

# Epiphany News

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*"See how the flowers of the field grow.  
They do not labour or spin...*

*If that is how God clothes the grass of the  
field, which is here today and tomorrow is  
thrown into the fire, will He not much more  
clothe you – you of little faith?" Matthew 6:28-30*

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## From the Editor

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## A letter from Mark Payne

*What an amazing country we live in! Each county has its own identity and history affecting both countryside and architecture. Add to that a rich tapestry of history and you can understand why so many of us believe that Great Britain is a great place to live.*

Just a few weeks ago Diane and I had a short break away in Kent. Our trip included a visit to Canterbury cathedral. So many centuries of offering worship and so many stories hidden within the walls. Since 597AD, when St. Augustine baptised the Saxon king Ethelbert, the Cathedral at Canterbury has been an important place of pilgrimage.



The Cathedral is also famous for being the site of the assassination of Thomas Becket in 1170. Becket was one of the most powerful figures of his time and served as Chancellor and later Archbishop of Canterbury. Initially he was a close friend of King Henry II, but they became engaged in a

bitter dispute that culminated in Becket's shocking murder in the Cathedral by knights with close ties to the king. There's a striking memorial at the site of the murder.

We also visited Hever Castle, the childhood home of Anne Boleyn, the second wife of Henry VIII. Anne was an educated and clever woman who refused to become Henry's mistress. Henry had issues with the Catholic Church in obtaining an annulment of his first marriage, leading to a break between the church here in England and the church in Rome. Although Anne and Henry had a daughter, she failed to produce a son and, following 3 miscarriages, Henry started to court Jane Seymour. He had to think of a reason to dispose of Anne and she was falsely accused of high treason and executed in 1536.

These were key events, taking place in the Reformation years alongside the movement of the Spirit of God in the life of the German Augustinian monk, Martin Luther. He saw from scripture that we can't buy salvation by good works or payment of money, but only by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Luther also taught that the Bible is the *only* authority to teach us about salvation and that all those who believe in the power of Christ's death on the cross for our sin, not only receive forgiveness, but also have access to God's throne of grace in prayer. Henry VIII's break with the Catholic Church unwittingly allowed understanding of God's wonderful saving grace to flourish in England. God was 'working His good purposes out' through all the horrible events that had taken place.

What about us here at Holy Epiphany? I came to this church about 10 years ago and still have memories of a lovely man who always sat near the front and would raise his hands in praise and worship. The walls of this church could tell their own stories about the people of this parish living out lives of faith and worship over nearly 70 years. What does the future hold for us? That is the question we are all asking. God is working His purposes out in the history of our church and the one thing we can be sure of comes from the words of the apostle Paul: -

*For those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)*

We have seen how God has worked through the history of this blessed land, so let's trust Him for our future.

With God's blessing

Mark



## 'There's a friend for little children above the bright blue sky'

by Marion Richards.

I was 6 years old when the teacher at my primary school taught the class this hymn. We sang the first two lines and my hand shot up, ready to ask a question. I was always asking questions about things I didn't understand. "Please Miss, who's the friend?" "Jesus," my teacher answered. "Jesus is the Friend."

I was puzzled. How could anyone live above the sky? In any case the sky was never quite blue. The daytime sky was marked with criss-crossing chalky-white lines. "Vapour trails made by the aeroplanes going off to fight the war and bring Dad home again to us," is what Mum said. There were also the huge grey balloons floating in the sky. "Barrage balloons," Mum called them. "Keeping guard."

Perhaps Jesus lived in one of the barrage balloons. But if He really was a friend for little children, why didn't He come down when the air-raids were going on and ask if there was anything He could do to help us. I would have told him, "Yes, please, stop the bombs falling. Bring my Dad home from the War." When I went to bed there would always be a time during the night when a siren sounded an air-raid warning. Mum would wake me up and we would go as fast as we could to the street shelter and stay until the 'All-Clear' siren sounded, telling us the enemy air-raid was over and it was safe to come out from the shelter and make our way home again, treading over the mounds of rubble and being helped by ARP wardens through the debris of buildings around us which had been hit.

