

A New Universal Outreach of the Gospel

John 4:1-26

John's Purpose

"Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name." (John 20:30-31)

John 2:1-4:54 – The Newness, Greatness, Superiority and Abundance of the New Messianic Age

- Ch. 2 – Wedding at Cana
- Ch. 2 – Jesus clears/cleanses the temple
- Ch. 3 – Jesus and Nicodemus
- Ch. 4 – The Samaritan Woman at the well
- Ch. 4 – Healing of the Nobleman's son (Cana)

¹Therefore when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John ²(although Jesus Himself was not baptizing, but His disciples were), ³He left Judea and went away again into Galilee. ⁴And He had to pass through Samaria. ⁵So He came to a city of Samaria called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph; ⁶and Jacob's well was there. So Jesus, being wearied from His journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." ⁸For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. ⁹Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered and said to her, "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." ¹¹She said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? ¹²You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?"

¹³Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty nor come all the way here to draw." ¹⁶He said to her, "Go, call your husband and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have correctly said, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly." ¹⁹The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet.

²⁰ Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you *people* say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.” ²¹ Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” ²⁵ The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us.” ²⁶ Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am *He*.”

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Outline:

1. The Divine Appointment *Arranged* (v.1-6)
2. The Divine Appointment/*Dialogue* (v.7-15)
3. The Divine Appointment's *Revelation* (v. 16-26)

The Divine Appointment Arranged (v.1-6)

- Jesus passing through Samaria encompasses more than just geographical significance, it is an ordained travel log.
- Being in complete unison with the Father, Jesus is in the *perfect* place at the *perfect* time with the *perfect* message.

The Divine Appointment /Dialogue (v.7-15)

- No one is out of the reach of the grace of God. He will break down every cultural, social, gender, political or religious barrier to bring grace to those who are seeking.
- Just like this woman, our world is constantly searching for that one thing that will satisfy the very deepest need of the soul

The Divine Appointment Revelation (v.16-26)

- Without the recognition of the magnitude of our sin it is impossible for us to see the Greatness of our Savior.
- Jesus corrects her beliefs, renders the debate irrelevant and instructs her on what is coming.

The Divine Appointment Revelation (v.16-26)

- New Covenant worship is a heart disposition toward God, through the work of the son by the regeneration power of the Holy Spirit
- This woman is the representative that upon Christ's death and resurrection, all people, tribe and tongue will have access to God.

Implications

- Jesus sits at this well, just as the patriarchs did and He chooses his New Bride.
- Jesus reveals one of the most important transitions in redemptive history in this story and it means you and I can know, worship and enjoy eternal life with him.