

The **Good News** that John Wrote

***...that you may believe that
Jesus is the Christ, the Son of
God, and that believing you
may have life in his name.***

John 20.31

Life in the Spirit

Objectives of the Class

- To behold in our hearts the glory of Christ
- To participate more deeply in life in the Spirit
- To become more conformed to His image
- To pray for and encourage one another

Prayer Before Reading Scripture

Shine within our hearts, loving Master, the pure light of Your divine knowledge and open the eyes of our minds that we may comprehend the message of Your Gospel. Instill in us also reverence for Your blessed commandments, so that having conquered all sinful desires, we may pursue a spiritual life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing to You. For You, Christ our God, are the light of our souls and bodies, and to You we give glory together with Your Father who is without beginning and Your all holy, good, and life giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Watch
John 6.1-21

Study

John 6.1-21



**Feeding of
5000 occurred
near Bethsaida,
per St. Luke**

John 6.1-2

After this, Jesus went across Lake Galilee (or, Lake Tiberias, as it is also called). A large crowd followed him, because they had seen his miracles of healing the sick.

John 6.3-4

Jesus went up a hill and sat down with his disciples. The time for the Passover Festival was near.

John 6.5-6

Jesus looked around and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, so he asked Philip, “Where can we buy enough food to feed all these people?” (He said this to test Philip; actually he already knew what he would do.)

John 6.7-9

Philip answered, "For everyone to have even a little, it would take more than two hundred silver coins to buy enough bread." Another one of his disciples, Andrew, who was Simon Peter's brother, said, "There is a boy here who has five loaves of barley bread and two fish. But they will certainly not be enough for all these people."

John 6.10-11

“Make the people sit down,” Jesus told them. (There was a lot of grass there.) So all the people sat down; there were about five thousand men. Jesus took the bread, gave thanks to God, and distributed it to the people who were sitting there. He did the same with the fish, and they all had as much as they wanted.

John 6.12-13

When they were all full, he said to his disciples, “Gather the pieces left over; let us not waste a bit.” So they gathered them all and filled twelve baskets with the pieces left over from the five barley loaves which the people had eaten.

Remember:

Jewish Expectations about the Messiah

- Deut 18.15, 18 The prophet who would come = the Messiah
- Messiah = Christ = Anointed One
- In Jesus time, they expected the Christ to throw out the Romans and reestablish the sovereignty of the Jewish nation.
- Acts 1.6 Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

John 6.114-15

Seeing this miracle that Jesus had performed, the people there said, “Surely this is the Prophet who was to come into the world!” Jesus knew that they were about to come and seize him in order to make him king by force; so he went off again to the hills by himself.

John 6.16-18

When evening came, Jesus' disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and went back across the lake toward Capernaum. Night came on, and Jesus still had not come to them. By then a strong wind was blowing and stirring up the water.

John 6.19-21

The disciples had rowed about three or four miles when they saw Jesus walking on the water, coming near the boat, and they were terrified. “Don’t be afraid,” Jesus told them, “it is I!” Then they willingly took him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached land at the place they were heading for.

Questions?
Comments?

No Bible Study next Sunday (Pascha)

Prayer for Protection

O God Almighty, Lord of heaven and earth, and of all creation visible and invisible, in Your ineffable goodness, look down upon us, Your people gathered in Your Holy Name. Be our helper and defender in this day of affliction. You know our weakness. You hear our cry in repentance and contrition of heart. O Lord who loves mankind, deliver us from the impending threat of the Coronavirus. Send Your angel to watch over us and protect us. Grant health and recovery to those suffering from this virus. Guide the hands of physicians and nurses, and preserve those who are healthy that we may continue to serve our suffering brothers and sisters in peace, that together we may glorify thy most honorable and majestic name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.