

The Village Well

John 4:4-42
August 30, 2009

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1. We Need to Go Outside the Church

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- Come vs. Go

Israel: Come!

"³²Also concerning the foreigner who is not from Your people Israel, when he **comes from a far country** for Your great name's sake and Your mighty hand and Your outstretched arm, when they **come** and pray toward **this house**,

Israel: Come!

"³³then hear from heaven, from Your dwelling place, and do according to all for which the foreigner calls to You, in order that all the peoples of the earth may know Your name, and fear You as *do* Your people Israel, and that they may know that **this house** which I have built is called by Your name." (2 Chron. 6:32-33)

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- Come vs. Go
- Outside the church

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1. We Need to Go Outside the Church
2. We Need to Cross Barriers

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- Jesus broke through social and cultural barriers
- What are our barriers?

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3. We Need To Meet People where they Are

Meet People where they Are

- Where are the village wells?
- Where do we begin?

The Pattern of Jesus

- Meet people at the “village well,” in their context
- Start with their concerns
- Deal with life issues
- Point them to God’s solution

Questions to Take Home

- Who are your “Samaritans?”
- Where is your local “village well?”
- How are you impacting the world outside the church?

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Additional Information

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