

## **Encounter with a Samaritan Woman**

*John 4*

**1. We are confronted with the INHERENT VALUE of each and every person**

- a. Jesus crosses over an ethno-religious barrier
- b. Jesus crosses over a gender barrier
- c. Jesus crosses over a reputation barrier

**2. We are confronted with the AVAILABILITY of salvation for all**

**3. We are confronted with the METHODOLOGY of Jesus in reaching out**

- a. Jesus was humble
- b. Jesus was relational
- c. Jesus was also direct

**4. Ultimately, we are confronted with a big question, do we LOVE like Jesus**

## **For Further Study and Reflection:**

*Evangelism in a Skeptical World* by Sam Chan

*Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God* by J.I. Packer

*Learning Evangelism From Jesus* by Jerram Barrs

*The Gospel Comes With a House Key* by Dr. Rosaria Butterfield

*The Mark of a Christian* by Francis Schaeffer

## **Discussion Questions:**

1. What kind of person is difficult for you? Given the choice, whom would you rather avoid? Why?
2. Are you a witness for Christ? When was the last time you publicly identified yourself as a Christian? Who has God put in your life who needs you to speak up about Jesus?
3. If you weren't a Christian, what kind of Christian witness would be most compelling to you?
4. What are your strengths and weaknesses in engaging others on matters of faith? How can you grow in your witness for Christ?
5. Do you think others feel your gospel witness is motivated by love?
6. Jesus was known as a friend to sinners. How would you feel if you had that same reputation? How is God working upon your heart through Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman in John 4?