

# **Sharing Your Faith** How to Apply a Jesus Approach to Evangelism " **Don't Prequalify People** 1. \_\_\_\_ vv. 1-9 2. Look for Spiritual Connections vv. 10-14

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## **Grow Group Discussion Questions**

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. *PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).* 

#### HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

#### Point #1

a) Read John 4:1-9. How did Jesus handle the historical animosity between the Jews and the Samaritans?

- b) Why is this important when it comes to sharing your faith? How does Point #1 relate? Be specific.
- c) Who could you be tempted to avoid when it comes to evangelism? Why? How does Point #1 help you?

#### Point #2

- a) Read John 4:10-14. How did Jesus give the Samaritan woman space when she became defensive in verse 12?
- b) Why is this important? How did Jesus ultimately turn a conversation about water into a spiritual discussion?
- c) How does this relate to Point #2? How does this help you and your approach to sharing your faith? Be specific.

## **Daily Devotions**

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

#### MONDAY // Read John 4:1-6, Nehemiah 4:1-6, Ezra 4:1-6

- Explain the significance of Jesus passing through Samaria. Why would this have been typically forbidden?
- As you read the historical rivalry between Samaria and Judea, what present day examples could compare?
- What did Jesus model when it comes to talking to anyone about God? How does this encourage you?

#### TUESDAY // Read John 4:7-9, Luke 10:25-37, John 8:48-53

- What cultural lines did Jesus cross by asking a Samaritan woman for a drink of water? Be specific.
- In what way did this influence the way the religious leaders viewed and treated Jesus? Be specific.
- How can this same challenge impact Christians today? (i.e., political, financial, etc.) What is the solution?

#### WEDNESDAY // Read John 4:1-9, Colossians 3:11, Galatians 3:28

- What is the Apostle Paul addressing when it comes to discrimination within the church? Be specific.
- In what way should this also impact the way Christians share their faith with non-Christians?
- Who could you be tempted to avoid when it comes to evangelism? Why? How does Jesus' approach help you?

### THURSDAY // Read John 4:10-11, 3:1-4

- Explain how the woman missed the point Jesus was making. How did Nicodemus make the same mistake?
- What does this highlight about how non-Christians process spiritual truth? Why is this important to recognize?
- How should this impact assumptions and not overcomplicate spiritual discussions? How does this adjust you?

#### FRIDAY // Read John 4:10-13

- In what way did the woman feel threatened or challenged (v. 12) by Jesus' statement in verse 10?
- How did Jesus respond in verse 13? How did He let her process without trying to argue with her?
- What will happen if Christians miss this truth when trying to share their faith? How can this be avoided?

#### SATURDAY // Read John 4:13-14, 6:48, 8:12, 10:27

- In what way did Jesus make a spiritual connection to a general discussion about needing a drink of water?
- How did Jesus do this on a regular basis when talking about God? What does this teach you about evangelism?
- How has this week's topic and devotions help you to better step into spiritual conversations? Be specific.

MEDITATION VERSE: <sup>13</sup>Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." John 4:13-14