

### **INTERESTED IN JOINING A HOME GROUP?**

In a world that is increasingly distant, Home Groups are a way to draw near to God and one another. See the opportunities on our website at [www.trinityonline.org](http://www.trinityonline.org).

### **YOUR WORLD**

Sometimes God puts someone in your world that grabs your heart. For you, who is that? How are they like or different from you? Why do you think they are significant to you?

### **LEARN FROM GOD'S WORD, THE BIBLE**

Our focus this week is on John 4:27-42. (You can hear the message by Bill Born on our website.)

Our passage for the week continues the encounter of Jesus with a Samaritan woman.

Read John 4:3-42. Consider the following questions about 4:27-42.

What signs are there in this passage that the woman genuinely believed?

Jesus and the woman spoke of several things. What did she choose to say to the people? Why this choice? (28-29)

Why would the woman's words persuade people to stop what they were doing and make their way toward Jesus? (30)

In the discourse about "food," what does Jesus want His disciples (and us) to learn? (31-34)

In this passage, what were the people learning about knowing and following Jesus? (27-42)

His disciples:

The townspeople:

The woman:

When discussing His "work," what was Jesus teaching the disciples (and us) about kingdom work? (34-38)

(Comment: Jesus said that they would "reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work. . . ." (38) This could refer to John the Baptizer who was working in the area, calling people to repentance. It could also be referring to Jesus' work with the woman who was now bringing back people from the town.)

How are the final sentences (39-42) an example of fruit from the work of the woman?

How is the author, John, connecting the words of the townspeople to John 3:16-17? (42)

Read again verse 29, the one sentence testimony and question of the woman. What would your one sentence testimony include?

### **DISCUSS TOGETHER**

Jesus' passion to do the "will and work of God" led Him to go "to" Samaria rather than go "through" Samaria. How does this inform us about God's passion which is to be our passion? What would "to" versus "through" look like in our daily lives?

Jesus called the disciples (and us) to "open your eyes and look at the fields." What does He want us to "see?" What keeps us from seeing? Listening? Caring? Engaging?

How do we bring people to "come and see" Jesus when he is not sitting at the well? How do we do this together?

### **JOINING WITH JESUS IN THE WILL AND WORK OF GOD**

Anthony shared (on Sunday) about walking through the "Gospel of Mark" with his brothers. (He used the curriculum called, "Christianity Explored.")

What is something that will help you to join Jesus in the will and work of God?

What is something that your group could do together to bring people to Jesus?

### **LET'S PRAY**

- Please pray for the people in your world who are not yet "in Christ"
- Please pray for our global partners
- Please pray for our Kid's Ministries as they expand the team