

Not a Fan—Is Jesus Enough?

Study Questions

John 6:5-9, 25-27, 35-40, 60, 66-69; Matthew 7:13-14

Warm-up

1) What is something simple that you use every day, but that you would have a difficult time going without?

A little deeper

2) [John 6:5-9, 25-27] Jesus multiplied 5 loaves and 2 fish to feed a multitude, and then this multitude followed Him to see what other wonders He might perform. **What are some other ways people can get overly focused on the things God does (or doesn't do) for them, rather than focusing on God Himself? What are some ways to focus on God?**

3) [John 6:35-40] What does Jesus mean when He says that He is the "bread of life"? What does he mean when He says that **whoever comes to Him will never go hungry or thirsty?**

4) [John 6:60 and 66-69] Jesus didn't want fans, so He challenged the crowds that were following Him. **If Jesus didn't want a fan club, or to be popular with the people, what was He really looking for?** (Don't just answer "followers")

5) [Matthew 7:13-14] Consider for a moment that you are a sheep near wilderness that is known to have wolves—what would a wide road through the wilderness mean to you versus a narrow gate to a protected pasture?

How does this relate to a relationship with Jesus?

Bringing it home

6) What are some ways you've seen God act through little things (like a couple of fish and some bread offered by a child) to make a big difference in someone's life?

7) Is there an area in your life where you feel "hungry" or "thirsty" for something, even if you're not quite sure what it is? Consider bringing it to God in prayer together, asking Jesus to come in and satisfy that hunger or thirst.

8) This sermon series has been asking the question, "Are you a fan or a follower?" Followers of Jesus have been described as being "all-in", rather than just cheering from the sidelines. **Are there parts of you that you feel like you might be holding back? If so, describe what it might look like to be "all-in" in that part of your life. What seems appealing about being "all-in", and what seems scary? Consider praying for whatever it is you need to be more "all-in" with Jesus.**