

Christ Community Church

Community Group Discussion Guide for Week of February 16, 2026

Announcements

- 1. Community Group:** Any specific announcements or things to discuss pertaining to your community group?
- 2. Upcoming Christ Community Gatherings:** Women's Meetup at Wine Not for Trivia Night on 2/26 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM — MAC Sunday on 3/8 (Lunch After Church at Mac's Pizza Pub in Blue Ash) - Men's Meetup at March 1st on 3/12 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM.
- 3. The Gospel Coalition's 2026 Women's Conference:** Join the women of Christ Community Church for TCG's Women's Conference in Indy from June 11 to 13 for a time of worship, teaching, and connection. For registration and more information, visit www.christcincy.org/events.

Opening Question

What's one piece of advice you've received (helpful or not) that has stuck with you, and why do you think it's stayed with you?

John 4:1-43

Leader's Note: Open with a brief prayer, asking God to make the group receptive to His Word. Then invite someone to read the passage aloud. (For longer sections, consider dividing the reading among several people.)

[1] Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John [2] (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), [3] he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. [4] And he had to pass through Samaria. [5] So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. [6] Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

[7] A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." [8] (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) [9] The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) [10] Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." [11] The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living

water? [12] Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” [13] Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, [14] but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” [15] The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.”

[16] Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” [17] The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; [18] for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” [19] The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. [20] Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” [21] Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. [22] You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. [23] But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. [24] God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” [25] The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” [26] Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

[27] Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you seek?” or, “Why are you talking with her?” [28] So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, [29] “Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?” [30] They went out of the town and were coming to him.

[31] Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, saying, “Rabbi, eat.” [32] But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” [33] So the disciples said to one another, “Has anyone brought him something to eat?” [34] Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work. [35] Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, then comes the harvest’? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. [36] Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. [37] For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ [38] I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

[39] Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me all that I ever did.” [40] So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. [41] And many more believed because of his word. [42] They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

[43] After the two days he departed for Galilee.

Discussion Questions

1. What stands out to you about this encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman?
⇒ *Potential Follow-Up Question(s): What surprises you most about how Jesus initiates and carries this conversation? What do you learn about Jesus' character from this interaction?*
2. In verses 10–14, Jesus tells the woman that He can give her “living water.” What do you think Jesus means, and what does this reveal about our deeper spiritual thirst?
⇒ *Potential Follow-Up Question(s): What are some “wells” people turn to today hoping to find satisfaction? Where might Jesus be inviting you this week to trust Him more deeply as the true source of living water?*
3. In verses 16–18 and 25–26, Jesus reveals that He knows the woman’s story and then reveals His identity as the Messiah. What does this teach us about who Jesus is and how He relates to us?
⇒ *Potential Follow-Up Questions(s): How might the woman have felt when Jesus revealed that He knew her past? How does it encourage you to know that Jesus fully knows you and still moves towards you?*
4. In verses 31–38, Jesus tells His disciples that His food is to do the will of the Father and that the fields are ripe for harvest. What does this teach us about dwelling with Jesus and joining Him in His work at the well?
⇒ *Potential Follow-Up Question(s): What might it look like for us, both individually and as Christ Community Church, to dwell with Jesus at the well and join Him in the work He is already doing?*
5. In verses 39–42, many Samaritans come to believe in Jesus because of her testimony and then through their own encounter with Him. What does this passage teach us about how Jesus works through ordinary people to reach others?
⇒ *Potential Follow-Up Question(s): Who might God be inviting you to move toward with the hope of Jesus, particularly someone who, like the woman at the well, may feel overlooked, isolated, or avoided by others?*

Prayer

Leader’s Note: Wrap up your time by moving into prayer. Begin by inviting group members to share any requests, especially in light of the categories listed below. When someone shares, ask if another person would be willing to pray for that request. Then open the group prayer time by asking someone to start and encourage others to pray as they feel led. When it seems like the time is drawing to a close, finish by thanking God for His Word and for the time you’ve had together.

- **Word – Praying in Response to God’s Word**
What truths or applications stood out from our discussion, and how can we pray for one another in light of what God has shown us through His Word?
- **Heart – Praying for “Heart-Level” Concerns**
Because real change begins in the heart, how can we pray for one another where trusting God feels hard or where walking closely with Him is a struggle?
- **Life – Praying for Personal Requests**
What personal needs, burdens, or situations would you like prayer for this week?
- **Church – Praying for Our Church and Its Mission**
What are some things happening in our church and through our church that we can be praying for together?
- **World – Praying for People You’re Minister To and Those in Need**
Who in your life doesn’t yet know Jesus, and how can we pray for them—and for your opportunities to love and share the gospel with them? Who in your life needs prayer, encouragement, or care, and how can we lift them up together this week?