



# Daily Reflections

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## Scripture

### **John 6:35-40**

Jesus said to the crowds,  
"I am the bread of life;  
whoever comes to me will never hunger,  
and whoever believes in me will never thirst.  
But I told you that although you have seen me,  
you do not believe.  
Everything that the Father gives me will come to me,  
and I will not reject anyone who comes to me,  
because I came down from heaven not to do my own will  
but the will of the one who sent me.  
And this is the will of the one who sent me,  
that I should not lose anything of what he gave me,  
but that I should raise it on the last day.  
For this is the will of my Father,  
that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him  
may have eternal life,  
and I shall raise him on the last day."

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## Our Scripture Reflection

Jesus never condemns a person because of their wealth and possessions. What He casts judgment upon is the attitude of one's heart towards wealth

and possessions. What's amazing to me is how our God gives us the ability to adjust our attitude towards stuff. When you buy the new "toy" you thought you just could not live without and after a while feel unsatisfied at the level of the heart, as many do, that's God saying to you: "Don't you need something more precious, more valuable...don't you really need me?" May we hear and heed His voice.

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## **Food for your Journey**

Wendell Berry, writing in his "Cyberjournal" (<http://cyberjournal.com>), says: "We are involved now in a profound failure of imagination. Most of us cannot imagine the wheat beyond the bread, or the farmer beyond the wheat, or the farm beyond the farmer, or the history beyond the farm. Most people cannot imagine the forest and the forest economy that produced their houses and furniture and paper; or the landscapes, the streams and the weather that fill their pitchers and bathtubs and swimming pools with water. Most people appear to assume that when they have paid their money for these things they have entirely met their obligations" ("In Distrust of Movement").

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## **A Prayer from the Heart**

Dear God, My heart's deepest longing is for You. Help me to push all the stuff and needless distractions out of the way and seek You, Amen