

God, The Author of Your Faith



Scripture

- **John 6:35-45, 6:56, 59-61, 65**

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen Me, and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. This is the will of Him who sent Me, that of all that He has given Me I lose nothing but raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day."

Therefore, the Jews were grumbling about Him, because He said, "I am the bread that came down out of heaven." 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'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day. 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."

⁵⁶"He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him."

⁵⁹These things He said in the synagogue as He taught in Capernaum. Therefore, many of His disciples, when they heard this said, "This is a difficult statement; who can listen to it?" But Jesus, conscious that His disciples grumbled at this, said to them, "Does this cause you to stumble?"

⁶⁵And He was saying, "For this reason I have said to you, that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted him from the Father."

- **John 10:14-15, 19-21, 24-30**

"I am the good shepherd, and I know My own and My own know Me, even as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep."

¹⁹A division occurred again among the Jews because of these words.

Many of them were saying, "He has a demon and is insane. Why do you listen to Him?"

Others were saying, "These are not the sayings of one demon-possessed. A demon cannot open the eyes of the blind, can he?" ²⁴The Jews then gathered around Him, and

were saying to Him, "How long will You keep us in suspense? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly." Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe; the works that I do in My Father's name, these testify of Me. But you do not believe because you are not my sheep. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

- **John 17:1-2, 6, 9**

Jesus spoke these things; and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You, even as You gave Him authority over all flesh, that to all whom You have given Him, He may give eternal life.

I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your Word."

"I ask on their behalf; I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me; for they are Yours;"

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- **Romans 11:4**

But what is the divine response to him? "I HAVE KEPT for Myself SEVEN THOUSAND MEN WHO HAVE NOT BOWED THE KNEE TO BAAL." In the same way then, there has also come to be at the present time a remnant according to God's gracious choice.

Other Scriptures

- Ephesians 2:8-9
- Romans 4:13
- John 6:53
- John 15:16

Main Points

- We believe because God chose us and because He chose us, He supernaturally revealed His Son to us.
- The root of salvation lies in God's sovereignty and in His elective choice.
- Faith comes when God sovereignly chooses to impart it to us.
- God chose me.
- Father God chose me.
- Jesus, You chose me.
- God wants us to get secure in His love.

Discussion Questions

1. Where does the root of salvation begin? What is the source of our faith?
2. What did Yeshua mean when He said that "all the Father had given Him He would lose nothing."
3. Who draws the heart of a man or woman to Yeshua according to Scripture?
4. What impact does knowing that God chose you, have for you personally?