

Seeking That Which Lasts

John 6:25-51

In an age of information overload ... the last thing any of us needs is more information about God. We need the practice of incarnation, by which God saves the lives of those whose intellectual assent has turned them dry as dust, who have run frighteningly low on the Bread of Life, who are dying to know more God in their bodies. Not more about God. More God.

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A problem: looking for the wrong thing (John 6 25-31)

It's easy to see the miracle but miss the sign

In Jesus' thinking, bread never lasted, and water always needed to be resupplied (John 4)

They didn't need to understand the concept of bread, they just needed to eat it!

His challenge: look for the right thing (John 6:27)

For us, food that spoils defines success by the wrong standards.

Food that spoils defines success by incomplete standards.

The real "work" that God calls us to:

The three pillars of belief: acknowledging, receiving (embracing), committing.

Our objection: when we refuse to see (John 6:41-51)

The problem isn't a lack of information, it's a lack of faith.

Many will settle for scraps, when they could have the whole loaf.