

**SUMMARY** | The story of bread in the Bible tells the story of the gospel. Beginning with Abram, God used bread as a symbol of His redemption—of making things right. Bread later became a symbol of God's provision and protection and of worship and sacrifice. And ultimately, Jesus fulfilled the symbolic message of bread in the Bible by taking on the bread curse and letting His body be broken for the redemption of the world. He is the "bread of life" that brings hope even in the midst of famine.

## This Week's Discussion Questions

- 1. What does it mean that "a little yeast" leavens the whole dough? (1 Corinthians 5:6). Bread in the Bible is a picture of God's provision. What are the different ways in which God provides for us?
- 2. How does your church celebrate Communion? Why is it significant that God uses tangible things like bread and wine to represent His story of redemption?
- 3. There is an ugly side of bread in the Bible. What is the bread curse, and how does it help us understand the consequences of the fall? (Genesis 3:19).
- 4. Read John 6:25-59. What does it mean that Jesus is the Bread of Life?

## Challenge

As you think about freshly baked bread, write down the following:

- How you are thankful for the sacrifice of Jesus and what it means to you that His body was broken for you (Luke 22:19).
  - Areas in your life where bad spiritual leaven has spread.
- Ways God has provided for you in the past and how you trust in His provision for you today.

## **Commit To Memory**

"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty".

John 6:35

## **Prayer**

God, my Provider, thank You for the ways You provide for me physically, spiritually, and emotionally. Help me to be someone who helps provide for others.

Amen.

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