I still had questions I wanted to ask the teacher, but the bell went and school was finished for the day. Mum met me from school and on the way home we stopped to buy a jam-doughnut from the local baker's shop. All thoughts of a friend for little children living above the bright blue sky went out of my head. I was too busy enjoying my doughnut.

December 1942: It would soon be Christmas and our teacher wanted us to learn another hymn.

She called it a carol and the first two lines went like this: "AWAY IN A MANGER, NO CRIB FOR HIS BED, THE LITTLE LORD JESUS LAY DOWN HIS SWEET HEAD". There it was again. That name. JESUS! My inquisitive mind was at work again but this time I waited until Mum came to meet me from school. I'd ask her if we could go to the library. Mum had always encouraged me to read, and we both enjoyed going to the library together. The library was a short distance away from school and we soon arrived there. I went straight up to the desk. "Have you got a book about Jesus?" I asked. "He's a friend for little children and He lives above the sky. He was born in a manger with the cows..."

"I think I know what you want," said the librarian lady. Come with me if that's alright with your Mummy." She smiled at Mum. "Go on, then," said Mum. The librarian lady took my hand, led me to the aisle of books, went straight to one of the bookshelves and pulled out a book. "This is a book of Christmas Carols," she said. "I think this is the one you are looking for." She opened the book and handed it to me. "Here we are, on Page 6". "I'm Six too," I said, as though that was an important thing she ought to know. Mum and I walked home with our books. I taught myself the carol word for word.

From that moment on whenever the air-raids became too scary I asked Jesus to help me and truly, I believe in my heart, He did! 'Away in a Manger', especially when it is sung by children, is still one of my favourite carols. Whatever our age we are all God's little children preciousely loved and blessed by Him in the name of Jesus, always kept in His loving, tender care. Whoever calls out to Him He will never turn away.

*'People were bringing the children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them (Mark 10:13) Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me," and he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and he blessed them' (Mark 10:16)*

*'Whoever calls on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ will be saved' (Romans 10:13)*

## Poems and comment on the Apostles' Creed - by Tony Ingleby



Let us introduce ourselves. We are Tony & Marion Ingleby and we met and married as undergraduates at Keele University.

We both taught for several years in North Staffordshire and Plymouth. We both trained for Ministry at Trinity College Bristol where Marion obtained a Diploma in the Science of Mission and Tony trained for ordained ministry. Tony's curacy was in Plymouth; then he led three multi-parish benefices in Southeast Cornwall. Tony retired at 68 and we moved back to Plymouth, worshipping at the Church from which

we were sent to train for ministry. We both sang in East Cornwall Bach Choir, church choirs and music groups.

We moved here from Plymouth in early January 2021 and have attended Holy Epiphany since the socially distanced worship began a few weeks ago. We moved here to be near our elder son, Peter, his wife, Karen, (both teachers) and our twin grandsons. Our younger son, Matthew lectures at Queen Mary University, London (a comfortable train journey from Bournemouth when the evidence of covid safety is convincing).

Tony writes poetry, prose and songs. His largest literary undertaking was to paraphrase each of the Psalms and set them to a hymn tune that seemed appropriate. Many years ago, he also wrote poems and comments on the Apostles' Creed – below is the first of that series.

### ***I Believe in God***

#### ***I believe in God!***

***It must seem rather odd to him  
That creatures full of whim and doubt  
Should his existence spout about!***

***Man's life it is so brief  
Death snatches like a thief it seems  
No solidier than dreams and mist.  
Who're we to judge what may exist?***

#### ***Does God believe in man?***

***What earthly judgements can he trust  
From noisy cosmic dust whose sound  
Is lost in wide creation's bound.***

***Yet God knows man is real,  
Can touch and taste and feel and see  
And think he's free to judge what's right  
And, if he chooses, might believe in God!***

In *'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'* Lucy notices, among other book titles, *'A Study in Popular Legend or Is Man a Myth?'* C. S. Lewis enjoyed a little prod at some of his fellow academics even when he wrote his children's stories!

