

Title: Believing the WORD

Text: John 6: 25 - 69

Introduction:

The Gospel According to John has an emphasis on the undeniability of Jesus Christ as the Son of God. The equilivation between Jesus Christ and God is displayed by a theme of the power of the WORD.

1. The WORD demonstrated in the Gospel of John
 - Jn 1:1-5,14,9 a) Jesus is declared to be The Word in the opening sentences of the book. He lighteth every man that enters the world
 - Jn 2:7,8 b) In His first miracle
 - Jn 3:19-21 c) In the rejection by men
 - Jn 4:50 d) In the healing of the Nobleman's Son
 - Jn 5:8 e) In the healing of the impotent man
 - Jn 5:24-29 f) In his warning to the Jews
 - Jn 5:36-38 & 8:18 g) That HE is his own witness
 - Jn 5:46-47 h) By the New AND Old Testaments
 - Jn 8:31-32 i) In that the Word is Truth
 - Jn 11:43 j) In Raising Lazarus

2. False Followers – Using Jesus' power to receive physical fulfillment
 - Js. 4:2-3 a) They wanted bread – They're not there for the miracles, just the food.
 - Jn 6:26 b) We also want things
 - Eph.6:1-3 1. Living Long
 - Jn 15:7,16 2. Living Luxuriously
 - Jn 6:63 c) His Disciples eventually left him.
 - Jn 6:68 1. He reveals Himself as The Word
 2. Some stay because he is The Word

Application:

What is the most simple spiritual work that is the most difficult?

Jn 6:27
Jn 6:29

Ex. 16:15
Ex. 16:31, Num.
11:18

Ps 78:24,25
Duet. 8:3
Jn 6:35,46-51

3. The Bread of Life

- a) Intentionally guides physical ideas and conversations to be spiritually focused.
- b) The assignment Jesus gave was a spiritual one
- c) Manna
 1. Called “whatness” because they didn’t know what it was.
 2. It was like coriander seed, was pearlish white, tasted like wafers made with honey, and like fresh oil. It was called the corn of heaven.
 3. It was angels food
 4. It sustained the Isrealites in the wilderness for 40 years
 5. It was intended to teach the Isrealites a special truth (Duet. 8:3)
- d) An offer of Eternal Life – Jesus said “I am that bread of life”

Application:

Do you intentionally look for opportunities to have spiritual conversations with those around you?