John 6:22-65 • Six Earthly Questions

Q. #1: "Rabbi, when did You get here?"

There is a vast difference between those who attend church in order to have their <u>felt needs</u> met in order to live this life, and those who seek Christ with their eyes set on His work <u>beyond the limits</u> of this life.

Q. #2: "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?"

When a person <u>believes</u> on Christ they are not effecting a good work which earns them <u>salvation</u> because it what <u>God</u> does in response to our <u>faith</u> that counts.

Q. #3: "What then do You do for a sign, so that we may see, and believe You?"

Although God is always faithful where our personal <u>needs</u> are concerned, <u>earthly</u> concerns are never to be pursued at the expense of the <u>eternal</u>. God's provision is always focused on the greater goal of the <u>eternal</u> life.

The Request: "Lord, always give us this bread."

The gift of eternal life is actually the fulfillment of their request to "always give us this bread", provided the recipient biblically "comes" to the Son and "believes"—that is to be forever changed going forward by the application of His Word.

Q. #4: "How does He now say, 'I have come down out of heaven'?"

The first and foremost issue where Jesus is concerned is always whether He is accepted or rejected as the Messiah in accordance with God's Word; everything else a person believes about Jesus, His life and Word flows from this.

Q. #5: "How can this man give us His flesh to eat?"

A sure sign of unbelief is the steadfast refusal to move beyond the <u>earthly</u> and <u>physical</u> to the <u>heavenly</u> and <u>spiritual</u>.

Q. #6: "This is a difficult statement; who can listen to it?"

The Bible always teaches not to be a "<u>listener</u>" but a "<u>doer</u>". The biblical definition of someone who "<u>listens</u>" is the one who actually puts the Word into <u>practice</u>.