



Title | Relationally Safe &
Biblically Sound
Series | BRING LIFE
Text | John 4:1-42
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Sermon Notes

John 4:1 Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John 2 (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), 3 he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. 4 And he had to pass through Samaria. 5 So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. 7 A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8 (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." 13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

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For Reflection & Application:

Monday:

Read Matthew 4:1-10; 12:40; Luke 24:44-48. What do these verses reveal concerning how Jesus views and interprets Scripture? What does this have to do with being biblically sound?

Tuesday:

Read Matthew 5:17-48. If Jesus is relationally safe, does it appear from this text that it involves relaxed moral standards and indifference toward sin?

Wednesday:

Read John 4:1-42. In what ways is Jesus relationally safe in his conversation with the woman at the well?

Thursday:

Reread John 4:1-42. Does Jesus condone all the decisions this woman has made or her current living situation? How do you know? And if not, why doesn't he point out the sins in which she may be involved?

Friday:

In what specific ways can you be like Jesus in being relationally safe and biblically sound? Why do you think this can be a difficult balance? Where is the greatest room for growth in your life?

Daily Prayer:

Lord, show me how I can be more like Jesus in being relationally safe and biblically sound. Thank you for your word to me in Scripture. Help me to come under its authority and to apply it. Help me to bring life to my world. Amen.