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DECEMBER 5, 2021 / OPEN YOUR MIND / JOHN 4:19-30 OUR TRUE CALLING IS TO HELP PEOPLE DISCOVER JESUS

ONE OF OUR BARRIERS TO SHARING OUR FAITH RESULTS FROM WHAT PEOPLE THINK ABOUT GOD. JESUS CONTINUES TO ENGAGE THE WOMAN AT THE WELL BY HELPING HER HAVE A CHANGE OF MIND TO CHANGE HER LIFE. THE SURFACE ISSUE OF THE CONFLICT OF JEWS AND GENTILES COVERS HER DESIRE FOR GRACE, HOPE, AND ACCEPTANCE. THIS PORTION OF THE CONVERSATION (JOHN 4:19-26) REMINDS US TO SEE PEOPLE AS JESUS WOULD AND INVITE THEM TO DISCOVER HIM FOR THEMSELVES.

READ John 4:1-42 (focus on 4:19-30)

1. How has your perspective on God changed in the last few years? Has He challenged the way you think about him?

2. As you consider the whole conversation that Jesus has with the Samaritan woman (John 4:1-26), what were some deeper hopes and desires that she was waiting for?

3. What word appears ten times in this passage (John 4:19-26)? What's the significance of this word in the conversation with Jesus?

4. What vision of salvation is Jesus sharing with the woman and ultimately with us? How does this vision shape how we practice the habit of share your faith? (John 4:22-23)

5. What are some misconceptions that people have about Jesus? What are ways that Jesus meets people's deepest needs?

6. Who is one person you have been praying for in this series? How does this message today help you see them as Jesus would have you see them?

LORD, HELP ME HAVE A CHANGE OF MIND FOR A CHANGED LIFE AND HELP ME TO INVITE OTHERS TO DO THE SAME.