## SERMON-BASED STUDY: WOMAN AT THE WELL, PART 2

**John 4:27-42, ESV** – <sup>27</sup> Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you seek?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" <sup>28</sup> So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, <sup>29</sup> "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" <sup>30</sup> They went out of the town and were coming to him.

<sup>31</sup> Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." <sup>32</sup> But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." <sup>33</sup> So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him something to eat?" <sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work. <sup>35</sup> Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. <sup>36</sup> Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. <sup>37</sup> For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' <sup>38</sup> I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

<sup>39</sup> Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." <sup>40</sup> So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. <sup>41</sup> And many more believed because of his word. <sup>42</sup> They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

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### **QUICK REVIEW**

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

#### **ENGAGE WITH THE MESSAGE**

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This week we learned that too many people marvel at Jesus and too few people move on what He says. Why do you think this happens?

- How can a follower of Jesus make God's mission their most pressing matter?
- Jesus spent extra time with those who lived in the Samaritan town and intentionally invested in them. Why is time and intentionality important when sharing the gospel with others?

#### **DIGGING DEEPER**

- Acts 8:4-8, ESV <sup>4</sup> Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word. <sup>5</sup> Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. <sup>6</sup> And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. <sup>7</sup> For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. <sup>8</sup> So there was much joy in that city.
- Looking at the passage above, we see Philip boldly sharing the gospel message with a city in Samaria. Why was he able to speak boldly? Why do you think the Samaritans were so eager to listen to him?
- Read Acts 6:1-6. What lessons can we learn from the way God used Philip?
- How can believers be ready to share the good news of Jesus at any moment? How can believers be more attentive to God's leading when it comes to sharing the gospel?
- Mark 16:15, ESV 15 And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.
- Acts 1:8, ESV <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
- Looking at the passages above, we see Jesus telling his followers "to go into the world and proclaim the gospel." What is the gospel?

- 8 How do we "proclaim the gospel"?
- In Acts 1:8, Jesus says, "we will be His witnesses." What are we a witness to? Why do we need to share our testimony?

### **TAKING IT HOME**

God's mission is people – making disciples who grow more like Jesus and make more disciples. Everyone who follows Jesus is called to be a part of this mission. How are you doing with being a part of God's mission? How are you doing at investing in the lives of those who are not yet following Jesus? Who is God bringing to your mind that needs to hear the gospel of Jesus? Share with your group or accountability partner what God has been showing you. Pray for one another as you seek to be on mission with Jesus. Pray for those who God is directing you to share the gospel with.

# **PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUEST**

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#### FOR FURTHER STUDY

1 Chronicles 16:23-24 Matthew 24:14, 28:18-20 Luke 24:46-48 John 20:21 Acts 13:47 Romans 10:13-14 1 Peter 2:9-10