



# Knowing Christ

Drawn and Raised



## Come to Jesus and Be Satisfied

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 6:35** Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall not hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.
- <sup>NAS</sup> **Revelation 22:17** And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost.



## Deja Vu

- **NAS John 6:41** The Jews therefore were grumbling about Him ...
- **NAS Exodus 16:2** And the whole congregation of the sons of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness.
- **NAS Psalm 106:24** Then they despised the pleasant land; They did not believe in His word, <sup>25</sup> But grumbled in their tents; They did not listen to the voice of the LORD.
- **NIV Jude 1:16** These men are grumblers and faultfinders; they follow their own evil desires; they boast about themselves and flatter others for their own advantage.
- **NAS 1 Corinthians 10:10** Nor grumble, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer.



# Overview

## The Complaint

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 6:41** The Jews therefore were grumbling about Him, because He said, "I am the bread that came down out of heaven." <sup>42</sup> And they were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does He now say, 'I have come down out of heaven'?"
  - Their problem is deep and persistent unbelief.

## The Initial Response

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 6:43** Jesus answered and said to them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. <sup>44</sup> "No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.
  - The source of the problem: the will of man.
  - The solution to the problem: the grace of God.



## The Follow Up

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 6:45** "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught of God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me. <sup>46</sup> "Not that any man has seen the Father, except the One who is from God; He has seen the Father.

## The Gospel

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 6:47** "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup> "I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup> "Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup> "This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup> "I am the living bread that came down out of heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he shall live forever; and the bread also which I shall give for the life of the world is My flesh."
- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 6:35** Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall not hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst."



# Key Details

## The Problem of the Will

- NAS **John 6:44** "No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him ...
- NIV **Matthew 23:37** "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing.
- NAS **John 3:19** "And this is the judgment, that the light is come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the light; for their deeds were evil.
- NIV **Romans 3:10** As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one; <sup>11</sup> there is no one who understands, no one who seeks God. <sup>12</sup> All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one."

## The Solution of Grace

- **NAS John 6:44** "No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him ... <sup>45</sup> "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught of God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me... <sup>47</sup> "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life.
- **NAS John 1:12** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, <sup>13</sup> who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.
- **NAS John 3:6** "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> "Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' <sup>8</sup> "The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

## Gently Drawn

- **NAS Ephesians 2:4** But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ ... <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;
- **NIV Ephesians 1:18** I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,
- **NAS Song of Solomon 1:4** "Draw me after you and let us run together! The king has brought me into his chambers." "We will rejoice in you and be glad; We will extol your love more than wine. Rightly do they love you."

## Raised

- NAS **John 6:44** "No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.
- NAS **Ephesians 2:4** But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ ... <sup>6</sup> and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places, in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> in order that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.
- NAS **1 Thessalonians 4:16** For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and thus we shall always be with the Lord.

# Conclusions



## Drawn by Unconditional Love

- **NAS Ephesians 2:4** But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),
- **NAS Romans 5:8** But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
- **NIV 2 Timothy 1:9** who has saved us and called us to a holy life-- not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time,
- **NIV Titus 3:4** But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior,

## Children of God, Loved of the Father

- Who am I that the highest King  
Would welcome me?  
I was lost but He brought me in  
Oh His love for me
- Free at last, He has ransomed me  
His grace runs deep  
While I was a slave to sin  
Jesus died for me  
Yes He died for me
- Who the Son sets free  
Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am  
In my Father's house  
There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am

## In Christ Alone Our Hope is Found

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 6:44** "No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.
- No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.