

The Work that God Requires

- THE SPIRITUAL RESIDES IN THE MATERIAL
- The lesson begins with people who are seeking Jesus. Throngs – a myriad – of people stepping over and around each other to get to Jesus, to hear him, to witness his miracles of healing and wondrous signs
- Jesus meets our SPIRITUAL hunger with compassion and revelation
- Because the spiritual is found in the material, we often refocus on the material and miss the spiritual

The people in the crowd missed the point of the feeding miracle. So often we get distracted by the material and miss the spiritual.

What is Jesus trying to teach us?

1. Your motivation for seeking Jesus and experiencing him in your life should be getting what endures for eternity.
2. How is God providing for you eternal life? What is the sign in Jesus providing the bread.
 - a. I am the New Passover
 - b. I am the new bread come from heaven
 - c. God provides this bread extravagantly to all who seek him
 - d. This bread doesn't spoil; it lasts forever.
 - e. The one little serving of bread more than enough to satisfy the spiritual hunger and needs of every person
 - f. Everyone is satisfied by the bread; no one leaves wanting more or wanting anything else.
3. Most of us work hard to have the things we need to live and to enjoy life. Work is a good and rewarding activity of life.
4. Work just as hard for the bread that the Son of Man gives you. God gave Jesus the authority to offer us the bread that gives eternal life.
5. What is the work of God we must do to have this bread offered by Jesus - this bread that never spoils and never runs out – this bread that brings eternal life – satisfies our hunger in this life and secures our life in eternity?
6. Believe in the him!