

THE GOSPEL *of* JOHN

CHAPTER 4:1-26

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

“The Bad Samaritan” – Part 2

THE THEME OF BOOK:

John 1:12

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Worship, Holy Spirit, Living Water, Eternal life

Last time together, we were introduced to the fact the Jesus was divinely aware of His pre-determined appointments that He had with certain people in certain places. Throughout scripture we read of Jesus going to a certain city or seeing a certain man...

The Biblically Jesus is Searching Jesus

Who You Are And Where You're At
Is Very Important to God

4 But He needed to go through Samaria. 5 So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar

1.)	<i>Jesus keeps His appointments</i>	<i>vv. 1-6</i>
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2.)	<i>Jesus desires life for all of us</i>	<i>vv. 7-12</i>
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3.)	<i>Jesus stands ready to meet your need</i>	<i>vv. 13-15</i>
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Because there, in an unacceptable region, Samaria. Dwelling in an unacceptable city, Sychar. Existed an unacceptable woman, Who's name we don't even know!

- but we do know that she was a woman who had been ostracized from the common people;

- she is seen carrying her own water pot to the distant well of jacob's in the heat of the day – at the noon hour!
- we know that she must have been tired, tired of the long dry walk to the well just to fetch water

So in This encounter of John 4 we see Jesus doing what no other religionist would do – He went to those who needed Him the most – even if they didn't understand their deep personal need for Him

1 Corinthians 5:9-10

I wrote to you in my epistle not to keep company with sexually immoral people. Yet I certainly did not mean with the sexually immoral people of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or idolaters, **since then you would need to go out of the world.**

This Woman's Life Could Well Speak of Salvation

which is the need of every human heart and soul

This Woman's Life Could Well Speak of the Revival

that is needed in the life of those who know a little about God

This Woman's Life Could Well Speak of Your Existence

there's blood in her veins and air in her lungs but outside of that there isn't really much to life

She Must Wonder if She Has a Life at All

She Has Given Herself to One Relationship after Another Until she has become Numb...

SHE NEEDS JESUS AND SHE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IT

(Could That Be True in Your Life Today. That You Need Jesus Christ Above All Else and You Don't even realize it?)

(Could it be that what you have thought or believed in is really nothing more than an elaborate mind game to explain and justify your life?)

THE BAD SAMARITAN

Is about to be awakened to her true need in life....

Real Worship

1.) *The anatomy of worship*

vv. 16-20

16 Jesus said to her, "**Go, call your husband, and come here.**" 17 The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "**You have well said, 'I have no husband,'** 18 **"for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly."** 19 The woman said to Him, "**Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet.** 20 "Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship."

a.) *It must be of a proper heart*

v. 16-18

Verse 16

Jesus said to her,
"Go, call your husband, and come here

He Begins Here Divine Surgery!

Face The Reality
of What You Have Been and Who You Are
God requires us to face the truth
Truth is - We're Thirsty

Go, call your husband, and come here
PAINFULLY PROVOKING FAITH

He is Wounding Her Soul, And Awakening Her Heart

John 7:37-38

On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. 38 "He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

Isaiah 49:10

They shall neither hunger nor thirst, neither heat nor sun shall strike them; for He who has mercy on them will lead them, even by the springs of water He will guide them.

Verse 17

The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,'"

Quick and to the Point

"I have no husband."

"You have well said, 'I have no husband,'"

(He doesn't Offer Excuses for her)

(He doesn't suggest that her problems are all because she is the victim here)

Psalm 51:17

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart-- these, O God, You will not despise.

!!! OUR DEEP PERSONAL CRISIS IS OURS !!!

The London Economists

Stated recently that "The once strong, resilient and creative Yankee of the America past (which made them the envy of the world), Has sadly become an America Obsessed with Fixing Blame on others. Americans Today are a Montage of What their mothers did wrong, what their father's did wrong, what their husbands have done and what their wives have done... It seems as though America's new National Anthem has become "A Sniveling Whine"

as long as I'm giving excuses I'm still
hiding

as long as I'm blaming others / you/I cannot experience
God's healing

Matthew 11:28-30

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Her Response is Classic...

What Husband? -- "Bad Ole' Husband"

"Empty, Lonely Life"

The Truth of the Matter is
You're In Great Need Woman

Verse 18

"for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly."

Jesus Cuts Directly
into Her Heart

Woman, I Know You - - Every Thing About You

This is Every Man's Fear - - Every Woman's
Fear

Isaiah 6:1
In The Year That King Uzziah Died...

Revelation 5:6

And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes...

of a proper heart
The anatomy of worship

b.) It must flow from a reverent spirit **v. 19**

The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet

Samaritans as well as Jews

Believed That True Prophets of God Had Special Insights Given by God
into the Lives of People

Luke 7:39

Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, "This man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner."

c.) It must cost us to offer it **v. 20**

"Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship."

I Believe She's Truly Thirsty for Real Life

She Remembers That Sin Requires Sacrifice

Worship (O.T.)

shachah (shaw-khaw')

to stoop to, prostrate oneself in homage. To do reverence, to adore

- the meaning is to kiss the hand

Worship (N.T.)

proskuneo (pros-koo-neh'-o)

“To Kiss the Hand” is an act Reserved for God !!!

What is Worship?

- It's Not Singing Hymns or Songs
 - It's Not Reading the Bible
- It's Not Giving Back What He has Given
- It's Not even Prayer and Thanksgiving...

*It's Having a Heart That is First
Rooted and Enraptured in Him, for
Who He Is...*

we must sing, can't wait to read, looking forward to
tithe, let's pray

2 Samuel 24:24

"I will not offer burnt offerings to the LORD my God with that which costs me nothing."

Mark 12:41-44

41 And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much. 42 And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites, which make a farthing. 43 And he called unto him his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury: 44 For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.

Verse 20

Where do I go Mr. Prophet – Please Tell Me

"Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship."

2.) The geography of worship

vv. 21-24

21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. 22 "You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. 23 "But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

a.) It must come from heaven

v. 21-22

21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. 22 "You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.

She's been Brought to Conviction

Because she is seeking the right place to go and make an offering for her sin

But Jesus Has Some Good News For Her

IT'S NOT EITHER TEMPLE!

IT'S NOT WHERE LADY – IT'S WHOM

Matthew 5:6

Blessed (Happy) are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Verse 22

"You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.

...of the Jews

Hosea 5:14-15

For I will be like a lion to Ephraim, and like a young lion to the house of Judah. I, even I, will tear them and go away; I will take them away, and no one shall rescue. 15 I will

return again to My place till they acknowledge their offense. Then they will seek My face; in their affliction they will earnestly seek Me."

Revelation 5:5

...Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed

b.) It must arrive in spirit

v. 23a

"But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit

From the Human Spirit
(from a converted heart – a new heart)