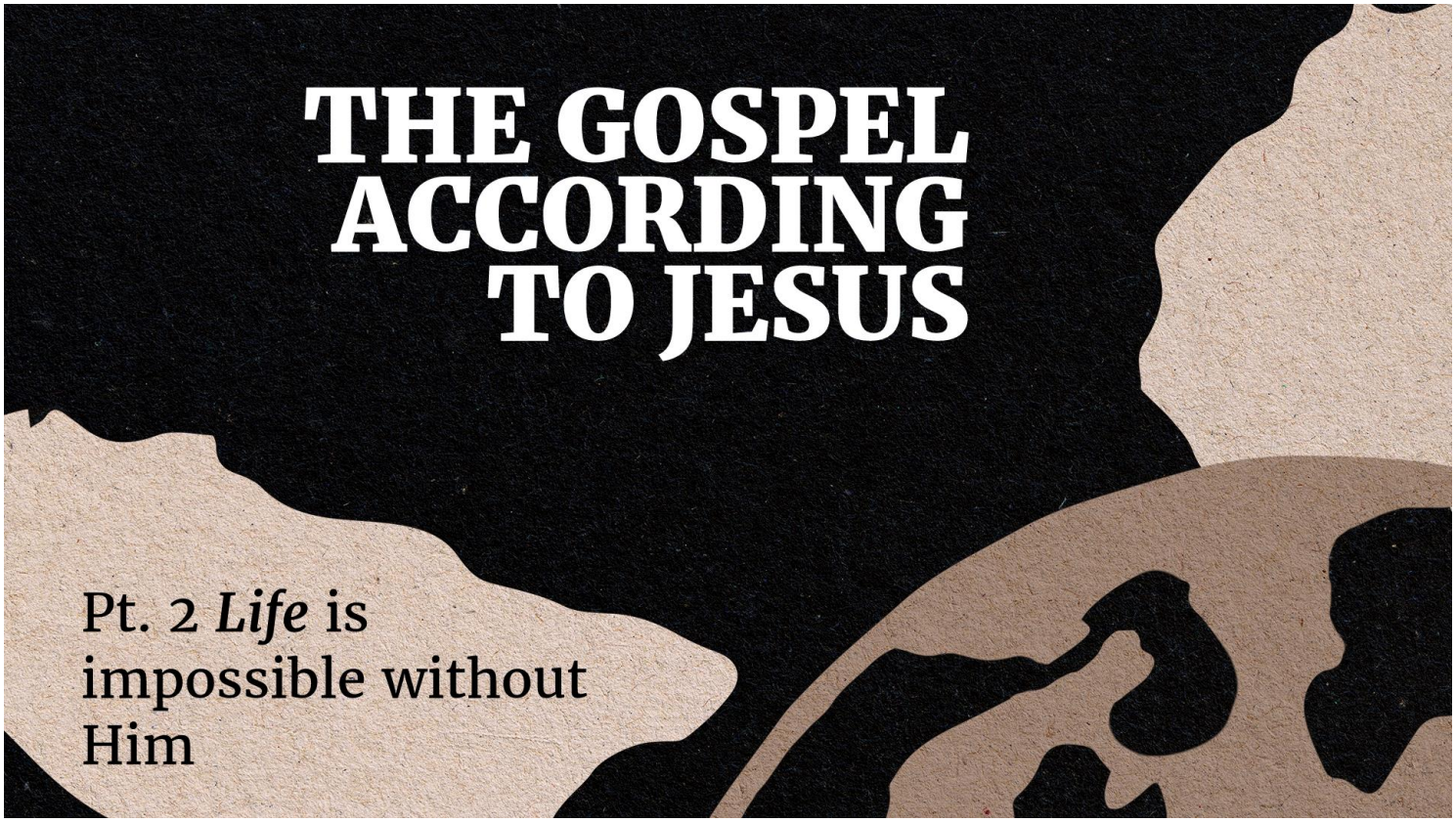

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JESUS
Pt. 2 *Life* is impossible without Him

We have made the gospel to be a choice between *heaven* or *hell*. Jesus made it a choice of *life* or *death*.



