Jesus at Jacob’s Well

John 4
Therefore, when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John (though Jesus Himself did not baptize, but His disciples), He left Judea and departed again to Galilee. But He needed to go through Samaria.

JOHN 4:1–4
Jesus at Jacob’s Well

• Jesus made an unlikely connection through universal human needs
So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob’s well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

JOHN 4:5–6
A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give Me a drink.” For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

JOHN 4:7–9
Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, “How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?” For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.

JOHN 4:7–9
Jesus at Jacob’s Well

• Jesus made an unlikely connection through universal human needs
• Jesus gave the woman the opportunity to consider spiritual truths
Jesus answered and said to her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.”

JOHN 4:10-14
The woman said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?”

JOHN 4:10–14
Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

JOHN 4:10-14
Jesus at Jacob’s Well

• Jesus made an unlikely connection through universal human needs
• Jesus gave the woman the opportunity to consider spiritual truths
• Jesus challenged the woman to deal with her defiled conscience
The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw.”

JOHN 4:15–18
Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.”

The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.”

**JOHN 4:15–18**
Jesus said to her, “You have well said, ‘I have no husband,’ for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly.”

JOHN 4:15–18
Jesus at Jacob’s Well

• Jesus made an unlikely connection through universal human needs
• Jesus gave the woman the opportunity to consider spiritual truths
• Jesus challenged the woman to deal with her defiled conscience
• Jesus directed her spiritual confusion toward the truth of God the Father and Jesus the Christ
The woman said to Him, “Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.”

JOHN 4:19–20
The Samaritan Penteteuch

Exodus 20:13–17 — “You shall not murder. “You shall not commit adultery. “You shall not steal. “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor’s.” And it shall be, on the day when you cross over the Jordan to the land which the LORD your God is giving you, that you shall set up for yourselves large stones, and whitewash them with lime. ... Therefore it shall be, when you have crossed over the Jordan, that on Mount [Gerazim] you shall set up these stones, which I command you today, ... And there you shall build an altar to the LORD your God, an altar of stones; you shall not use an iron tool on them. You shall build with whole stones the altar of the LORD your God, and offer burnt offerings on it to the LORD your God. You shall offer peace offerings, and shall eat there, and rejoice before the LORD your God.
Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.

JOHN 4:21–24
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. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

JOHN 4:21–24
The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When He comes, He will tell us all things.”

JOHN 4:25–26
“And the LORD said to me: ‘What they have spoken is good. I will raise up for them a Prophet like you from among their brethren, and will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him. And it shall be that whoever will not hear My words, which He speaks in My name, I will require it of him.

DEUTERONOMY 18:17–19
Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am He.”

JOHN 4:25–26
Jesus at Jacob’s Well

- Jesus made an unlikely connection through human weakness
- Jesus gave the woman the opportunity to consider spiritual truths
- Jesus challenged the woman to deal with her defiled conscience
- Jesus directed her spiritual confusion toward the truth of God the Father and Jesus the Christ
- Jesus reaped a harvest of faith and joy
The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, "Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" Then they went out of the city and came to Him.

JOHN 4:28–30
And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, “He told me all that I ever did.” So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His own word.

JOHN 4:39–42
Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world.”

JOHN 4:39–42
Jesus at Jacob’s Well

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Reasons to do as Jesus did...

• Jesus and His gospel need to go wherever there are hearts that will receive it
He left Judea and departed again to Galilee. But He needed to go through Samaria.

JOHN 4:3-4
Reasons to do as Jesus did...

• Jesus and His gospel need to go wherever there are hearts that will receive it
• Bringing a soul to Christ is more satisfying than eating and drinking
Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.

JOHN 4:34-38
Reasons to do as Jesus did...

• Jesus and His gospel need to go wherever there are hearts that will receive it
• Bringing a soul to Christ is more satisfying than eating and drinking
• The harvest is often ready whether it is obvious to us or not
Do you not say, ‘There are still four months and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!

JOHN 4:34–38
Reasons to do as Jesus did...

• Jesus and His gospel need to go wherever there are hearts that will receive it
• Bringing a soul to Christ is more satisfying than eating and drinking
• The harvest is often ready whether it is obvious to us or not
• For the wages, the fruit and the joy
And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.

JOHN 4:34-38
Reasons to do as Jesus did...

• Jesus and His gospel need to go wherever there are hearts that will receive it
• Bringing a soul to Christ is more satisfying than eating and drinking
• The harvest is often ready whether it is obvious to us or not
• For the wages, the fruit and the joy
• God and His servants have been laboring to prepare the souls of men and sow the seed there, we need to harvest what has been sown
For in this the saying is true: ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors.”

JOHN 4:34–38
Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

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