

# C<sup>1</sup> onechurch

## bigIdea



### INTRODUCTION

We believe that everyone has the responsibility to invest in someone's life who does not attend church and to invite them. *Invest and Invite*. Inviting them to oneChurch. Inviting them to hear your story, because all of us has a story.

**BIG IDEA:** 3 Stories: Your story and their story meeting God's story.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. When you were growing up, who were the people you were told not to associate with? What part of the city or country would you be warned about?
2. Where was the 'watering hole' in your home town, where everybody went to 'hang out'?
3. Since 'nice girls' did not come to draw water at noontime, why do you think Jesus risked His reputation to ask a favor of this woman?
4. In John 4:26, Jesus reveals who He is for the first time. What is significant about Jesus choosing this occasion to reveal Himself?
5. May times people put off talking about Jesus because they think they don't know enough. How much did the Samaritan woman know about Jesus? Did she have any questions lingering? Any doubts?



Break up into three groups and have each group read one of the following passages: John 1:35-41, John 3:1-21, John 4:5-29.

6. How did Jesus differ His approach about sharing His story in these three passages in John?
7. How is His audience different (John's disciples, Nicodemus, Samaritan woman)?

### THINK ABOUT IT

Everyone has a story to tell. Many people can argue about the Bible or church, but they can't argue with your story, because it happened to you.

### WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Practice telling your story to each other in your small group. Remember, your story should consist of three things:

1. *Your life before Jesus?*
2. *How you met Jesus?*
3. *How has Jesus made your life meaningful today?*

Identify three people you need to listen to their story, tell your story, and invite them into God's story. Set a date to share your story with them.

### CHANGING YOUR MIND

Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did." John 4:39

### VERSES TO GO DEEPER

John 1:35-51, John 3:1-21, John 4:1-44, 1 Peter 3:15

