

Sermon Notes-August 2, 2020

“Is This What It Means To Believe?”

John 6:25-35

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The man who came with an important question?

The crowd in John 6

- What the crowd means by “belief”
- What Jesus means by “belief”

Jesus’ reasons to believe

- John 6:27, 35, 37, 38, 39-40.

Jesus – “I am the bread of life”

- Max Lucado: “What bread is to hunger, Jesus is to the soul.” (*A Gentle Thunder*, 39)
- The first of seven “I am” sayings

The crowd knew “about” Jesus

- Mary’s son
- Rabbi
- Miracle worker
- Prophet

The real challenge: not believing **about** Jesus but believing **in** Jesus.

How can we identify those who really know Jesus?

- They trust Jesus because they know Jesus is with them
- J.I. Packer: “There is no peace like the peace of those whose minds are possessed with full assurance that they have known God, and God has known them.” (*Knowing God*, 31)

Do you **know** Jesus or just **know about** Jesus?

