

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Do you find any of Jesus' teachings difficult to accept? Why?
- What kind of King is Jesus?
- Does anything about Jesus surprise you? Why?

Jesus' Hard Teachings

John 6

STORY POINT: MANY PEOPLE MISUNDERSTOOD JESUS' TEACHING.

A crowd of people went looking for Jesus. They found Jesus on the other side of the Sea of Galilee. "Teacher, when did You get here?" they asked Jesus.

Jesus answered, "Why are you looking for Me? Did you want to find Me because I can do miracles, or were you looking for Me because I gave you food? If you're seeking food, remember that food on earth will perish. Search for food that gives eternal life. The Son of Man will give it to you."

The people asked, "What does God want us to do?" Jesus said, "Believe in the One whom He has sent."

The people said, "Will You do another miracle?" Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. No one who comes to Me will ever be hungry, and no one who believes in Me will ever be thirsty again."

The Jews began complaining. "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" they asked. Jesus said again, "I am the bread of life. Unless you eat My flesh and drink My blood, you will not live forever."

When Jesus said this, many of His followers said, "This teaching is hard. Who can accept it?" Many of the people who had followed Jesus turned away from Him. Jesus asked His twelve disciples, "Do you want to go away too?"

Peter answered, "Lord, where would we go? We believe and know that You are the Holy One of God."

Christ Connection: Jesus wanted to do more than fill people's stomachs; He wanted to give them true life. Jesus' teachings were hard to understand. When Jesus talked about His flesh and blood, He was talking about His death and resurrection. When we trust in Jesus, He gives us the gift of eternal life.



FOLD

Finding Food

Circle the food from the key hidden in the picture.



Hard Teachings

Draw the emoji that best describes how you feel about each statement.



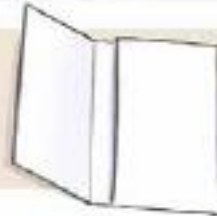
- Food on earth will not last forever.
- The Son of Man gives food that never goes bad.
 - Jesus came from heaven.
 - Jesus is the Holy One of God.

- Jesus said, "I am the bread of life."
- God wants people to believe in the One whom He has sent.
- Jesus said, "Unless you eat My flesh and drink My blood, you will not live forever."

Hard But Good

INSTRUCTIONS: Change one letter at a time to transform the word *hard* into the word *good*. Use the picture clues to help.

H A R D









G O O D



BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- Jesus said He is the bread of life and the true bread from heaven.
- Jesus said people must eat His flesh and drink His blood.
- Many people misunderstood Jesus' teaching.
- Though some disciples stopped following Jesus, Peter knew that He is the Messiah.

KEY PASSAGE: Colossians 1:13-14

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- How does God care for His creation? God loves and rules over His creation according to His perfect plan.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- What does it mean for Jesus to be the "bread of life"?
- What are some things that are hard to understand about the Bible?
- How can we grow in our understanding of God's Word?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Work with your kids to bake a loaf of bread. Talk to your kids about the ways Jesus sustains us and satisfies the spiritual hunger of our souls for God's truth.



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