

EVENING WORSHIP

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Title: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life"

Text: John 6

(I) THE MIGHTY MIRACLES OF JESUS

(John's perspective)

1. The Turning of Water to Wine (John 2)

- a) The manifestation of Jesus
- b) The manifestation of His glory

*"This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him." **John 2:11***

2. The healing of the paralytic man (John 5)

- a) The Four-fold Witness
 - i) John the Baptist
 - ii) The works of Jesus
 - iii) God the Father
 - iv) The Scriptures
- b) The Identity of Jesus confirmed
 - i) The Son of God
 - ii) The Judge
 - iii) The Giver of Eternal Life

3. The Feeding of the Five Thousand (John 6)

- a) Facts
 - i) Feeding 5000 men (**John 6:10**)
 - ii) With five barley loaves and two small fish (**John 6:9**)
 - iii) Leftovers – 12 baskets (**John 6:13**)
- b) Significance
 - i) To believe in Him whom God had sent (**John 6:29**)
 - ii) To believe in Jesus as the Bread of Life (**John 6:35, 48**)
 - iii) To believe in Jesus as the Bread from Heaven (**John 6:41**)

(II) DEEPER PROBLEMS WITH BELIEVING

1. The problem of being focused on the things of this world

"...you seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled." **John 6:26**

2. The problem of a complaining spirit

"The Jews then complained about Him..." **John 6:41**

3. The problem of spiritual incomprehension

"...This is a hard saying; who can understand it?" **John 6:60 (John 6:52)**

4. The problem of giving up

"From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more." **John 6:66**

(III) AN EXAMPLE OF STEADFASTNESS IN FAITH

"But Simon Peter answered Him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Also we have come to believe that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'" **John 6:68-69**

1. A steadfast comprehension

To whom shall we go (as an alternative)

There is None like Jesus!

"To whom shall we go?"

2. A steadfast conclusion

Words of Eternal Life

"You have the words of eternal life"

3. A steadfast decision

Faith in Christ Jesus

"...we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ..." **John 6:69**