

Lesson 38: John 6:22-71 (cont.)

1. Chapter 6 Theme: _____

2. The Bread of Life: First of Seven “I am the ...” Statements!

a. Review of the First Seven Characteristics:

- 1) v27: The first characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life is not of this world.
- 2) v28-29: The second characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life is belief in the Son of Man.
- 3) v30-33: The third characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life is God the Father.
- 4) v34-36: The fourth characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life is to prevent us from ever being spiritually or physically hungry or thirsty.
- 5) v37: The fifth characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life vary.
- 6) v38-40: The sixth characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life never expires.
- 7) v41-58: The seventh characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life are two fold.

b. Read v59: Characteristic #8

- 1) The eighth characteristic is that _____ of the bread of life is God’s house.
- 2) Jesus never had a problem finding a place of worship. Jesus set the example for us, and then He tells us to follow His example. Here's three reasons why we need to make it our habit to come to church:
 - a) Read Hebrews 10:24-25:
 - 1- The verb in the phrase “And let us consider” at the beginning of verse 24 is a hortatory subjunctive, which means that it is serving as a first person imperative. In other words, this is a _____ from God.
 - 2- The verb in the phrase “not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together” at the beginning of verse 25 is a present tense participle, which expresses

_____ or _____ action. It is functioning as an adverbial participle of manner, which means its function is to show the manner in which the action of the main verb (i.e. "And let us consider") takes place. In other words, this participle serves to answer _____ we are to comply with the command to "consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works," and that is by making it our _____ to come to _____.

3- The Greek word translated as "forsaking" in the phrase "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together" is the same word used in Ps 22:1 in the Septuagint (the Greek translation of the OT) and by Jesus in Matt 27:46. How does this apply to Jesus when we do not habitually come to church?

b) The local church serves three critical roles in the spiritual development of Christians:

1- The church serves as the Lord's _____ - read 1 Peter 2:2.

2- The church also serves as the Lord's _____ where young Christians _____ and are _____ from the _____ to the strong _____ - read Hebrews 5:12-14. The Christian _____ process involves:

a- _____.

b- _____ in our _____ of God's word.

c- _____ in its _____ to discern good and evil.

3- The church also serves as the Lord's _____ - read 2 Timothy 3:16, where God's people come for:

a- Doctrine = What's _____.

b- Reproof = What's _____.

c- Correction = Making what's _____, _____.

d- Instruction = Keeping what's _____, _____.

c) Read Matthew 18:20 – Is not this gathering together in His name what we call the church? If you _____ someone then you will find a way to spend time with that person.

3) The presence of bread in God's house is not something new:

- a) *Read* Exodus 25:23-30 and Leviticus 24:5-9.
- b) The twelve loaves represented the _____ of _____ and were symbolic of their _____ to the Lord.
- c) Just as the New Testament Lamb of God replaced the Old Testament Passover lamb, the New Testament _____ replaced the Old Testament _____.
- 1- The twelve loaves have been replaced by _____, which is no longer limited only to the nation of _____, but is now available to all _____ and _____ – *read* Romans 11:11.
- 2- Like the shewbread of old, the bread of life is now _____ in the presence of the Father – *read* Hebrews 10:12-13.
- 3. Homework:** Study John 6:60-71 and identify the last two characteristics of the Bread of Life.