

Savior of the World John 4

Introduction

4:1-3 Jesus had to leave Jerusalem as opposition grew.

v 4 Samaritans ?

v 5 “the well”: a precious site to Israel

- Jacob fought for it
- Gave it to Joseph
- Gerizim and Ebal of Moses
- Performed by Joshua

A great place of God that had been commandeered.

v 6 Jesus invades...and sits. He will take this site back

v 7 It's an odd time to draw water
But this woman wants to avoid people.
She is the lowest on the social register

But Jesus initiates conversation.
... about a common need – physical life

This is how we build relationships – life!

v 8 He is alone. Men don't normally do this.

v 9 Though he is friendly, she is rude.

v 10 He responds with gentleness.

He creates curiosity.

v 11 Sir! Respect grows as He's been nice.

But she is in the dark to spiritual things.

v 12 She is also impertinent and erroneous
She claims superiority over the people of God,
even though, she is a domestic, moral disaster.

v 13 The physical water means nothing

v 14 It will never satisfy the soul.

But I give spiritual life! continued internal rebirth

v 15 But still she is all physical
... clueless to the things of God.
Make my life easier and happier.

v 16 But there is something she has to deal with before
enlightenment can occur. Sin.

v 17 Her answer? Is a lie...a cover up.

“he who loves the darkness”

v 18 “I know everything about you. Your past and present. I
know your dodges.”

v 19 Her view grows: “Prophet”
v 20 But another dodge to get the issue off her guilt.
“Let’s debate religion.”

v 21 “Who cares”
“From now on your location means “0””

v 22 He corrects her attitude of spiritual pride.
“Your worship is errant”
“Your knowledge is false”
“Because you do not come through the inspired word
through Israel.

“You don’t believe the Bible.”

v 23 But you’re okay.
Because the Law is about to pass away.
about to become the “Old Testament”
Giving way to grace

- worship from a new heart (“spirit”) Conversion!
- and, in truth

v 24 Because God is omnipresent
men must worship Him as such.
In the cathedral of their hearts.

v 25 The last dodge.

- deception
 - diversion
 - dismissal

v 26 The truth has come and you’re looking at it.
“I am the one speaking.”
“ God has come among you.”

v 27 A woman?
A Samaritan? All breaches of social decorum

But no one wondered what was happening because
you can tell when a Gentile is broken and “turns to
God from his idols to serve the living God.”

v 28 Why?! Physical life was everything.
But now she sees all things clearly,
because she has seen and heard from
and met God...and been forgiven.

v 29 “A man, A God, The Christ? Come...and see”

v 30 They came.... why?

- the most incredible ideas
- visible proof of the woman

v 31 – 33 The 12 are just as clueless as the woman.
v 34 A higher life ... the saving of man.
v 35 And “the work” has begun with the coming of Jesus
v 36 “Life eternal!”

v 37 All are in the same work...
we are just to be faithful.

v 38 “others” Christ and the woman

v 39 “Many...” Why? They saw a changed life.

v 40 – 42 But now they have their own experience/
“You were right!”