

THE GOSPEL *of* JOHN

CHAPTER 4:1-26

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

“The Bad Samaritan” – Part 3

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:

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Worship, Holy Spirit, Living Water, Eternal life

J.C. Ryle

Christ Church, Oxford, England 1865

“It is vain to expect that such a person as this would voluntarily come to us and begin to seek the knowledge of God. We must first go down to them in a spirit of courteous and friendly aggression....” “...We must seek the best avenue into their hearts and the most likely way of arresting their attention. There is a handle to every man’s mind – and we must get hold of it.”

Go, call your husband, and come

SEEKING CONVICTION

**He’s Wounding Her Soul,
In Order to Awakening Her Heart**

“The only way to prepare the soil of the heart to receive the word, is to plow it up with the blade of conviction.”

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Hosea 10:12

Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground, for it is time to seek the LORD...

Conviction

*turns on the light that shines on the soul,
and sin is recognized as being personal*

Conversion

*Is when that guilty soul calls out to the judge in confession,
And pardon is requested*

Salvation

*Is the result of a wayward sinner having come to Christ,
seeking forgiveness of sins*

John 16:7-8

.... I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. 8 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment...

Romans 3:19

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

THIS BAD SAMARITAN

Was About to Experience Real Worship

There is No Real Worship
without Understanding what Real Worship is

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

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

He Began His Divine Surgery!

Face The Reality

Verse 17

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

**A Quick and to the Point,
"I have no husband."**

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

(He doesn't Offer Excuses for Her)

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 Profits of God Had Special Insights Given by God
into the Lives of People*

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."

She Remembered That Sin Requires Sacrifice

It's Having a Heart That is First Rooted and Enraptured with Him, for Who He Is!

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

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IT'S NOT IN EITHER TEMPLE!

An Earthly Structure Cannot House God

Acts 7:48-49

"However, the Most High does not dwell in temples made with hands, as the prophet says: 49 'Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool. What house will you build for Me? says the Lord, or what is the place of My rest?"

He is a Living God Who's Interested in Living Temples

1 Corinthians 3:16

Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

Dwelling among us, has Always Been His Desire

Ezekiel 37:14

"I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live,

1 Peter 2:4-5

Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, 5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

You Are The New Location!!!

It's You and I as Living Sanctuaries

Truth and Spirit must Reside in Us
The geography of worship

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**
...for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

**To worship in spirit
is to worship...**

With The Whole of Who You Are

spirit grk pneuma (pnyoo'-mah)
a current of air, i.e. breath (blast) or a breeze; **to have a disposition.**
(Not an Air-Head) but a windy heart, deep seated source,
fountainhead

**We Have Been Born anew
in the spirit (human)**

The geography of worship

It must arrive in spirit and...

c.) *It must be in truth*

v. 23b-24

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

...for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

**To worship in Truth
is to worship...**

With The Whole of What You Are

truth grk aletheia (al-ay'-thi-a);

That which is evidence, clean of falsehood, pure in source , to function with internal truth (core) "**To worship with the understanding of the facts "**

The Truth is...

You and I are No Longer what we once were

Verse 24

**"God is Spirit, and those who worship Him
must worship in spirit and truth."**

**for the Father is seeking
such to worship Him**

seeking grk 2212 zeteo (dzay-teh'-o);

be (go) about, desire, endeavor, to make enquire (for), require, (X will) seek (after, for, means).

**There is no Association with God unless We
approach Him through worship, in spirit, and
in truth...**

2.) *The geography of worship*

vv. 21-24

3.) *The epitome of worship*

vv. 25-26

25 The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ).
"When He comes, He will tell us all things." 26 Jesus said to her,
"I who speak to you am He."

a.) *Is coming before God*

v. 25a

The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming"
(who is called Christ).

- She was a choice sinner.
- She had this life's scars etched deep
- She had become cynical

**But she had been taught
that Messiah was to come someday
She Believed that the Savior
was coming**

Do You Believe He's Coming?

b.) *Is knowing that He knows*

v. 25b

"When He comes, He will tell us **all things**."

She wasn't afraid of that fact – she embraced it

c.) *Is seeing Him ever greater*

v. 26

Jesus said to her,
"I who speak to you am He."

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Very unlike His meeting with Nicodemus, Jesus tells her plainly the He was the very Christ of the world...

In Just a handful of Scriptures Does Jesus Declare Himself As God

- Here is one of them...

But That All Changes When We Come to Worship Him

The End