



How to Revive Your Desire for God

God Is Boring

How Can God Not Be Boring?

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29 Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” **30** So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? **31** Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” **32** Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. **33** For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” **34** They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” **35** Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. **36** But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. **37** All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. **38** For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. **39** And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. **40** For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

Acknowledge our dissatisfaction with everything else – John 6:29–34

- They didn't need more bread.
 - “They said to him, ‘Sir, give us this bread always’” (John 6:34).

- Remember the context:
 - “Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you’” (Exodus 16:4a).
 - “26 Jesus answered them, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27 Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal’” (John 6:26–27).
- They failed to acknowledge their dissatisfaction with everything else.
- Repentance is turning from everything that we want to satisfy us.
 - “The heart’s hunger is infinite, which is why it will ultimately be disappointed with anything merely finite” (James K. A. Smith, *On the Road with Saint Augustine*, 13).
- How do we repent?
 - See sin
 - Grieve sin
 - Confess sin
 - Hate sin
 - Forsake sin
- Will you acknowledge your dissatisfaction with everything else?

Receive Jesus as the only one who gives satisfaction – John 6:35–37

- They rejected Jesus.
 - “But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe” (John 6:36).
- Remember the context:
 - “4 Now the rabble that was among them had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, ‘Oh that we had meat to eat! 5 We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. 6 But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at’” (Numbers 11:4–6).
- They failed to receive Jesus as the only one who gives satisfaction.
- Faith is seeing and believing Jesus is the only one who can satisfy us.
 - “Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst’” (John 6:35).
- Salvation is a gift of grace from beginning to end.
- What is faith?
 - Assent of the Mind: What is believed is true & worthy of confidence
 - Trust of the Heart: Faith abandons all competing idolatrous sources of reliance.
 - Decision of the Will: A determination to walk daily trusting in God.
- Will you receive Jesus as the only one who gives satisfaction?

Experience eternal satisfaction with Jesus – John 6:66–69

- They followed Jesus.

- “**66** After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him.
- **67** So Jesus said to the twelve, ‘Do you want to go away as well?’ **68** Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, **69** and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God’” (John 6:66–69).
- They experienced eternal satisfaction because they followed Jesus.
- Eternal satisfaction is not only for the future.
 - “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life” (John 5:24).
 - When you get God, you get everything.
- Do you want to experience eternal satisfaction with Jesus?

God is not boring when we acknowledge our dissatisfaction, receive Jesus, and experience his eternal satisfaction.