

Sunday, March 28, 2010
“Believing for the Long Haul”
The Lenten Series



The Start

So this will be a very short study guide. I know Easter week is coming and most small groups will be at one of our mid week services. But I'll give you a taste of what this story in Jesus' life was all about, and how it fits into the theme of Palm Sunday. It was a day of great praise, followed 5 days later by shouts of “crucify Him”.



Time in the Word

Shortly after feeding the 5000, Jesus went through one of the truly sad days of His life. It was a day when folks were challenged to believe who He was. Many that day walked away—they loved the bread of earth, but not heaven.

Read John 6, then answer the following questions:

1. It all began so “well” (vs. 1-15)

- a. What is the reaction of the crowd after Jesus fed the 5000?
 - i. Why was it a problem for them to make Him King?
 - ii. They had concluded that He was the “Prophet” that the OT had promised, didn't they?
- b. What was Jesus' reaction to the attempted coronation? Why the rejection of this move?

2. The next day back home in Capernaum (vs. 25-69)

- a. How would you sum up what Jesus had to say to the folks back in His home town? What was the core of what He was teaching?
- b. How did they respond:
 - i. Vs. 30 _____
 - ii. Vs. 41-2 _____
 - iii. Vs. 52 _____
 - iv. Vs. 66 _____



A Time to Commit

No Christian I know wants to be the one who blooms for awhile and then falls away grumbling. We want to be like the apostles who said “Lord to whom shall we go?” Make it the prayer of your life to follow Him always, even to the end of the age.