22 The next day the crowd
that stood on the other side of
the sea saw that there was no
other small boat there, except
one,

John 6:22–58



and that Jesus had not entered with His disciples into the boat, but *that* His disciples had gone away alone.

John 6:22–58



23 There came other small boats from Tiberias near to the place where they ate the bread after the Lord had given thanks.

John 6:22–58



24 So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor His disciples, they themselves got into the small boats, and came to Capernaum seeking Jesus.

John 6:22–58



25 When they found Him on the other side of the sea, they said to Him, “Rabbi, when did You get here?”

John 6:22–58



26 Jesus answered them and said, “Truly, truly, I say to you, *you seek Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled*.

John 6:22–58



27 “*Do not work for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life*, which the Son of Man will give to you, for on Him the Father, God, has set His seal.”

John 6:22–58



The greatest tragedy of a life is to live without regard for what happens beyond the grave.



28 Therefore they said to Him, "*What shall we do, so that we may work* the works of God?"

John 6:22–58



29 Jesus answered and said to them, “This is *the work of God*, that you *believe in Him whom He has sent*.”

John 6:22–58



30 So they said to Him, "*What then do You do for a sign*, so that we may see, and believe You? What work do You perform?

John 6:22–58



31 “Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread out of heaven to eat.’ ”

John 6:22–58



32 Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread out of heaven,

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but it is My Father who gives you the true bread out of heaven.

John 6:22–58



33 “For *the bread of God is that which comes down out of heaven, and gives life to the world.*”

John 6:22–58



34 Then they said to Him, “Lord, always give us this bread.”

John 6:22–58



35 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.

John 6:22–58



Jesus reduced the approach to the Father down to "*coming*" *and* "*believing*."



All religious rituals of approach were fulfilled, and cancelled out, in the Cross.



36 “But I said to you that you have seen Me, and yet do not believe.

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37 “All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and *the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out*.

John 6:22–58



38 “For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

John 6:22–58



39 “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*.

John 6:22–58



40 “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*.”

John 6:22–58



To *behold* is to give something thoughtful and serious consideration, without gazing at anything else.



Beholding, then *believing*, means one has understood and has reached a firm conclusion of faith.



41 Therefore the Jews were grumbling about Him, because He said, “I am the bread that came down out of heaven.”

John 6:22–58



42 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’?”

John 6:22–58



43 Jesus answered and said to them, “Do not grumble among yourselves.

John 6:22–58



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.

John 6:22–58



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.

John 6:22–58



46 “Not that anyone has seen the Father, except the One who is from God; He has seen the Father.

John 6:22–58



47 “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life.

John 6:22–58



48 “*I am the bread of life.*

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49 “*Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died*.

John 6:22–58



50 “This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, so that *one may eat of it and not die*.

John 6:22–58



52 Then the Jews *began* to argue with one another, saying, “How can this man give us *His* flesh to eat?”

John 6:52–53



53 So Jesus said to them,
“Truly, truly, I say to you,
unless you eat the flesh of
the Son of Man and drink
His blood, you have no
life in yourselves.

John 6:52–53



If we have been feeding on the bread of life, we experience physical death only — and that as a temporary condition.



