

BIBLE WOMEN - SAMARITAN - WATER CARRIER TO GOSPEL BEARER

JOHN 4:5-45

We learn many lessons from the story of the woman at the well.

- I. JESUS TOOK THE INITIATIVE (vs. 7)
 - A. He told her about the Living Water
 - 1. We should take every opportunity to tell others
 - 2. Loved ones, friends, outreach, business, etc.
 - B. He dealt with her alone, good example of personal work
 - 1. Salvation not "in a crowd" / individual matter
 - 2. Example: Child follows another forward at VBS

- II. SHE BECAME INTERESTED (vs. 9-14)
 - A. One must be TOLD in order to hear (ROM. 10:17)
 - 1. God's Plan is through preaching
 - 2. Witnessing - PROCLAIMING 1 COR. 1:18-24
 - B. It is the GOSPEL for all people / whosoever (vs. 14)
 - 1. Every race, class, sex, age, language
 - 2. Whosoever (ACTS 10:43) WHOSOEVER (REV. 22:17)

- III. JESUS INTERROGATED HER (vs. 16)
 - A. She asked about her interest (water at the well)
 - 1. The Philippian Jailor asked (ACTS 16:30-31)
 - 2. Not enough people are INTERESTED today
 - 3. Talk about ball games, cars, fishing, etc.
 - B. Jesus asked her about her "husband" (vs. 16-19)
 - 1. Sin must be confronted for Salvation
 - 2. Repentance is TURNING from self/sin (2 PET. 3:9)
 - C. The Holy Spirit of God interrogates US (Conviction)

- IV. SHE INTRODUCED HIM
 - A. She left her waterpot - worldly desires (vs. 28)
 - 1. No more concerned about her former shame
 - 2. Now she had a desire to see others saved!
 - B. She witnessed! (vs. 29)
 - C. She helped win others! (vs. 39-42)
 - 1. It was a source of great joy to her
 - 2. It should be to us as well JOHN 15:1, 5, 8, & 11

CONCLUSION: She was no more just a water carrier, now she is a Gospel bearer! Once an immoral woman, now a victorious believer!

ROM. 10:17 - "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

ACTS 10:43 - "To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins."

REV. 22:17 - "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

ACTS 16:30-31 - "And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? (31) And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

2 PET. 3:9 - "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."