

The Great Gift #2 Noah Largent 12/10/17 John 6:35 Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

1) A Mistake To Avoid.

Don't fall into the trap of thinking Jesus' power is available to fulfill your best ideas and desires.

Instead seek His best ideas and desires, allowing His power to work through you.

John 6:14-15 After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵ Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

2) A reminder about what is "real."

Jesus' miracles are hard evidence that His claims about being God are real.

Jesus' miracles are not a suspensions of reality but acts of restoration of reality.

<u>John 14:11</u> Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

<u>Luke 7:22</u> So he replied to the messengers, "Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised.

3) The Best Invitation EVER.

Jesus' invitation is a promise to give you "all" you need and leave you "satisfied" forever.

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Luke 9:17 "They all ate and were satisfied" (Mark 6:42; Matt. 14:20)

I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: "I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept his claim to be God." That is the one thing we must not say. **A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher.** He would either be a lunatic — on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg — or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. -C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*, pg. 54-56

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