## GOD the SON - "God's Rescue Mission!" - John 4:1-7

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**ILLUSTRATION**: Thailand Rescue Mission of 12 young boys...

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- 722 BCAssyria invaded and conquered northern Israel's 10 tribes...
- Jewish prayer: "LORD, I thank you that I am not a dog, a woman, or a Gentile."
- <u>Phil 2:3-8</u>NLT: "Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though He was <u>God</u>, He did not think of equality with God as something to <u>cling</u>to. Instead, He <u>gave up</u>his divine privileges; He took the humble position of a <u>slave</u> and was born as a <u>human being</u>. When he appeared in <u>human form</u>, He humbled himself in obedience to God and <u>died</u> criminal's death on <u>a</u> <u>cross</u>."

oDACHAU Visit in Germany - Jewish children in Nazi Concentration Camp...

## II. God's Love Manifested PHYSICALLY.

"So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. 6 Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, <mark>being wearied</mark>from His journey, sat thus by the well."

- Have you ever imagined what it would be like to become *an insect....??*
- John 1:1,14-"John 1:1–3 (NLT): In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him... So the Word became human and made his home among us."

oJohn 1:14(AMP): "..the Word (Christ) became flesh (human, incarnate) and tabernacled (fixed His tent of flesh, lived awhile) among us; and we [actually] saw His glory (His honor, His majesty).."

• <u>Heb 4:15</u> - "This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet He did not sin."

In His humanity, Christ was at times <u>exhausted</u>, He <u>cried</u>, He <u>ate</u>, He <u>drank</u>, He was <u>bruised</u>, He <u>bled</u>for us, He was <u>stabbed</u>for us, He <u>died</u>for us, and He <u>ROSE</u>
<u>AGAIN</u>for us!

### III. God's Love Manifested SOCIALLY.

"It was about <u>the sixth hour</u>. A <u>woman</u>of <mark>Samaria</mark>came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me <u>a</u> drink."

• 6th hour was 12 noon.... when the social "outcasts" would come to the well.

o Jesus always loved the "outcasts" of His society!!

- Lepers..
- Crippled..
- Traitors..
- Murderers..
- <u>YOU</u>& <u>ME!</u>!
- John 6:37NLT "...those the Father has given me will come to me, and <u>I will never reject</u> them.

• John 3:16- "For God so loved the world..."

• <u>1 John 2:2</u>NLT - "He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but <u>the sins of all the world</u>."



Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me You have been so, so good to me Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, gracious love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, gracious love of God

> When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me

There's no shadow You won't light up, No mountain You won't climb up Coming after me There's no wall You won't kick down, No lie You won't tear down Coming after me

And oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, gracious love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine And I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, gracious love of God