# **DOES THIS OFFEND YOU?** PICTURE JESUS POINTING at his body as he says,

"Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." It's not hard to imagine how this metaphor tripped up more than a few people. (Indeed, in the ancient world, Christians were regularly mocked as cannibals because they talked about consuming the body and blood of Jesus in their worship meetings.) But perhaps the meaning of the metaphor is even more offensive than the metaphor itself. In this passage, Jesus claims that his very self is the sustenance we're looking for, that, even though we may chase after many things in our lives, we only need one thing: him. In our world, this is perhaps the most offensive claim Jesus makes: he—and only he—is what everyone needs. Many of us don't like to think of ourselves as having needs. And if we concede that we have needs, we imagine that we're unique enough that no one-size-fits-all solution exists. Still, Jesus says that he is the source of life for all. Does this offend you?

—Matthew Croasmun, Let Me Ask You a Question: Conversations with Jesus (Upper Room Books, 2018)

Today's Question: Do Jesus' words in John 6 offend you?

Today's Scripture: And Jesus said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father." Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

—John 6:65-69 (NRSV)

**Prayer for the Week:** Lord, help me know the difference between what you ask of me and what the world asks of me.

# Prayer.

Pray for the Pastors, Council & community of BLC.
For all those who will be undergoing Catechism for Baptism/Confirmation.
For the Lord's healing, grace, counsel and strength for all who are undergoing health challenges -- family members and loved ones, and their caregivers.

### Malaysia:

Pray all those in authority so that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way (1 Tim.2:1-4).

Let's keep Tun Mahathir and the cabinet in prayer for wisdom for the decisions ahead. Pray for the AG Tommy Thomas and his team as they carry out their legislative responsibilities.

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# Simple Obedience Following Jesus in the Real World





Welcome to the Father's House 01 September 2019, Pentecost 12 Sunday



Worship Gathering @ 10.00 am
Do join us on Sundays for prayer @ 9.30 am,
before Worship Service @ Refreshment Area.

Children, Pre-Teen & Youth sessions resume. Alpha: Su Shen Omega: Sheh Ren

Schedule for This Sunday, 01-09-2019

Preacher: Pr Takeshi H.

Worship: Adeline Asst Lead: Jern-Yi

Musicians:, Jern-Yi, Mynn, Nelson, Yann, Joshua

Sound: Jason LCD: Gim Han

Altar (Green): Sanas

Refreshments: Tammy & Jael Treasurer: Larry, Roy Lok Greeters: Suzanne, Sanas Worship Lead 08 Sept: Ee Lyn

Scripture Readers: Tammy, Mynn Readings for This Sunday, 01 Sept: NT: Hebrews 11:1-16 (12:1-12),

Gospel: Matthew 8:5-10

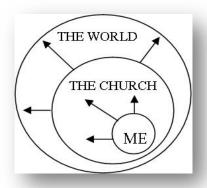
Text Next Sunday Service, 08 Sept:

OT: Genesis 2:4b-25

Gospel: Mark 1:16-20 or Mark 10:6-8

The BLC Missions Collections are supporting the following:

- > Batu 20, OA Congregation
- > United Voice Moh Foong
- > Bible Translation Researchers
- > Interserve



Worship

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Worship - **Upward** 

Community Ee Lyn 012 477 3375 Community - Inward

To *invite* people into the Reign of **God**, *encourage* them to grow in the Body of **Christ**, equip them to be sent into the World in the power of the **Spirit**. "As the Father has sent me I am sending you" John

20:21

Outward - Mission

Forward - Learning

Outreach Larry 012 2037832

**Learning Karl 016 7454527** 

Pastoral Oversight: Rev. Dr. Siew Woh

- BLC Garden Day
- New groups.

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- ➤ Women Encouraging Women (WEW): PIC Sheh-Ren
- Sunday Bible Reading Group: PIC Ling Ling
- Tuesday Bible Study

Pastoral Oversight: Pr. Takeshi

- ➤ Giving Tree: PIC Larry Lee
- Youth (13 years and above)
- Youth (12 and below)

**Children Ministry: Carmen Loke** 

Dear Friends, we will like to invite you (if you are not already involved) to serve with us for BLC's corporate worship. If interested, please speak with the following in the various areas:

Chin Hor/Jason/Nelson – for Musicians & Singers, Sound System & LCD; Chin Hor/Joyce -- for Greeters, Altar Deco, Scripture Readers, Holy Communion Prep;

Joyce/Michelle -- for providing refreshments.

**Facilities** 

Anand 017 3561942

Attendance 25 Aug 2019

Adults 78 Children 21 Total 99 Calendar 2019

21 Sept, Sat: Digital Addiction Seminar organised by PADERI.

31 October, Thurs: Reformation Day (Martin Luther)

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