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FRIDAY MARCH 1ST
AT ELDER CREEK
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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John 4

AN UNLIKELY ENCOUNTER

John chapter 4 records the encounter of Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well. The entire conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan woman took place in the absence of His disciples (v.7-26). What Jesus shared with an outcast among outcasts, was some of the most important, eternal **truths** needed for all mankind. All the disciples knew in the moment was that He had done something ethnically and traditionally **uncommon** and **offensive**. What Jesus did was so unusual, none of the disciples knew how to respond, *“... they were amazed that He had been speaking with a [Samaritan] woman, yet no one said, ‘What do You seek?’ or, ‘Why do You speak with her?’” (John 4:27).*

Jesus clearly demonstrated to His disciples the power of the set apart work. In John 4:34-38 He explains specifically what that work is: *“I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored...”*

AN UNUSUAL, GOOD WORK

Based on a history and culture of division and racism, what Jesus’ **Jewish** disciples witnessed in ethnically impure Samaria must have been tough to swallow. But **the results spoke for themselves**. Christ the Messiah had clearly demonstrated His **LOVE**. In Him ALL people could be **forgiven** and [re]united despite past sins and years of discrimination. **What Jesus did then, only He can do now. How? Through His church!**

Following Jesus and doing the set apart work of spreading the gospel, leads to redemption and reconciliation for all who are lost. Only Christ, through His redeemed and Spirit-empowered **Church**, can bring healing to a fallen and divided world. Many believers have gone before us and sown and watered. It is NOW time for us to enter into their labor and **REAP the harvest**.

FACTORPOINTS

What Jesus did in Samaria is an example of Heaven coming to earth, delivering the plan and power to heal and reunite what sin had broken. **When the set apart ones get to work; equality will overcome racism, truth triumphs lies and LOVE CONQUERS HATRED.**

HE’S HERE — WORSHIP

God is worthy of our worship and adoration for being the HEART-CHANGER the world needs today. Give Him praise for all He has done and will do to restore unity.

HE KNOWS — LEARN

Review John 4 and get to know Jesus as Savior and Reconciler of sinful man to God and redeemed people to one another.

HE’S ABLE — SERVE

Led by the Holy Spirit, step into Samaria (the uncomfortable place) and demonstrate the love of God to Samaritans (the unattractive people). Let’s be the church that reaps where others have sown by doing the set apart work of spreading the Gospel

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