

The Lord Jesus Christ says “Eat my Flesh and Live Forever”

About 4 minutes, from John 6: 24-63

Participants (*No need to memorize lines; the aim is to relive sacred events, not to perform*)

Peter

Grasper

Voice (*of Jesus*)

Prompter Shout a brief line and Echoes repeat it.

Echoes Children and all adults who want to take part. Echoes need no script.

Peter I am Peter. We disciples have arrived in Capernaum with Jesus after fed thousands of hungry people in the wilderness. Imagine! Oh, look! Crowds are thronging him! Hear them shout.

Prompter & Echoes More bread!

Voice You seek me because you ate the loaves and they filled you. Do not work for food that perishes, but for food that gives eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you.

Grasper Work? Okay. What can we do to work the works of God?

Voice This is the work of God: believe in him whom he has sent.

Grasper Then give us a sign, so we can believe you. Our fathers ate manna in the desert; Moses gave them bread from heaven. Do for us what Moses did for them.

Voice It was not Moses who gave bread from heaven, but my Father. He gives true bread from heaven that gives life to the world.

Grasper Yes, yes, Lord! Give it to us!

Prompter & Echoes Bread! Now!

Voice I am the bread of life that came down from heaven. He who comes to me will not hunger. All who believe in the Son will have eternal life.

Grasper Well, who do you think you are! Ha! Did you hear what he said, folks? Isn't this Jesus, the son of Joseph? We know his mom, dad and brothers. So how can He say, 'I have come down out of heaven'?

Voice Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. I am the living bread; eat it and you will live forever. This bread is my flesh.

Prompter & Echoes He says to eat His flesh!

- Voice He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life,
and I will raise him up on the last day.
He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me,
and I in him.
- Grasper Whoa! That is too much!
I have heard enough! He is blaspheming.
I am not following that guy anymore. Let's leave.
- Peter Look, Lord Jesus, they're all leaving! Your words offended them.
They all left you, except a few of us disciples.
Your words were very hard.
- Voice Does this make you stumble, Peter?
What if you see the Son of Man rising to where he was before?
The Spirit is who gives life; the flesh profits nothing;
the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.
You do not want to go away also, do you?
- Peter Oh, no, Lord! Never! To whom could we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
- Prompter &Echoes Only you, Lord!