

Jesus and the Evangelizing of the Samaritan Woman, Part Two John 4:7-14

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- As the Samaritan woman is getting her water, Jesus says, “would you give me a drink?”
- Now the woman immediately goes “racial” on Jesus, obviously recognizing the racial differences between her and Him

“How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?” For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans

Observations

- Notice in Jesus' conversation with this woman, the progression of spiritual development which ends up with her coming to the knowledge of Christ, Verse 29 of John 4
- She profiles Him as a member of a race of people
- He responds by identifying Himself not as the receiver but the giver of water
- She thought He needed help
- Jesus lets her know, you really need me, and I don't need you

Verse 10

“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.”

God doesn't need us. We need Him!

Acts 17:24-25

“God who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands.”

“Nor is He worshipped with men’s hands , as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things.”

She retorts in Verses 11-12

“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 livestock?”

Jesus Answers Her Back in Verse 13

“Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water I shall give him will never thirst. But the water I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up to everlasting life.”

The Woman Was Still Thinking Physical

Jesus Was Now On a Spiritual Level

- He was saying the world **cannot** make you “happy”. “Go out and live for the world.” “It will not satisfy you. It will only pacify the present.” “You’ll just keep on looking for happiness” (ex. Whitney, Prince, Michael, Steve Jobs)
“But if you will give me your heart and drink from my word, you’ll find true happiness.”
- Remember the rich man in Luke 12
- One of the realities of life is death
- Realize that what you get to do in life, or get to buy, or where you get to live, is temporary

Observations

- In verse 15, the woman is still thinking physical
- She ask Jesus to give her some of His water so that she will not have to come back to the well again
- Jesus realizes that He has got to involve her heart with an abrupt turn of the conversation (create a spiritual deficit)

• In Verse 16, He says to her “Go call your husband and come back”

• Verse 17, she says “I have no husband”

You ever have somebody give you a smoke screen? (bring up something or some idea to cloud the issue)

You are discussing them but they bring up someone else

They bring up somebody else to hide the substance of their guilt

Or like this woman, they give you an answer that is technically true, but half true, “*I’m just living single*”

Observations

- The woman was technically right, but her heart was wrong
- Jesus deals with our hearts too! (Matthew 12:34)
- This Samaritan woman ask for living water, but she didn't know that the well *must be dug first in her heart*
- **Grace and Mercy were there for her but the rocks of sinful transgression had to be dug out before salvation could be obtained**
- **Sin had to be confessed. Her conscience had to be aroused**

Observations

- Verse 17 Jesus says, you are right, you have no husband, *“for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you have now is not your husband”*.
- *She had fallen so deeply in a sinful way of life that she didn't even go through the legal sanction of marriage anymore.*
- *Jesus let her know that GOD knew her present social living conditions as he does ours*
- *Before you reach your full potential through God's grace and mercy, you have got to get rid of your sinful ways*

Verse 39

“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.”

This woman converted many in her town to the Lord because of her testimony

The Plan of Salvation

Hear the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Believe the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Repent of Sins

Acts 17:30

Confess Christ

Acts 8:37

Be Baptized

Acts 8:38