

# Getting People Interested (John 4:4-42)

*Change Your World – Part 3*

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*Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV) Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.*

*Matthew 24:14 (NIV) And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.*

## 1. \_\_\_\_\_ people where they're at

*John 4:6 (NIV) Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.*

### 1A. Don't rule \_\_\_\_\_ out

*John 4:7 (NIV) When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?"*

### 1B. Bring spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ into the conversation

*John 4:10 (NIV) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."*

### 1C. Answer genuine \_\_\_\_\_

*John 4:11 (NIV) "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water?"*

*John 4:13-14 (NIV) Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."*

*John 4:15 (NIV) The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."*

## 2. Rely on the \_\_\_\_\_

### 2A. Ask for \_\_\_\_\_

*John 4:16-18 (NIV) He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband."*

### 2B. Side-step \_\_\_\_\_

*John 4:20 (NIV) Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."*

*John 4:21, 23 (NIV) "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.*

### 2C. Bring the focus to \_\_\_\_\_

*John 4:25-26 (NIV) The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us." Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you—I am he."*

## 3. Expect to reap a \_\_\_\_\_

### 3A. Each person reached will reach \_\_\_\_\_

*John 4:28-30 (NIV) Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" They came out of the town and made their way toward him.*

### 3B. Many are \_\_\_\_\_ to be saved

*John 4:35 (NIV) Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.*

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Intro. What are your thoughts when you think about changing your world?

In what ways does Matthew 28:19-20 apply to every believer?

What does Matthew 24:14 indicate about the priority of outreach?

Do you think people are interested in spiritual things in our society? Why or why not?

1A. How did Jesus reach out and break cultural taboos at the same time with the Samaritan woman (John 4:6-7)?

1B. What principles can you learn from Jesus' example of turning an everyday conversation to spiritual matters (John 4:10)?

1C. Describe what Jesus accomplished with the Samaritan woman in the conversation in John 4:11-15.

1D. How could you use a similar approach to getting people interested in spiritual things today?

2A. What impact did Jesus' supernatural discernment of the woman's present and past have on her (John 4:16-19)?

2B. How did the woman try to sidetrack the conversation by contrasting Jewish and Samaritan worship (John 4:20)? How did Jesus bring the conversation back on track (John 4:21-24)?

2C. How did Jesus bring the focus of the conversation ultimately to Himself (John 4:25-26)?

2D. Why must we eventually bring everyone to answer the question 'Who is Jesus'?

3A. How did Jesus' conversation with the woman impact many others (John 4:28-30, 39-42)?

3B. In what ways are the fields ripe for harvest today (John 4:35)?

3C. What other ideas do you have for getting people in your life interested in spiritual matters? Who in your life do you desire to reach out to?