

**SERMON NOTES**

**“The Cross-Culture in our Back Yard” John 4:4-42**

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**There are some lessons we can learn when we visit our “Samaria...”**

**I. A need for us to go into \_\_\_\_\_ . Vs.1-9**

1. Jesus had a need to go through Samaria V. 4, a need to stop in Sychar V. 5, a need to sit on the well about the 6<sup>th</sup> hour (noon) V. 6, a need to talk with the woman V. 8.
2. Jews had nothing in common culturally with Samaritans.

**II. A need for us to present the \_\_\_\_\_ . Vs. 10, 13, 14**

1. He did not emphasize her social plight, nor try to correct it.
2. Jesus did not attempt to change her ethnic background, her status, nor her neighborhood! She would always be a Samaritan woman living in Samaria.
3. He did not attempt to change her religion or place of worship.
4. He pointed to Himself as the focus of salvation and eternal life. He presented only the saving Gospel! Acts 4:12; John 14:6

**III. A need to not ignore \_\_\_\_\_ , but present God’s \_\_\_\_\_ . Vs. 16-26**

1. Realize many times it is sin that is keeping a person out of heaven.
2. Emphasize that salvation is a work of God’s grace!
3. It is the work of the Holy Spirit!

**IV. A need for us to be a part of a \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ . Vs. 32-42**

1. He calls us today to a harvest that is now ready!
2. He calls the Church to still be the Church; to be light, socially as well as evangelistically. The harvest is ready; the fields are prepared by God. He is looking for reapers in this, the last days!

Actions:

1. Determine from this day forth to minister to those who God sends your way. Shed prejudice, favoritism, etc. Christ died for all!
2. Learn to present the saving gospel of Christ wherever, whenever.
3. Pray for unsaved individually, by name. God will save who He wants to, uses our obedience to the Great Commission.

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