

# Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time

Sunday Forum – January 24, 2016

Jesus: Bread, Light, and Life  
Jesus the Jew and Anti-Semitism  
John 6-17



**Opening Prayer** “I am the Bread of Life” – Hymn 335 – verse 1

## “I AM” Sayings in John’s Gospel

Jesus’ proclamation of himself as God in our flesh

Background from Exodus 3:13-14

<sup>13</sup>But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

Seven "I AM" sayings:

- (1) bread of life (6:35); (2) light of the world (8:12); (3) gate (10:9);
- (4) good shepherd (10:11); (5) resurrection and life (11:25-26);
- (6) way, truth, and life (14:6); (7) vine (15:5).

### **Bread of Life – Chapter Six**

Feeding of the Five Thousand

Bread from heaven – v. 22 ff.

Trues Bread from Heaven – Comparison with Moses – v. 31 ff.

Words of eternal life – v. 60 ff.

### **Light of the World – 8:12**

Man born blind – Chapter Nine

Sin and blindness – 9:2 ff.

Works of God might be revealed in him – 9:3

Healing on Sabbath – 9:14

Investigation of healing – 9:15 ff.

Satire about investigation of healing of blind man – 9:24 ff.

Spiritual blindness – 9:35 ff.

### **Gate and Good Shepherd – 10: 9 and 11**

Rejection of Jesus by Jews – 10:22 ff.

### **Resurrection and Life – Death and Raising of Lazarus – Chapter 11**

Lazarus' Death – 11:1-16

Mary and Martha – 11:17-22

Jesus at Lazarus' Tomb – 11:33-44

Belief in Jesus vs. Plots against Jesus – 11:45 ff.

### **Anointing of Jesus and Palm Sunday – Chapter 12**

Mary anoints Jesus – 12:1-8

Palm Sunday – 12:12 ff.

### **Foot Washing at Last Supper – Chapter 13**

Servants of one another – 13:12-17

Love one another as I have loved you – 13: 34-35

### **Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life – Chapter 14:6**

No one comes to the Father except through me

Jesus the Jew and Anti-Semitism in John's Gospel



1 I am the bread of life; they who  
 2 (The) Bread that I will give  
 3 (Un-) less I am the re-sur-rected one, that  
 4 I Lord am the re-sur-rected one, that  
 5 (Yes) Lord am the re-sur-rected one, that

1 come to me shall not hunger; they who be-  
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who  
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man live. They who be-  
 4 I you are the Christ, who  
 5 you are the Christ, who

1 I believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
 2 eat of this bread, you they shall live for-  
 3 drink of his blood, me, e-ven if they  
 4 I believe in me, God who has  
 5 Son of God who has

1 me - un - less the - Fa - ther - draw them.  
 2 ev - er, you shall not have life in you.  
 3 in you shall not have life in you.  
 4 die, they shall live for-  
 5 come in to the world.

*Descant*  
 And I will raise them up, and I will raise them  
*Refrain*  
 And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on th  
 up, and I will raise them up on th

last day. [1-4] Final Endin  
 last day. 5 Yes, day.  
 last day. 2 The  
 3 Un-  
 4 Yes,  
 5 Yes,

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.  
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