

Flesh and Blood

John 6:53-71

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The figures of _____ in this passage are perhaps the most challenging and _____ figures Jesus used. Examples of _____ are that some unbelievers in the past have accused Christians of being _____, while some have made it into a _____, believing that no one can be saved who doesn't partake. Jesus was speaking of _____ eating and drinking, which should have been clearly understood.

A. The Context from Jewish _____

1. _____ was necessary.
 - a. Death for sin was _____.
 - b. The _____ of the flesh is in the blood. (Lev. 17:11)
 - c. _____ was not to be eaten. (Lev. 17:10)
2. The sacrificial _____ of animal sacrifices
 - a. Innocent victim as a _____
 - b. _____ of the worshipper with the substitute

B. The Illustration

1. The Greek word for _____ is "sarx".
 - a. The material side of _____, the body as differentiated from the spirit
 - b. Used in a theological way by the _____
 - c. "The _____ was made flesh." (John 1:14)
2. Blood is the _____ of the flesh.
 - a. It is also _____ on this level.
 - b. The separation of flesh from blood _____ death.

3. It is the _____ that quickeneth (makes alive).
 - a. Jesus was referring to the whole fact of His _____.
 - b. The "bread" that will meet their hunger and _____ their need
 - c. His shed blood pictured life _____ through death.

C. The Application

1. Spiritual life is _____ from physical life.
 - a. Religious activities void of the spirit are _____.
 - b. _____-life has no place in the Spirit filled life.
2. Spiritual life can only come by Christ's atoning _____
 - a. His flesh and blood could _____ available through death.
 - b. Faith in Jesus as the only sacrifice is _____ to cover sin.
3. Spiritual life can only be received by a _____ decision of faith.
 - a. Eating and drinking are acts that are definite and _____.
 - b. We don't wait until we understand _____ before we eat.
 - c. Just being in the _____ of Christ and hearing His instruction is _____ enough. (Judas)
4. Spiritual life is sustained by Christ's _____ presence.