

“I AM” the Bread

John 6:32-59

Intro:

- “I AM” – Words that changed the world forever
 - Proclaimed a new revelation of God
 - Proclaimed a new response to God
 - Proclaimed a new relationship with God
- This first usage is set in a dynamic time:
 - Dual miracles of feeding the 5000 & walking on water
 - People are seeking “their kind” of king
 - Come Down, 7x – 33,38,41,42,50,51,58 – key thought
 - Do we want “stuff” from here or there???

I. The Revealed Bread vv. 32-40

- My Father gives TRUE BREAD (32)
- Gives life to THE WORLD (33)
- I AM the Bread of Life (35)
 - “Comes to me” – for bread; for peace in the storm
 - Shall not hunger, shall not thirst
- What the Father gives, come, not cast out (37)
 - His Will be done (38) – if Jesus, what of us?
 - Nothing lost, raised up at the last day
 - Behold, believe in the Son – keep on having life

II. The Revealed Response vv. 41-51

- Jews Grumble – does not meet their ideas!
 - We know his mother and father... did they?
 - How could He come down??
- My Father draws – *helkuo*, (see 12:32)
 - Father initiated “the draw”, Jesus completes it
 - Hear and learn of Father? Come to Jesus!
- The One who has seen Father (46)
 - I am the Bread of Life – repeated
 - They ate, and DIED! Eat and live forever!
 - The “flesh” for the world...

III. The Revealed Relationship vv. 52-59

- Arguing over “methods” ...
- Eat & Drink – aorist, one time event (53)
 - Jesus makes it harder by adding the blood!
- Eat & Drink – present, continual action in Him
 - Raised up on the last day... do it till then!!
- The key – “abides in Me” *meno*, pres. act.
- The Bread came down to be in us!
- This is what life is, Jesus inside us... life!
- Do we have problems with this??? (60!)

Follow Thru:

- What about Jesus “inside you” is a problem?
- Are you willing to let Jesus be Lord HIS WAY?
- What about “doing the Father’s will” scares you?
- If Jesus is the “come down” one, are you willing to step up and be HIS?
- Vs. 56 - it goes both ways! Abide in Him and ...
- What will life be like in this new relationship?