

DAY 31:

## LIVING WATERS

We all have a past – a life before we tasted Living Water. Yet it's so easy to live with blinders on, oblivious to the lost people around us. John 4 reminds us of the bold way Jesus encountered lost people, even when it was inconvenient or culturally inappropriate.

Most Jews avoided Samaria as they traveled because they were an “unclean,” pagan people. Notice that Jesus not only passed through the town, He also stopped and engaged someone there. Even more scandalous was the fact that this “someone” was a woman. Yet Jesus didn't hesitate to bring up her past and life details she surely wished were left unsaid. Her thirst for acceptance, healing, and hope opened the door for Jesus to offer her Living Water – forgiveness and hope through Him alone.

How many times have we passed by a “Samaritan woman”? What has distracted us from stopping to share about the Living Water we have found in Jesus? Yes, it may be inconvenient or even uncomfortable, but Jesus set the example for how we are to engage lost people today and everyday – with frequency, intentionality, care, and grace.

We all have a past. But we also have hope and a future because of the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is our Living Water. Let's share that message with the lost today.

*Father, thank You for the Living Water You offer us through Your Son Jesus. You are faithful, merciful and loving. Help us to have boldness to share Your message of hope and salvation with the lost people we encounter today. Make us aware of those around us who are lost and living without a Savior. Give us insight and wisdom as we share the gospel. In Jesus' name, amen.*

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*“And he had to pass through Samaria. So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar ... A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, ‘Give me a drink.’”*

*“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” ... “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again.”*

*John 4:4-5, 7, 10, 13-14*

