

John 6 — Bread and Living Water

John 6:35 & 48–51 (with 4:13–14) · For posting on YouTube & Facebook. Use the overview for the description; add the prompt and links wherever they fit.

VIDEO OVERVIEW (post-ready)

In John 6, Jesus makes the boldest of claims in the plainest of images: "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst." Watch what He does in that one sentence — He reaches back to His conversation with the woman at the well in John 4, where He offered "living water," and pulls hunger and thirst together into a single promise. Bread and water are the two things a body cannot live without, and Jesus says He is both. Today's reading sets that claim against Israel's wilderness, where God gave manna to eat and water from the rock to drink — and where, as Jesus reminds them, "your fathers ate the manna... and they died." The bread that lasts and the water that finally satisfies turn out not to be something He hands us, but the Person He is.

GO DEEPER — STUDY PROMPT FOR VIEWERS

Put **John 4:13–14** and **John 6:49–51** side by side. Underline every promise about thirst in the one and hunger in the other, and mark how each says the ordinary provision runs out but what Jesus gives lasts forever. Then read **Isaiah 55:1–2** and ask two questions: who is being invited, and what does it cost?

KEY PASSAGES REFERENCED

Elsewhere in John: 4:10–14 · 6:35 · 7:37–39 · 19:34

Other Gospels: Matthew 5:6

Rest of Scripture: Isaiah 55:1–2 · 1 Corinthians 10:3–4 · Exodus 16 · Revelation 7:16–17

RESOURCES & FURTHER READING

Jesus Came Not to Give Bread but to Be Bread

John Piper — Desiring God

<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/jesus-came-not-to-give-bread-but-to-be-bread>

On John 6 — Jesus came to be our bread and our treasure, not merely to hand out provisions.

You Will Never Be Thirsty Again

Desiring God

<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/you-will-never-be-thirsty-again>

On John 4 — the living water Jesus offers the woman at the well, and the thirst only He satisfies.

The Great Invitation: Come! Drink! Eat! Live!

John Piper — Desiring God

<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/the-great-invitation-come-drink-eat-live>

On Isaiah 55 — the free invitation to the thirsty and the hungry that ties the water and the bread together.