

RE-EXAMINING THE MISSION OF JESUS

PART 5

“THE DAY JESUS REDEFINED MY NEIGHBORHOOD”

“Life-Changing Road Trip #2: The Story of the Bad Samaritan”

(John 4:1-42; Luke 8:4-18)

INTRODUCTION:

LOOKING BACK: THE DAY JESUS REDEFINED MY NEIGHBOR (LUKE 10:25-37)

— Jesus has reshaped the lawyer’s question from “Who is my neighbor?” to “what does it mean to be a neighbor?” My neighbor is anyone in need.

• Jesus Christ is... the Good Samaritan.

- A costly demonstration of unexpected love by the rejected outsider, who enters into another’s suffering, binds his wounds and bears his burden.

TODAY: THE DAY JESUS REDEFINED MY NEIGHBORHOOD (JOHN 4)

- The parable of the Sower is told by way of _____ in Matthew, Mark and Luke, but it is also told in John’s Gospel by way of _____.

IF I AM GOING TO BE A TRUE DISCIPLE, A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER ON MISSION WITH JESUS,... IF I AM GOING TO SHARE THE HEART OF THE KING AND THE HEARTBEAT OF HIS KINGDOM,... THEN...

1A. ...I WILL _____ WHERE OTHERS ARE NOT _____ TO _____.

“So He came to a city of Samaria called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph; and Jacob’s well was there. So Jesus, being wearied from His journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.”

—John 4:1-6

2A. ...I WILL _____ WHEN OTHERS ARE NOT _____ TO _____.

“There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, ‘Give Me a drink.’ For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, ‘How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?’ (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)”

—John 4:7-9

3A. ...I WILL _____ WHAT OTHERS ARE NOT _____
TO _____.

“Meanwhile the disciples were urging Him, saying, ‘Rabbi, eat.’ But He said to them, ‘I have food to eat that you do not know about.’ So the disciples were saying to one another, ‘No one brought Him anything to eat, did he?’ Jesus said to them, ‘My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to accomplish His work.’

—John 4:31-34

4A. ...I WILL _____ WHERE OTHERS ARE NOT _____ TO _____.

“Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white for harvest. Already he who reaps is receiving wages and is gathering fruit for life eternal; so that he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. For in this case the saying is true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored and you have entered into their labor.”

—John 4:35-38

5A. ...I WILL _____ WHAT OTHERS ARE NOT _____
TO _____.

“From that city many of the Samaritans believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, ‘He told me all the things that I have done.’ So when the Samaritans came to Jesus, they were asking Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. Many more believed because of His word; and they were saying to the woman, ‘It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves and know that this One is indeed the Savior of the world.’”

—John 4:39-42

SOME CLARIFYING QUESTIONS:

1. A. Do I _____ the world (the lost) like Christ?

At this point His disciples came, and they were amazed that He had been speaking with a woman, yet no one said, “What do You seek?” or, “Why do You speak with her?”

—John 4:27

2. Do I _____ the world (the lost) like Christ?

“Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white for harvest.”

—John 4:35

3. Do I _____ the world (the lost) like Christ?

“But He said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples were saying to one another, “No one brought Him anything to eat, did he?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to accomplish His work.””

—John 4:32-34