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## WHATCHA' THINKING?

### John 6

1. In the spirit of "*whatcha' thinking?*," is there a single chapter in the Bible that you have consistently been intrigued by, or challenged by, in your life? (Describe).
2. We glanced briefly at two recent studies. The takeaway from the first is that for the most part people from *all* faiths think favorably about Jesus. In the second, the key takeaway is that nearly half of self-professed Christians believe that if they are *generally* good, that will be sufficient to make it into Heaven. How do these studies overlap? What is the danger of vectoring Christianity into a works-based faith?
3. Read Deuteronomy 18:15. Now read John 6:14-15. How did the people get so turned around that they resolved to make Jesus a king "*by force*"? In what ways do we try to conform Jesus to our own expectations or agendas?
4. Read John 6:26. In short order, the people went from being blessed by Jesus' provision to feeling entitled to more from Jesus? Do you struggle with a sense of entitlement on what you expect from God? What is the "antidote" to entitlement?
5. Read John 6:28-30. Is it difficult for you to accept that salvation is "*by grace, through faith*" - period? Why is "*by grace, through faith*" so difficult for almost half of Christians still today?
6. In your own words, what does it mean that Jesus is "*the bread of life*?" (John 6:35).
7. Read John 6:66-69. What saddens you about what you read here? What encourages you? What does this inspire in you?