It is easy from a position of faith – the faith of a Theist or the faith of an Atheist – to scoff at the sheer intellectual energy which people dissipate in the quest to prove or disprove the existence of God. When I did not believe in God it was not because I imagined I could 'disprove Him', and my faith now does not depend upon the ontological, teleological, cosmological or any other 'ological' proof.

Because God's existence cannot be proved, however, does not make His existence less real. I believe in God and, if I am right, He is more real than anything else. I have never heard a logically defensible position between that and the total absence of God. The big debatable proposition is not about God's existence but about His nature.

What's happening now in Holy Epiphany – new information is in red

<p><b>10.00am Sunday</b></p>  <p><b>services here</b></p>	 <p><b>Worship and Praise Services and Holy Communion</b></p> <p><i>We are pleased to be able to welcome local church ministers to lead our services.</i></p> <p><i>Rev David Thompson, Rev Dr Paul Collins and Rev Robin Harger will be taking Holy Communion services on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in August and September.</i></p>
	<p><b>Home Groups</b> – friendly groups who meet fortnightly to share fellowship, study God's word, and pray. If you are interested in joining, you are invited to a meeting on <b>Thursday 12 August at 10.30, at 4 Tennyson Road</b>. Please contact Alan or Mary Hogg on 01202 511759 if you would like to join a group.</p>
<p><b>PRAYER</b> <i>changes things</i></p>	<p><b>Prayer Meetings</b> are taking place weekly, via Zoom, mostly on Wednesdays from 6 – 6.40pm. All are welcome.</p> <p>Contact Mark Vincent, Joanne Davis, or Alan Hogg for details of how to join.</p>
	<p><b>Epiphany Bright Stars</b> – our parent/carer and toddler group re-starts on <b>14 September on Tuesday afternoons in term-time from 1.30 – 3.00pm</b> in the church and Jubilee Room. Contact Jodie Burge on 01202 776270.</p>
	<p><b>Messy Church</b> – family fun for parents and children followed by a shared meal. Games, craft activities, biscuit or cake decorating, Bible stories and buffet tea. Usually on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month - 3.00 – 5.00pm in the church.</p> <p><b>Meetings are still on hold:</b> contact Mary Hogg on 01202 511759</p> <p><a href="#">Ideas for a water-based Messy Church at home in the holidays - google Messy Church at home - August</a></p>
	<p><b>Muscliff Care Home Service:</b> – monthly on Mondays at 2.30pm</p> <p>Monthly visits are still happening via Zoom.</p>
	<p><b>Epiphany Pre-School</b> meets Monday - Friday in the church hall during <b>term-time</b> from 9.00am to 3.00pm.</p> <p>Please check dates with the pre-school staff.</p> <p>Phone 01202 612337 for more information</p>

	<p><b>Tea Cosy</b> – Meetings are still on hold.</p>	
	<p><b>Wednesday Lunches – On hold at the moment.</b> Coffee at 10.30am followed by games and social time. Lunch is served at 1.00pm and is prepared by ‘Crumbs’. A 2-course meal costs £4 and (pre-booked) menu choices are available. There is a short service of Holy Communion at midday once a month. Enquiries to 01202 516712</p>	 <p><b>Choir practice</b> - please contact Susan Bright for up-to-date information.</p>
	<p><b>Coffee and Cake at The Barn</b> – an opportunity for anyone from Epiphany to chat and ‘put the world to rights’. Just come along on <b>Wednesday mornings from 10.00 – 11.00am at Kingfisher Barn</b>, Granby Road, Muscliffe Lane, Bournemouth BH9 3NZ. Contact Alan Hogg on 07963 706907.</p>	
	<p><b>Hymns and Cake</b> – Join in with some favourite hymns, learn a little about them and afterwards enjoy tea and cake. Meetings will be arranged when it is possible. Contact Joanne Davis on 07906 355271.</p>	
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**The Church of England’s ‘Daily Hope’ phone line**  
 If you have no access to the Internet you can listen free, each day, to a hymn with an encouraging talk and a prayer, lasting about 20 minutes.  
**Telephone number 0800 804 8044**



