FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE
JOHN 5-6



MONDAY

Read John 5:1-18

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- What was Jesus' response to the crowd's accusation?
- Were the people right to think Jesus was "making himself equal with God" (vs. 18)?

God never ceases to work; but as it is the property of fire to burn, and of snow to cool, so of God to work. - Philo

Kids Discussion Questions

- Why were the crowds angry with Jesus?
- Jesus said that his father is always working (vs. 17). What has he been doing?

Sing
Solid Rock
Edward Mote

Pray

For the Lord to speak to you during your time in the Gospel of John this week.

SOLID ROCK - EDWARD MOTE

1

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus Christ, my righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Chorus:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

2

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

3

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

4

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found;
In Him, my righteousness, alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

TUESDAY

Read John 5:19-47

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- If someone does not honor God's Son, can they honor God the Father?
- From verse 39, what had the people missed in their study of the Scriptures?

They read it not to search for God but to find arguments to support their own positions. They did not really love God; they loved their own ideas about him.

- William Barclay on verse 39

Kids Discussion Questions

- What does Jesus mean when he says "eternal life"?
- According to verse 24, how can we find eternal life?
- From verse 39, what did the people miss as they read their Bibles?

Sing

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus Aurelius C. Prudentius

Pray

For the widows and widowers of Calvary.

O THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS - AURELIUS C. PRUDENTIUS

VERSE 1

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!

Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free, rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.

Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love; leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

VERSE 2

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!

Spread his praise from shore to shore;
how he loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how he watches o'er his loved ones,
died to call them all his own;
how for them he intercedes,
watches o'er them from the throne.

VERSE 3

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to thee.

WEDNESDAY

Read John 6:1-15

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- What does verse 6 communicate about Jesus?
- From verse 15, why would Jesus not want the crowd to make him their king?

"As much as they would." Note those words, for they are the rule at Christ's feasts. Of earthly things, he gives us as much as we need; and of heavenly things, as much as we would! "Open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it." "According to your faith be it unto you."

- C.H. Spurgeon on verse 11

Kids Discussion Questions

- Why was the large crowd following Jesus?
- John calls the miracle in this passage a "sign" (vs. 13). What was it a sign of?
- From verse 15, why would Jesus not want the crowd to make him their king?

Sing

Great is Thy Faithfulness
Thomas Chisholm

Pray

Pick a family from Calvary to pray for.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS -THOMAS CHISHOLM

1

"Great is Thy faithfulness," O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Chorus:

"Great is Thy faithfulness!" "Great is Thy faithfulness!"

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—

"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!

2

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

THURSDAY

Read John 6:16-21

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What stands out to you about this passage?
- Why would the sight of Jesus walking on the sea cause the disciples to fear?
- Why do you think this event has become so iconic, given the many miracles recorded in the New Testament?

In Scripture, Yahweh, the one, true Lord of all, is described as walking upon the water (Ps. 77:16–20; Hab. 3:15).

- R.C. Sproul

Kids Discussion Questions

- Why do you think the disciples were afraid to see Jesus walking on the water.
- What would you have thought if you were there to see it?

Sing

My Jesus, I Love Thee William R. Featherston

Pray

For the missionaries Calvary helps to support.

MY JESUS, I LOVE THEE - WILLIAM R. FEATHERSTON

- 1. My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; for thee all the follies of sin I resign; my gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.
- 2. I love thee because thou hast first loved me and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree; I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.
- 3. I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death, and praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath, and say when the deathdew lies cold on my brow:

 If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.
 - 4. In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright; I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow: If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

FRIDAY

Read John 6:22-71

Discuss

Adult and Student Discussion Questions

- What has stood out to you the most from our time in John's gospel this week?
- What is the "food that endures to eternal life" that Jesus speaks of in verse 27?
- What is Peter's reason for staying as many turned back from following Jesus?

This is the first, by the way, of 7 "I AMs" in the Gospel of John, in which our Lord takes the tetragrammaton YHWH, the verb "to be" in Hebrew, the name of God who is the I AM that I AM, and applies it to Himself and adds a metaphor. "I am the Bread of life. I am the Good Shepherd. I am the Vine. I am the Way. I am the Truth. I am the Life. I am the Resurrection and the Life."

- John MacArthur on verse 35

Kids Discussion Questions

- What is one thing that has stood out to you during our time in John's Gospel this week?
- What is Peter's reason for staying as many turned back from following Jesus? (Hint: read verses 67-69)

Sing

Doxology Thomas Ken

Pray

For the children of Calvary to come to know saving faith in Christ.

DOXOLOGY - THOMAS KEN

1

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

2

Praise God the Father who's the source; Praise God the Son who is the course; Praise God the Spirit who's the flow; Praise God, our portion here below!