

## God the Father...the Gracious Giver

**John 6:25-40**

### Outline

**Introduction:** Christmas always brings with it a flood of thoughts and sentiments that remind us of Christmases past. Is it possible that you could be like a distracted toddler at Christmas when faced with God's perfect Gift of His Son Jesus Christ? You know the basic story but have never gotten into the details? You are content to play with the box, when the real gift goes unnoticed? I want to unwrap the miracle and the message of this fantastic event called the incarnation.

### God the Father's plan to present us with His Perfect Gift - John 6

#### **The Father's Seal...the miraculous gift of His Son - vs. 27**

Three basic things we need to understand about this gift:

1. First, Jesus, the "Son of Man," came to bring us a gift.
2. Second, the gift Jesus came to bring is a gift that will never fade with time because it is eternal. ***"Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life."***
3. Third, the Gift is Jesus Christ who came from God the Father. ***"For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."***

**The Father's work...faith in His Son - vs. 28-29, "They replied, 'We want to perform God's works, too. What should we do?' Jesus told them, 'This is the only work God wants from you: Believe in the one he has sent.' "**

**The Father's sign...Bread from Heaven - vs. 30-35, "Jesus replied, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.' "**

**The Father's call...They will come - vs. 37-38, "However, those the Father has given me will come to me, and I will never reject them. For I have come down from heaven to do the will of God who sent me, not to do my own will."**

1. God has given His chosen ones to Jesus.
2. God makes certain that those He calls will come to Jesus. ***"Those the Father has given me will come to me, and I will never reject them."***

**The Father's plan...eternal security and eternal life - vs. 39-40, "And this is the will of God, that I should not lose even one of all those he has given me, but that I should raise them up at the last**

***day. For it is my Father's will that all who see his Son and believe in him should have eternal life. I will raise them up at the last day."***

1. God has ordained that everyone who comes to Jesus will be eternally kept without anyone being lost.
2. Jesus will raise us from the dead on the last day.

**Conclusion: How can I know if I am chosen?**