A streamed Sunday service and regular evening prayer via Zoom.

Up-to-date details can be found at <https://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/worship-and-music/our-services/service-listings/>

**Friendship line 01202 022987**

If you're feeling lonely, or just a bit out of sorts, then give the PramaLife friendship line a call. They have a team of volunteers who would love to chat with you. All volunteers are local people, who will be happy to listen, or talk about whatever is on your mind.

## My Soul Awakened – by Marion Richards

In the depths of my being my soul doth receive  
The joy of my Saviour in whom I believe:  
Jesus the Light, the Truth and the Way,  
His Spirit my guide when to God I do pray

In the depth of my being all is calm and at rest  
When I look to my Saviour and in him build my nest  
He is my peace, my soul he doth fill  
With revelation of his perfect Love, perfect Will

His love poured out through Christ's blood on the Cross,  
Blessed redemption, I am no longer lost  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Majestic Three-in-One  
Sanctifier of my soul, new life has now begun

In the depth of my being my soul is secure  
In Jesus, my Saviour, I am kept safe and sure  
With faith in the hope that is yet to come  
When I'm called to rest with him in his Paradise Home.

Jesus

*In July, Stella celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with a delicious afternoon tea arranged by friends. We wish her many happy returns.*



## Parish Registers from June and July

***Baptisms – We welcome into the church family:***

**27 June**

*Beatrice Lily Bright*



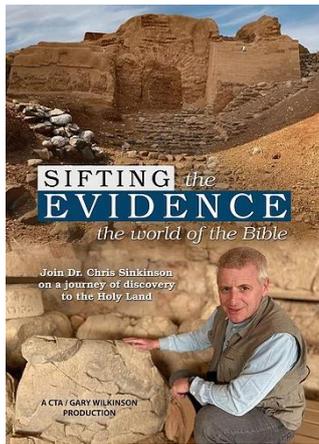
***Weddings – We pray for God's blessing:***

**20 July**

*Callum David Shirley and Mary-Jane May Sadler.*



## Sifting the Evidence: The World of the Bible – by Mary Hogg



Have you ever visited Israel? The morning talks at Bournemouth Bible Week in July took us from our seats in Westbourne to the north shore of the Sea of Galilee. Our speaker, Chris Sinkinson, described the archaeology of the area and how it relates to the accounts in Mark's Gospel of the miracles Jesus did there.

Dr Chis Sinkinson is a theology lecturer locally, at Moorlands College, and has great interest and experience in archaeology. Sifting the Evidence is his new DVD featuring archaeological discoveries in Israel. It is available from Keith Jones Bookshop at £12.99 – speak to me if you would like it.

The discoveries he describes demonstrate that what we read in both the Old and New Testament fits with the archaeology from those ancient times. They give us good reason to trust Bible material and a firm foundation for faith as they show the authenticity of the accounts and help us to appreciate that they are often written by eyewitnesses.

I was fascinated by it all, but especially by the tiny silver scrolls from Ketef Hinnom dating from 7-6<sup>th</sup> century BC found by Gabriel Barkay. The earliest Biblical verses ever found. One verse, he tells us in the DVD, is from Deuteronomy 7:9. To me, it sums up the whole point of the excavations:

***“Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.”***

## Praying with St Paul – *Philippians 1:9 - 11*



***“And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God.”***

This time St Paul is writing to Christians in Philippi, a major Greek city. Its ruins can still be visited today. We remember it as the first place in Europe where Paul took the good news of Jesus and a Christian church grew up. We can read in Acts 16 about the people he met there and how he was imprisoned and miraculously set free as his jailer came to believe in Jesus. The Philippians were very special to him.

