

Sermon Discussion Guide



Signs: The True Bread John 6:1-14, 27-35 Ray Cortese, March 10 & 11, 2018



Step 1: Reflect on the Text

Why do we do this first? We always want to start with the Bible. The goal is to meditate on the Word and read it with an ear sensitive to the Holy Spirit's promptings. Look for words or phrases that stand out through logic, repetition, layout, etc.

Read the sermon scripture(s) listed above. What stood out to you? What do you find interesting and/or important? What is challenging or causes you to have questions?

Step 2: Reflect on the Sermon

INTRODUCTION

- Two questions, one lighthearted and one serious. What is your favorite kind of bread? How are you feeling today: sad, empty bored, dissatisfied, happy, content?
- 2 What was your one main/big takeaway from the sermon? How would you summarize the main theme of the sermon in one phrase or sentence?

THE TRUE BREAD: <u>SUFFICIENCY</u>

- 3 How does the situation in John 6 display God's sufficiency in the midst of the people's insufficiency?
- 4 Where in your life have you been forced to say, "I can't fix it; I don't have what it takes"? Why is that actually a good position to be in?
- A little bit of success can falsely make you feel confident about all of life. Have you ever been guilty of this?

THE TRUE BREAD: <u>SATISFACTION</u>

- 6 Ray mentioned two greek words that are translated "life" in the New Testament: *bios* and *zoe*. What is the difference between them?
- 7 Do you feel like you have fullness and richness of life? How is it that oftentimes the most successful people are also the most spiritually famished?

THE TRUE BREAD: SUPPLY

- 8 In your own words, how do you get the bread that Jesus offers?
- 9 What is the function of bread in the Bible? How is Jesus the true bread from heaven?

Step 3: Final Reflections

- How has your understanding, appreciation, and love for Jesus and the gospel grown as a result of this study?
- ♥ In what areas of faith and practice are you feeling convicted by the Holy Spirit to act as a result of this study?