



John 6:35-71 Small Group Questions

- Read John 6:35-71 together as a group. Wesley began with the idea of “truth bombs.” When have you witnessed or been a part of a truth bomb? What are some truth bombs that you see in this passage?
- In verse 35, what do you think Jesus means when He says, “I am the bread of life”? How do the subsequent verses shed light on the meaning of this declaration?
 - What is it that the Father has given the Son in verse 39? What does this tell us about the nature of salvation and grace?
 - What does verse 40 tell us about the nature of salvation? Why do you think that Jesus specifies that He will raise His followers up on the last day?
- In verse 41, what does the crowd do in response?
 - Why is grumbling their first reaction to His words?
 - What causes them to grumble?
 - In what ways might grumbling keep us from hearing what God is saying to us, or seeing what He is doing in our lives?
 - What are the differences between a heart that is prone to grumbling and a heart that honestly hears and listens to what Jesus is saying to them?

- Wesley said that the first bit of this passage shows that we all need God's grace. What are some of the ways that John demonstrates our need for God's grace in this passage?
 - What are some of the benefits that Jesus promises for those that eat of the bread of life?
 - How does the grace of God lead to eternal life?
 - Wesley said that one implication of the need for God's grace is humility: how does God's grace lead to humility?
 - What does humility mean? What does it look like to pursue humility?
 - How does a humble heart look and act different than a prideful heart?
 - Who is someone that you know that is humble? How do they demonstrate their humility?
 - Wesley said another implication of the need for God's grace is community. How does God's grace lead to close community?
 - How is a community centered on God's grace different than other kinds of community?
 - How does humility facilitate close community centered on the grace of God?
- Starting in verse 52, Jesus' words turn shocking. Why do you think that Jesus speaks so explicitly of eating his flesh and drinking his blood? Wesley noted that this is *not* about communion, so what is it about?
 - Why is Jesus not concerned about keeping a crowd or playing the popularity game?
 - Wesley said that these verses show that we receive life from his death. Where do you see that here?

- As Wesley said, Jesus seems to want our souls to feast on Him. What does this mean? What does it look like for us to feast on Jesus? How do you practice enjoying Him on a daily and weekly basis?
- Why do you think the disciples continue to follow Jesus after so many turn away? How might we continue to follow Jesus even in a time when so many others are turning away?