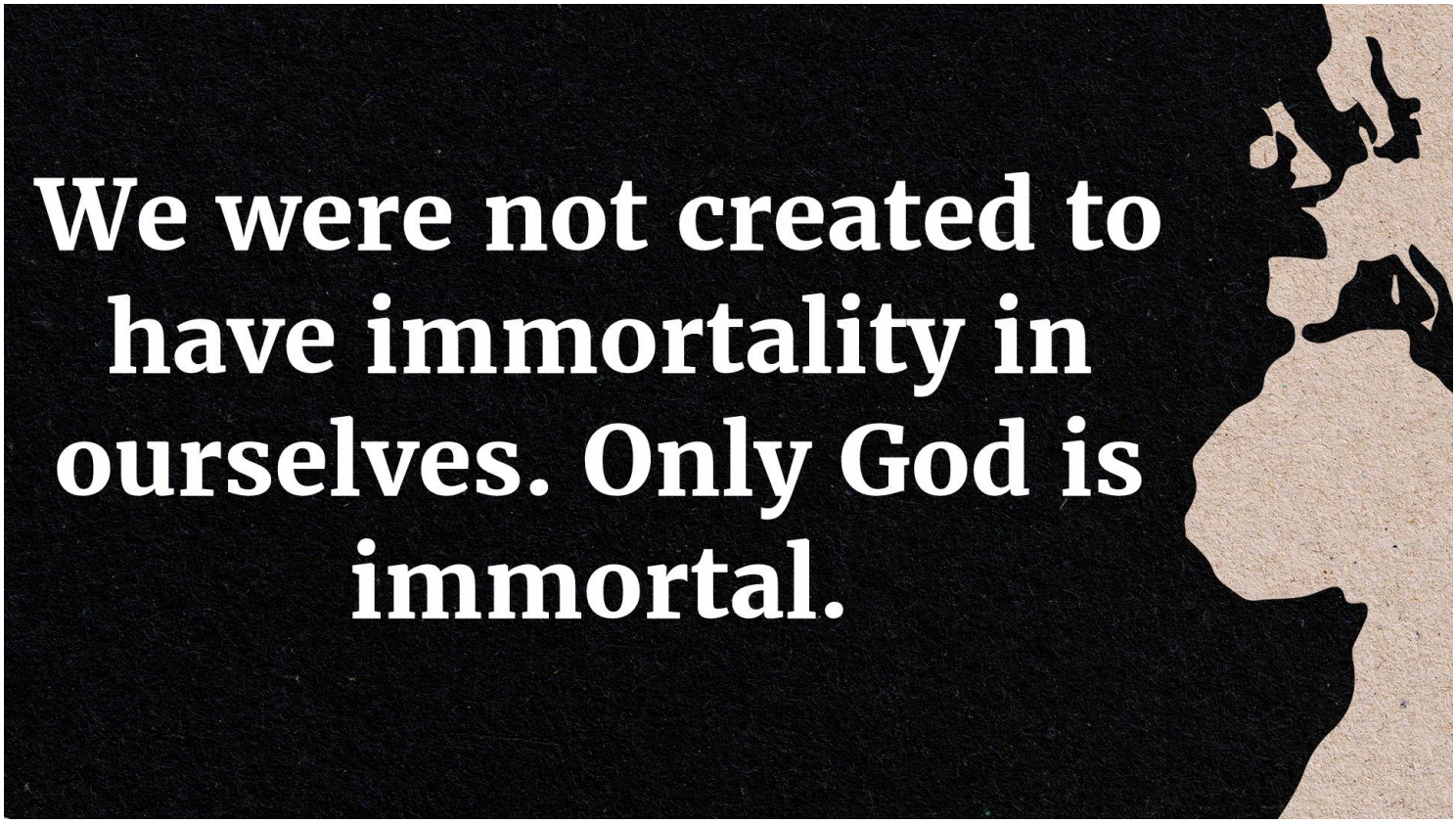
There is a difference between *dying* and *perishing*.



53 So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, *unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves*.

John 6:22–58




We were not created to have immortality in ourselves. Only God is immortal.

We were created to remain dependent on the Tree of Life to remain alive.



Jesus is the "tree" (*bread/ sustainer*) of life. Without Him, we have no hope beyond the grave.



53 So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, *unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves*.

John 6:22–58



54 “He who eats My flesh
and drinks My blood has
eternal life, and I will raise
him up on the last day.

John 6:22–58



55 “For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink.

John 6:22–58



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

John 6:22–58



57 “As the living Father
sent Me, and I live
because of the Father, so
he who eats Me, he also will
live because of Me.

John 6:22–58



58 “This is the bread which came down out of heaven; not as the fathers ate and died; *he who eats this bread will live forever*.”

John 6:22–58

