

WEEK 2 | FACE TO FACE

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Verses: John 4:3-42



SERIES INSIGHT

This series our challenge to the people of Grace is to dive deeper in walking with Jesus **Face to Face**, more than you ever have before. In our highs and lows, being Face to Face with Jesus changes everything. By seeing the way Jesus does it with others throughout the stories we'll cover, we can then learn how we can walk with Jesus just the same.

ICEBREAKER

- What is one piece of advice you have never forgotten?
- Are you doing the 21 Days of Prayer & Fasting challenge? What are you seeing, learning, or experiencing so far? If not, why not?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Review the Message.** Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend's message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
2. Read John 4:3-26. Considering this story of the Samaritan woman, why might she be concerned about Jesus (a Jew) interacting with her (a Samaritan)? What groups/people and/or areas of our world might be considered the "Samaritan woman" of our day?
3. Read John 4:15-19. Des asked of this interaction: "Why was it that Jesus provoked her to 'go get her husband'? Why that point? Was it to condemn her? Or was it actually her greatest point of brokenness and pain and therefore the greatest place for restoration and healing?" If you were the Samaritan woman and Jesus was interacting with you, what area of brokenness and pain would he highlight in you? Share it with the group.
4. Share about a time when someone's story/testimony or their process of working out something difficult in their life and faith, that inspired you to see Jesus in a new or fresh way?
5. On a scale of 1-9 with "9" being "I do this regularly" and "1" being "I never do this", how regular would you say you are in sharing your story, God moments, or general experiences you have in walking with Jesus with others around you?
 - **Leader Note:** *This is a pretty open question. The emphasis is not on only sharing one's testimony of how they came to know Jesus (although that may be part of it). It's also asking about general life. Do people have a perspective of their walk with Jesus as something that plays out in their everyday life or only on Sundays?*
6. This is your woman at the well moment. What is something you need to surrender this week?

PRAYER

Allow people to share requests and celebrate any praise reports as well. Consider having someone write down the requests to share with the group. Take time to pray however long your group needs.



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