

SERMON OUTLINE/NOTES

"The Bread of Life: Eternal Guarantee"

John 6:38-40 (Hebrews 10:1-10)

Introduction

- Two Criteria to keeping a promise or guarantee
 - 1) The ability to do so
 - 2) The integrity (reputation) of the person or company

Jesus' integrity or resolve to keep His promises is presented – the strength of the promises Jesus makes is measured in terms of His willingness to fulfill them (vs. 38-40)

- 1) His Resolve (v. 38):
 - His will is to do God's will – what God purposed Him to do
 - Impossible for Him to do anything, except His Father's will ; it is who He is, as the Second Person of the Triune God (John 5:30; Luke 22:42; Psalm 40:7-8; Isaiah 14:27; 46:11)
- 2) What Jesus resolved to do – the will of His Father defined (vs. 39-40)
 - a) Concerning those given to Jesus (v. 39)
 - Negative – that Jesus should lose no one (Matthew 18:12-14)
 - Positive – Jesus will raise up those given to Him at the last day
 - Perseverance of the saints (the set apart ones)
 - He will sustain them until the end – guaranteed!
 - b) The Guarantee (v. 40)
 - The means – those who see the Son & believe in Him
 - Decreed by God
 - "may" – everlasting life is only to be doubted if the conditions is **NOT** met; that is, seeing and believing in Jesus Christ, as He is revealed in Scripture alone
 - c) Everlasting life is of both, the body and the soul (1 Corinthians 15:54)
 - Jesus will raise up the believer to everlasting life, personally

Conclusion and Application

- The promises made by Jesus are guaranteed; based on the will of the Father for all His Elect – those who come to Jesus in true faith with a broken & contrite heart will persevere to the end - none will be lost forever
- Let all doubt & fear flee from your heart as your soul is comforted with & joy in all that Jesus has done & is doing for your eternal benefit to the glory of God