

Sermon notes for a Passage from the Book of John

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“My message today comes from the book of John. I would like to recite one of my favorite passages of scripture: John 6:25-70. While I am reciting it, I want all of you to contemplate who Jesus is to you.

Quote/Perform John 6:25-70

Brothers and Sisters, in this passage of scripture, Jesus is identified by the Jews and Disciples as: Rabbi, Lord, the Son of Joseph and Mary, a man/this man, Christ, and the Son of the living God. He is, was, and personifies all of those roles—He is every one of those identities. I know He came to earth as a man, was the chosen Christ, and is the son of the living God who gave His life for me and the entire world.

I hope that for all of us, Jesus is our living bread by whom we will never go hungry or thirst. As we come unto Him, follow Him, and give our life to Him, we can, as He says, dwell in Him as He dwells in us.

I testify that Jesus is the bread that came down from heaven, who as we eat, drink, and consume Him, His teachings, His character, and His gospel, we will become more like Him thereby enjoying eternal life, everlasting life, and a life that never dies. May we always believe on Him, never betray Him, never go away from Him, and always come back to Him, in the name of Jesus Christ amen.”

Comments by the author:

The uniqueness of this sermon style that I’ve developed and grown into is in my performance of this very powerful and long and bookended scripture passage—the power comes from my complete and dramatic memorization and recitation of the scripture—once I’ve performed it, it needs little commentary—a simple and powerful testimony of the main points is sufficient to bring closure to the sermon for the power is in the hearing of the word itself—unadulterated by human interpretation and pontification. Quote the scripture, testify of the scripture, sit down.