Paul is writing to them from prison and above all he prays that they will not be satisfied with second best, but will live their lives blamelessly and fruitfully, bringing glory to God. Not things that come easily to them - or to us. How does Paul say they should go about it? Try harder? No, it is through their love of Christ that such change will come about in their lives. Increasing knowledge and love for Him will retune their values and this is what Paul asks God to do in their lives. Let us ask God to do this in our lives too.

**All are welcome to join as we meet for prayer by Zoom. Please get in touch with one of our pastoral volunteers, Mark V or Joanne, if you have a prayer request. Contact details are on the first page.**

## Be still My Soul – by Joanne Davis

It has been in the hardest times of my life that I have felt closest to God, because when I have had nothing and no one – I know I have God. I was reminded of this comforting hymn a few weeks ago by Sue Bright during a service.

### Be Still my Soul, The Lord is on Thy Side by Katharina von Schlegel (1697 - 1768)

Often, in the midst of suffering, people look up and see the face of God. That was true for Katharina von Schlegel, a Lutheran woman born in Germany in the century after Luther began the Reformation there. Katharina was inspired to write this hymn when she read God's promise in Psalm 46, "**Be still and know that I am God**" together with the assurance in the same Psalm, "**The Lord is with us. The God of Jacob is our refuge**". These are promises that never grow old because suffering is a fact of life just as much now as it was in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century. No one is exempt and people still need the hope that they find in Biblical promises.

This hymn survived only because of the work of a British woman, Jane Borthwick, who translated it into English a century after Katharina wrote it. At some point, Katharina's words were paired with the tune of "Finlandia" by Finnish composer Jean Sibelius. God used three people from three countries to put together this hymn that teaches us that God is in control and will be with us and lead us through grief, pain, our past, present and future. The last verse assures us that ultimately at the end we shall be safe at last with God for eternity as we read in Revelation chapter 21, below.

***"Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."***

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
leave to thy God to order and provide;  
in every change He faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend  
thro' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,  
and all is darkened in the veil of tears,  
then shalt thou better know His love, His heart,  
who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.  
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay  
from His own fullness all He takes away.

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake  
to guide the future as He has the past.  
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
His voice, who ruled them while He dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.



It isn't always easy though, to feel God's presence. When a dear friend of mine passed away a few years ago I found this written in her handwriting, "**Some people find it very hard to find Jesus; others just accept Him in Faith; But he is always there; if we look long and hard enough, we will find Him**". I pray that whatever you go through, you all will know or will come to know Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, Guide, Comforter and Friend.



## Bible Thought - from Sam Dickinson.

***“There is nothing that troubles our consciences more...than when we think that God is like ourselves”.***

So said the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Theologian John Calvin, and I came across his words when reading a book called *Gentle and Lowly*, by Dane Ortland and this Bible thought is really thanks to a chapter in there. *Isaiah 55:6-8* says this, ***‘Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon. “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord.’***

As Christian believers, we are always turning to the LORD. Yes, some of us may look back to a time when we turned for the first time - and it felt big and dramatic and life-changing. We’d say we committed our life to Jesus then, we became a Christian then, perhaps... But we’re always turning and re-turning to the Lord. Repentance isn’t a one-off thing, it’s a day-by-day thing – as we see our sin, and we turn back to our Saviour God, depending on Him for his grace and help.

