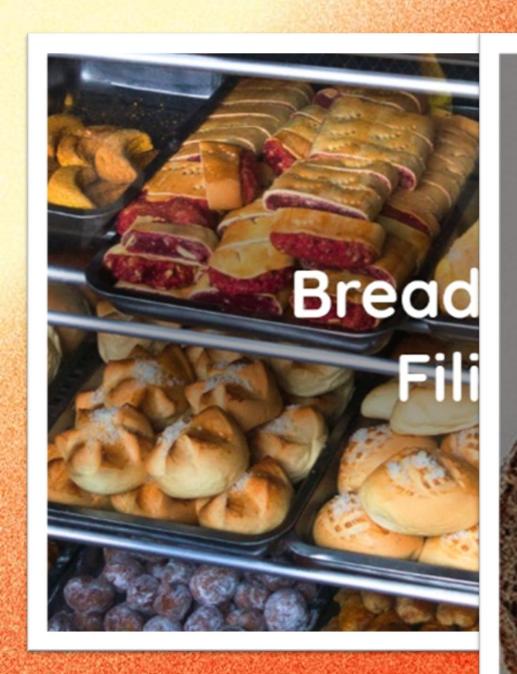


The Power and Beauty of God's Word







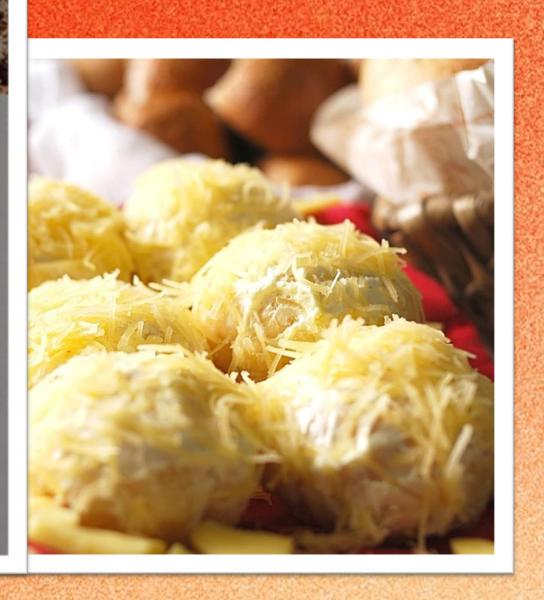




DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...The largest loaf of bread weighed 1,571 kg (3,463.46 lb) and was made by Joaquim Gonçalves in Brazil, on 13 November 2008 in celebration of Guinness World Records Day.





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3 types of FOLLOWERS

Casual Conditional Committed

Once the CROWD realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill.

Casual Followers

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

MATTHEW 16:24

Do not work for the food that spoils...

JOHN 6:27



So they said to him, "What sign then you will give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do?

Conditional Followers

Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat."

Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the TRUE bread from heaven.



Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died.

But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which ANYONE may eat and not die.

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.



TRUE BREAD leads to eternal life.

They said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?"

On hearing it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?"

Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you?

From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

"You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.

Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Committed Followers It's Jesus or nothing!

We do not "make" Christ Lord

He is well.

Those who will not receive Him as lord are guilty of rejecting Him.

John McArthur

So, because you are lukewarm – neither hot nor cold – I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

REVELATION 3:16

We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it.

JOSHUA 1:8