

“By Means of God, Part 1”
John 6:41-52

I. The Jews responded wrongly to Jesus’ teachings (vs. 41-42).

1. The Jews responded to Jesus’ teachings by grumbling.
2. The Jews based their conclusions on fleshly reasoning.

II. Jesus countered that it is only by the work of God that one can properly understand (vs. 43-46).

1. Jesus told the Jews to stop grumbling.
2. Jesus told the Jews that one cannot come to the Father by means of the flesh.
3. Jesus told the Jews Jesus states that no one has ever seen God except the One who is from God.

(Isaiah 54:13; John 6:63-65; 1 Corinthians 2:14; 1 Timothy 6:16; 1 John 5:9-10)

II. Jesus explains, once again, that He is the bread of life (vs. 47-51).

1. Those who believe the Son, have eternal life.
2. Those who do not obey the Son, will not have eternal life.

(John 3:36; 6:30-34; 1 John 5:11-12)

Scripture References and Notes

1 Corinthians 2:14

But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.

John 6:63-65

⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who it was that would betray Him. ⁶⁵ And He was saying, “For this reason I have said to you, that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted him from the Father.”

Isaiah 54:13

“All your sons will be taught of the LORD; And the well-being of your sons will be great.

1 Timothy 6:16

...who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him *be* honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

1 John 5:9-10

⁹ If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater; for the testimony of God is this, that He has testified concerning His Son.

¹⁰ The one who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself; the one who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has given concerning His Son.

John 6:30-34

³⁰ So they said to Him, “What then do You do for a sign, so that we may see, and believe You? What work do You perform? ³¹ Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘HE GAVE THEM BREAD OUT OF HEAVEN TO EAT.’” ³² Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread out of heaven, but it is My Father who gives you the true bread out of heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down out of heaven, and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ Then they said to Him, “Lord, always give us this bread.”

John 3:36

He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”

1 John 5:11-12

¹¹ And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹² He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life.