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John 6:35-40 (NIV)

Hunger And Thirst For You

That is what I had within me. **What did you have within you?** I had a hunger and thirst within me. **Tell me about that.** I wanted something more. I wanted something else. I wanted something far different. I felt empty without hope in the world. I felt lost without any sense of purpose. There was this indescribable void within me that I could not identify. I know a few things for certain. **What's that?** I was not happy. I lacked direction. I was making stupid mistakes. I was living a sinful life that brought me pain and suffering. I felt bruised and battered and broken. I was discouraged, defeated, and depressed. **What happened to you?** As if, you don't know. **I do know, but it is good for you to express what drew you to me.** Well, I had enough of my old life. I was ready to give up on being self-reliant, self-indulgent, and self-centered. So, I cried out to you. I asked for your help. I asked you to come into my life. I told you that I would leave my sinful life in the world to live the new life you wanted to give to me. I had no idea what that meant. But somehow, I knew that I wanted you. Somehow, I knew that the hunger and thirst in me was for you. Somehow, I knew that only you could fill the void of emptiness that was within me. On that day, when I cried out to you, you became my Savior and Lord. On that day, when I cried out to you, you forgave my sin and cleansed my unrighteousness. On that day, when I cried out to you, you filled me with your Spirit and gave me a completely new life to live with and for you. **So, would you say that I have feed your hunger and satisfied your thirst?** Yes, I would. But there is something else I know. **What's that?** I have a continual hunger and thirst for you that you keep on satisfying as I live out the life of salvation you have secured for me. My hunger and thirst for you and your feeding and satisfying me are both great gifts from you. **Yes, they are. Keep on coming to me and I will keep on feeding your hunger and satisfying your thirst.** Yes, I will. **That will be very good.**

Lord, I do believe and have come to you. You are my Savior and Lord. My eyes are intensely focused on you. Help me to live my life with and for you. Feed my hunger and satisfy my thirst for you. Help me to live the life of salvation you have secured for me. Amen

The Sacramental Life

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ESV

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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. But you haven't believed in me even though you have seen me. However, those the Father has given me will come to me, and I will never reject them. For I have come down from heaven to do the will of God who sent me, not to do my own will. And this is the will of God, that I should not lose even one of all those he has given me, but that I should raise them up at the last day. For it is my Father's will that all who see his Son and believe in him should have eternal life. I will raise them up at the last day."

NLT

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NKJV

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NRSV

John 6:35-40

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Jesus said, "I am the Bread of Life. The person who aligns with me hungers no more and thirsts no more, ever. I have told you this explicitly because even though you have seen me in action, you don't really believe me. Every person the Father gives me eventually comes running to me. And once that person is with me, I hold on and don't let go. I came down from heaven not to follow my own whim but to accomplish the will of the One who sent me. "This, in a nutshell, is that will: that everything handed over to me by the Father be completed—not a single detail missed—and at the wrap-up of time I have everything and everyone put together, upright and whole. This is what my Father wants: that anyone who sees the Son and trusts who he is and what he does and then aligns with him will enter *real* life, *eternal* life. My part is to put them on their feet alive and whole at the completion of time."

MSG

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Jesus replied, I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to Me will never be hungry, and he who believes in *and* cleaves to *and* trusts in *and* relies on Me will never thirst any more (at any time). But [as] I told you, although you have seen Me, still you do not believe *and* trust *and* have faith. All whom My Father gives (entrusts) to Me will come to Me; and the one who comes to Me I will most certainly not cast out [I will never, no never, reject one of them who comes to Me]. For I have come down from heaven not to do My own will *and* purpose but to do the will *and* purpose of Him Who sent Me. And this is the will of Him Who sent Me, that I should not lose any of all that He has given Me, but that I should give new life *and* raise [them all] up at the last day. For this is My Father's will *and* His purpose, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in *and* cleaves to *and* trusts in *and* relies on Him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up [from the dead] at the last day.

AMP

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Jesus replied, "I am the Bread of Life. No one coming to me will ever be hungry again. Those believing in me will never thirst. But the trouble is, as I have told you before, you haven't believed even though you have seen me. But some will come to me—those the Father has given me—and I will never, never reject them. For I have come here from heaven to do the will of God who sent me, not to have my own way. And this is the will of God, that I should not lose even one of all those he has given me, but that I should raise them to eternal life at the Last Day. For it is my Father's will that everyone who sees his Son and believes on him should have eternal life—that I should raise him at the Last Day."

TLB

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NASB

John 6:35-40

The Sacramental Life

I Am The Bread That Gives Life

Then Jesus said, "I am the bread that gives life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But as I told you before, you have seen me and still don't believe. The Father gives me my people. Every one of them will come to me, and I will always accept them. I came down from heaven to do what God wants me to do, not what I want to do. Here is what the One who sent me wants me to do: I must not lose even one whom God gave me, but I must raise them all on the last day. Those who see the Son and believe in him have eternal life, and I will raise them on the last day. This is what my Father wants."

NCV

John 6:35-40

I Am The Bread Of Life

Year ____ Week ____ Day ____ Date ____

The Sacramental Life – John 6:35-40

In Context: Read John 6

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: (What is God speaking to your heart?)

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Considering The Words: (What words speak to your heart?)

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Praying The Scripture: (What prayer from your heart will you write?)

Lord, I do believe and have come to you. You are my Savior and Lord. My eyes are intensely focused on you. Help me to live my life with and for you. Feed my hunger and satisfy my thirst for you. Help me to live the life of salvation you have secured for me. Amen

What It Means: (What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

What kind of hunger and thirst caused you to come to Christ to receive Him as your Savior and Lord?

How has Christ been feeding your hunger and satisfying your thirst as you live your life with and for Him?

How has Christ filled the void of emptiness you once had in your life before you came to Him?

How has Christ filled your life with hope and joy and meaning and purpose as you have followed Him?

How is your life now completely different since Christ has become your Savior and Lord?

Why can you be sure that your salvation and eternal life is being kept and guarded in heaven for you?

How is keeping your heart and mind and eyes focused on Christ guiding every step you take in life?

Living It Out: (What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Keeping on coming to Christ, living your life with and for Him, so He can feed your hunger and satisfy your thirst.

Seeing It Happen: (What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that the Lord will feed your hunger and satisfy your thirst as you come to Him.

Get Ready To Share: (What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how the Lord has been feeding your hunger and satisfying your thirst.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you come to Jesus Christ, the bread of life, and allow Him to feed your hunger and satisfy your thirst.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I have come, and I do believe in you and am thankful to receive the eternal life I have in you.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how will you feed my hunger and satisfy my thirst as I live my life with and for you today?
