

# GOING THROUGH SAMARIA

APPLICATION QUESTIONS: WEEK OF MARCH 6, 2022.

Study of John / John 4:1–42

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## Introduction:

A few weeks ago, we read about Jesus in Jerusalem talking to Nicodemus. Now, He comes to Samaria and speaks to a Samaritan woman about salvation. It is interesting to note the differences between these two:

1. **Nicodemus** was a Jewish leader, a scholar, and a moral man. The **Samaritan woman** was immoral, of a poor reputation in her town, and was ignorant of spiritual truth.
2. **Nicodemus** came to Jesus to ask questions. Jesus came to the **Samaritan woman** to ask questions.
3. So far as we can tell, **Nicodemus** did not get saved when he met with Jesus. The **Samaritan woman** believed and was saved.

Why do you think the Samaritan woman responded to the Gospel the first time she met Jesus while Nicodemus did not?

## I. The Need to Go Through Samaria. ([John 4:1-4](#))

Jesus knew that He had to go through Samaria to meet this woman. Have you ever felt that God was leading you to go somewhere?

Have you ever felt the leading of God to witness to a particular person at a particular time?

## II. The Need to Rest in Samaria. ([John 4:5-6](#))

Since Jesus Christ is God, why did He need to rest? After all, the Bible says: “Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.” (Psalm 121:4)

## III. The Need of the Woman in Samaria. ([John 4:7-15](#))

What did Jesus mean by living water?

#### IV. The Sin of the Woman in Samaria. ([John 4:16-24](#))

Why was it important for Jesus to reveal this woman's sin?

#### V. The Salvation of the Woman in Samaria. ([John 4:25-30](#))

A. The Disciples' Reaction. [[John 4:27](#)]

B. The Woman's Reaction. [[John 4:28-29](#)]

C. The People's Reaction. [[John 4:30](#)]

What reaction did your friends and relatives have when you got saved?

What reactions have you experienced when you tried to share your faith?

#### VI. Jesus Teaches the Disciples in Samaria. ([John 4:31-38](#))

The truth given in verse 37 is that, typically, one person sows the seed of the Gospel into the life of the unbeliever while another leads him or her to Christ. How can this truth encourage us as we share the Gospel?

#### VII. Many of the Samaritans Believe. ([John 4:39-42](#))

How did God use the circumstances of the Samaritan woman to bring her and her city to Christ?