"The Process"

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Sermon Series: 7&7 John's Gospel Main Passage: John 6:1-14

Opened with a discussion about Opened with discussion about writing English Process paper on cooking frozen **pizza**.

- 1) Jesus takes what we **have**. (ref. vs. 30-40)
 - God does not call the equipped, but He **equips** the called. (ref: Heb.13:20-21)
 - Ministry is **hard**, but God desires to use us.
 - Compassion compels us to do ministry even when we are tired and feel inadequate.
 - Moses' task was not easy, but **God** made a way. (ref: Exodus; Mark 9:23; Ephesians 2:10)
 - We must be willing to believe and <u>offer</u> up what time, talents, and treasures we have for Christ Kingdom work.
- 2) Jesus will **bless** us. (ref: vs. 41)
 - While everyone loves the **blessing**, sometimes blessings are hidden within our trials. (ref: John 16:33)
 - Our greatest blessing and gift is **salvation**, and God has called and equipped us to play a role in the salvation of others.
- 3) Jesus will **break** us. (ref: vs. 41)
 - It was several years of hard times before **<u>David</u>** was actually crowned king, but he knew who His provider was. (ref: Psalm 23:1
 - God will **break** our stubbornness and self-reliance so He can use us in ways we never dreamed possible. (ref: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31)
- 4) Jesus will send us out to **satisfy** others. (ref: vs. 41-44)
 - D. L. **Moody** had less to offer than most anyone, but look what God did with his life.

In closing...

- What is your excuse for not allowing God to use you in ministry?
- Do you believe God considers it a legitimate excuse, or is He waiting for you to offer up what you have so He can do something beyond your imagination?