

John 6:35, 41-51

But when Jesus said that those who come to him will never hunger or thirst. He was talking about something even more important than physical _____ and water. He was talking about that which _____ the soul as well as the body.

We need food for the _____. Not many of us can remember the last time that we were really hungry or thirsty, but we can remember the last time our hearts cried out in pain.

When Jesus promises _____ from hunger and thirst he is addressing the hunger and thirst of our souls as well as the hunger and thirst of our stomachs. He is offering to help us with our deepest needs with our most personal hurt. He is _____ to show us a new direction in life and to give us strength to pursue it.

That doesn't mean that Jesus is promising us a bed of roses. It will help keep things in perspective if we will remember Jesus' cross and his challenge to us to take up our cross. Jesus never intended to give us lives free from _____. He came to dwell among us full of grace and _____. To do so, he endured hunger and thirst — and blistering heat and cold rainy nights. He endured people who tried to trap him with trick questions and throw him off a cliff. Ultimately, he endured the cross.

Jesus didn't intend to _____ our world into a heavenly paradise. Instead, he asks us to carry him into our world — to carry him in our _____ to give the people around us a glimpse of Jesus through our lives. He asks us to love them as he loves them — and to trust him that he will use our small contributions in great ways.

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| A. hearts | D. soul | G. truth |
| B. trouble | E. relief | H. transform |
| C. offering | F. bread | I. nourishes |