At least, theory that’s what we do. Because here’s the problem... If we think that God is *like ourselves*, as Calvin put it, we might just worry that frankly, He’s fed up with us. We know what we are like - we can be quick to hold a grudge against someone, to lose patience, to quietly avoid someone because they’ve annoyed us one too many times. And maybe, subconsciously perhaps, we expect God to operate at in a similar way. And that’s why these verses are so refreshing. Why will God have mercy? Why will He freely pardon? Why can we turn to Him in confidence instead of fear? Verse 8 tells us, ***“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the LORD.”***

So, when it comes to showing mercy and pardon, God’s thoughts are on a different level completely – we pardon people in a miserly, stingy, way, so often... but He FREELY PARDONS, verse 7, or ABUNDANTLY pardons, as the word can also be translated. His pardoning is so much bigger, so much richer than ours!

I went to buy some bike mudguards for our 5 year old. He has a grand total of £1.46 I think it is - in his little pot of money, and he considers it quite a big deal to have more than one hundred pennies. But these mudguards, the problem was that they sat comfortably the wrong side of £20 – More than 100 pennies, more than 2,000 pennies – miles out of budget. But that’s not a problem – because in my bank account, there is ABUNDANTLY more than £1.46!

You get the point – it’s precisely because my bank account is so different that I could buy the mudguards. And it’s because God is SO different from us that He can ABUNDANTLY pardon. So don’t imagine He’s like you!! It will suffocate your faith in Him, and stop you turning to Him. Don’t think dripping tap of forgiveness. Think abundant, roaring waterfall of forgiveness.

And why this abundance? Because of what was prophesied just a bit earlier in Isaiah and fulfilled in Jesus’ death. He, JESUS “bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.”

Our sin has been borne by the Lord Jesus – He bore the right and rightly-awful penalty – so that we might know God’s ABUNDANT pardon. So, keep turning and re-turning to Him, knowing that His thoughts are not your thoughts, and His ways are not your ways...

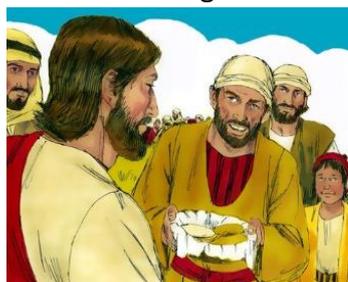
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## Family Page – Feeding 5,000 people...with a boy's picnic.

A great crowd of more than 5,000 people follow Jesus to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee. They are amazed by the miracles they have seen and as He takes the boat to get there, they follow for 2 hours on foot. Jesus teaches them and by evening He knows they will be tired and hungry.

“Where shall we buy bread for all these people to eat?” Jesus asks Philip, who is from Bethsaida, a nearby town and knows the area. Jesus knows what He intends to do but wants to hear what His disciples think. They have seen many miracles by this time... But Philip is horrified by the thought of the cost – eight months’ wages!



to be asking the impossible. Another disciple speaks up. He has found a boy with a picnic of five loaves and two small fish, “But how far will

they go among so many?”

Well, they do. Jesus looks up and thanks God for the loaves and the fish, gets the people to sit down and gives the food to His disciples to hand out. Everyone has enough to eat and there are 12 baskets of scraps left over after they have finished.



This is the only miracle of Jesus recorded in all 4 gospels. Some people say that Jesus simply encouraged everyone to

get out their packed lunches and share them, but that is not what the gospel writers say – and they were there or had talked to eyewitnesses. They were not setting out to mislead people. Jesus’ miracles, the power He showed over nature, sickness and death, all point to who He is – the Son of God. He was there when the world was created, when fish first swam in the sea and when the first plants grew on the land. He is the creator; He can do it.

You can read the story in John’s Gospel, at the beginning of chapter 6. A little later in the same chapter are two of our church Bible readings on Sunday mornings this August. Jesus tells the crowd in verse 35, “I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry”, and again in verse 47 - 8, He says, “I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life. I am the bread of life”. If we trust Jesus, the powerful Son of God, who loves us, we will find He came to give us so much more. Jesus came to give us a relationship with God which will last forever.

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