



JOHN 6:1-15

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# PARALLELS BETWEEN JOHN 4 AND JOHN 6

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Living Water - 10	Living Bread – 35
Whoever drinks this water will thirst again – 13	Do not work for the food that perishes – vs. 27
Whoever drinks this water will never thirst again – 14	Whoever comes to Me shall not hunger – 35
This water becomes eternal life - 14	Those who eat this bread will not die - 50
I will give this water – 14	Son of Man give to you – 27
Give me this water – 15	Give us this bread – 34
Many believed - 39	Many departed - 66



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- “I AM the living bread” – vss. 35-40
- The Jews grumbled – vss. 41-42
- I AM the Bread of Life; the life of the world is My flesh – vs. 43-51
- “Eat My flesh, drink My Blood” – vss. 52-59
- This is a difficult saying – vs. 60
- Does this offend you? – vs. 61-66



# IS *THIS BREAD* THE LORD'S SUPPER?

- The Jews were obsessing with **literal bread** – vs. 26
- Jesus *shifted the focus* to the “Bread of Heaven”; it was **not literal bread** – vs. 27
- Do not work for the food *that perishes* – vs. 27
- This bread *came down from heaven* – vs. 33
- We **literally** eat the Lord's Supper
- The *Lord's Supper* is not the **literal flesh of Jesus**
- The bread of the Lord's supper will perish – vs. 27
- The *cup* is not the **literal blood of Jesus**
- Do not shift the focus **back** to literal bread

# WHAT IS THE BREAD OF LIFE?

- It endures to eternal life – vs. 27
  - The Son of Man
  - The Father gives Him down from Heaven – vs. 32
  - He who comes down from Heaven – vs. 31
  - **I am the bread of life** – vs. 33
  - You have seen me, and yet do not believe – vs. 36
  - I have come down from Heaven – vs. 37
  - Everyone who loves His Father who sent Him should have Him, and will have Him, and will be with Him forever – vs. 39
  - It is written in the prophets, 'And they will be taught by God' – vs. 42
  - **I am the bread of life** – vs. 48
  - This bread came down from heaven – vs. 50
  - This is the bread that came down from heaven – vs. 58
- Compiling all these passages together, we can conclude the “Bread of Life” is the word of God, the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- We eat His flesh and drink His blood when we study His word and assimilate His teachings and life.



