

DO IT AGAIN!
John 4:3-42
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INTRODUCTION

God draws people to Himself . . . God uses people to draw people to Himself!

The Acts 1:8 mandate: “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)

“If the church is on the block and the block isn’t changed, something’s wrong.” —Pastor Nathan Pittman

We want to do all we can—as quickly as we can—to do our part in seeing the Good News of Jesus Christ truly extend “to the end of the earth!” (Acts 1:8).

GOD’S PART:

“No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.” (John 6:44)

1. Jesus arrives. John 4:4-7a. “But He needed to go through Samaria” (v. 4).

2. Jesus reveals. John 4:7-26. Jesus revealed Himself not only as a Jew but as someone “greater than Jacob” (v. 12); as “a prophet” (v. 19); and ultimately as *her* “Messiah” (20-26).

3. Jesus redeems. John 4:27-29, 31-35. “For ‘whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.’ ” (Romans 10:13)

OUR PART (in partnership with God):

“And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.” (Matthew 24:14)

1. We profess. John 4:29. “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” (2 Corinthians 5:17)

2. We proclaim. John 4:35. “But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.” (Matthew 9:36)

3. We preserve. John 4:39-42. “So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His own word.” (John 4:40-41)

CONCLUSION

Jesus not only *walked across the room*, He stepped out of heaven and into humanity (Philippians 2:5-11), ultimately to go to the cross and die for our sins!

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.” (Revelation 3:20)