



## International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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### **Praying Through John 6:35-46**

Dear Heavenly Father, we glorify and praise Your Name because You sent Jesus Christ, Your only Son, from heaven into our world to be the true bread of life. Because of Your great Gift, Jesus, the greatest Gift we could ever receive, we will love You forever — ever remembering that we love You because You first loved us. We will never be able to adequately express our gratitude to You for the forgiveness of sins that we have received, which You made possible by Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross; and in addition, the gift of eternal life that will enable us to enjoy worshiping You forever face to face. Please help us help others come to Jesus and believe in Jesus so they can be completely and forever satisfied in their relationship with You through Jesus. Please help us reassure the anxious seeker and sinner that if they will go to Jesus, He will never drive them away. Father, we thank You for the assurance that the Scriptures give us that because of Your great grace those who believe in Jesus will be eternally given to Him by You. Please help us develop the settled purpose that so characterized His life so completely and perfectly — the purpose to always do Your will and never our own will independently of You that Your will might be done on earth as it is in heaven. As we continue our study of the Scriptures, please help us to not complain about truths we do not understand but pray that the Holy Spirit will lead us into all the truth through further study. Please lead us into all the truth we need to know to be Your good and faithful friends and servants always. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

**Please Note:** I first learned about “Praying Through the Bible” from Edith Schaeffer, the wife of Francis Schaeffer. You might like to close your class with the above prayer as a way of beginning to teach your class how they too can pray through the Bible. First, you might like to teach your class how to pray through the *Verse-by-verse Scripture Handout* each week. [Perhaps some of them would learn how to pray through portions of the Bible during their daily Bible reading and quiet time.] Second, a week in advance, perhaps some of your students would like to write their own “Prayer Through the Bible” using the *Verse-by-verse Scripture Handout* and read their prayer at the close of class. Third, eventually, your students will be able to pray through the Bible without needing to write their prayer in advance before they pray at the end of class. If you would like to learn more about prayer from Edith Schaeffer, read [\*How God Teaches Us to Pray: Lessons from the Lives of Francis and Edith Schaeffer\*](#), Kindle Edition, by L.G. Parkhurst, Jr.

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