

Children and family talk for 1st August 2021

Hello everyone, it's good to have you with me as we explore more of the Bible together and praise God. Let's start by talking to God:

Dear wonderful God, who gives us everything we need every day, we want to spend this time with you. We want to learn about you God. Help us to listen and explore your word together. In your name Lord, we ask this, Amen.

Today we're going to look at what happened after Jesus had fed the 5,000 people and had slipped away into the hills by himself. His disciples had gone in a boat to look for him and found him walking on the water towards them. We start reading from the day after this happened. Our bible reading is from

John chapter 6 verses 24 to 35.

'So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and went across to Capernaum to look for him. They found him on the other side of the lake and asked, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, you want to be with me because I fed you, not because you understood the miraculous signs. But don't be so concerned about perishable things like food. Spend your energy seeking the eternal life that the Son of Man can give you. For God has given me the seal of his approval."

They replied, "We want to perform God's works too, what should we do?"

Jesus told them, "This is the only work God wants from you: Believe in the one God has sent."

They answered, "Show us a miraculous sign if you want us to believe in you. What can you do? After all, our ancestors ate manna while they journeyed through the wilderness! The Scriptures say, 'Moses gave them bread from heaven to eat,'"

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, Moses didn't give you bread from Heaven. My Father did. And now God offers you the true bread from Heaven. The true bread of God is the one who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

"Sir", they said, "give us that bread every day."

Jesus replied, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Now let's sing; **I the Lord of Sea and Sky**

I, The Lord Of Sea And Sky,
I Have Heard My People Cry.
All Who Dwell In Dark And Sin,
My Hand Will Save.
I Who Made The Stars Of Night,
I Will Make Their Darkness Bright.
Who Will Bear My Light To Them?
Whom Shall I Send?

Here I Am Lord, Is It I, Lord?
I Have Heard You Calling In The Night.
I Will Go Lord, If You Lead Me.
I Will Hold Your People In My Heart.

I, The Lord Of Snow And Rain,
I Have Borne My People's Pain.
I Have Wept For Love Of Them, They Turn Away.
I Will Break Their Hearts Of Stone,
Give Them Hearts For Love Alone.
I Will Speak My Word To Them
Whom Shall I Send?

Here I Am Lord, Is It I, Lord?
I Have Heard You Calling In The Night.
I Will Go Lord, If You Lead Me.
I Will Hold Your People In My Heart.

I, The Lord Of Wind And Flame
I Will Tend The Poor And Lame.
I Will Set A Feast For Them,
My Hand Will Save
Finest Bread I Will Provide,
Till Their Hearts Be Satisfied.
I Will Give My Life To Them,
Whom Shall I Send?

Here I Am Lord, Is It I, Lord?
I Have Heard You Calling In The Night.
I Will Go Lord, If You Lead Me.
I Will Hold Your People In My Heart.

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Let's talk about our Bible verses

Jesus had just performed a miracle, he had fed about 5,000 people by sharing out a little boy's lunch of fish and bread, and there had been 12 baskets of left overs! Wow, you'd have thought the people would have been amazed and believed in him. But here we see them asking for more. More food, more time with Jesus and more miracles. They still didn't believe and they wanted to be able to do the miracles themselves too.

If I was Jesus, I would have been really fed up, ahahaha, fed up, get it?!

Anyway, Jesus shows great patience with the people and teaches them about the bread from heaven and how if they believe in him, they will always have what they need. Jesus says he is the bread of life, and we will never be thirsty again if we believe in him. Jesus is talking about the fact that eating and drinking keeps us alive, and believing in Jesus keeps us alive in Jesus in a spiritual way. Just as you need food to stay alive, you need to have a good relationship with Jesus Christ and keep coming back to Jesus daily to keep your relationship right.

I guess it's like any friendship, if you don't keep in touch then its harder to keep the relationship going.

Let's get in touch with God now:

Dear Lord Jesus, you are such a wonderful friend to have, always there when we need you and always listening to us, even when we are moaning.

Thankyou for being such a great friend. We are sorry when we are not such a good friend back. When we forget you are there, or when we ignore you. Sometimes we are constantly asking for things and never

giving anything back. Please forgive us. We want to have a good relationship with you Lord. We invite you back into our lives and we will try to do better.

In your name Lord Jesus, Amen.

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May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (Hold out hands as if expecting a present)

And the love of God (Put your hands on your heart)

And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit (Hold hands)

Be with us all now and for ever. Amen! (raise hands together on the Amen)

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