

The Assembly

21 Days Of Prayer And Fasting

DAY 8

Truth Empowers

My favorite story of Jesus interacting with a woman comes from John 4:1-34. I love this story and interaction. Jesus is tired and he sits down at a well. Jesus speaks with the Samaritan woman, and she becomes the very first person to hear him say that he is the Messiah. It's this truth that ultimately empowers this woman to live her best life. She finds herself changed and forgiven. It was then that this Samaritan woman learned that only God can truly satisfy us and that we must worship and LIVE in spirit and in truth.

Here are three ways of being in the truth:

1. Being in the truth about ourselves. The woman at the well knew she needed saving and the forgiveness of her sins. God is near to the humble, so being truthful with ourselves and God about all that we lack is the first step to drawing near to Him so we can access the Living Water.
2. Being in the truth about who God is. The woman at the well agreed with God as He revealed Himself to her. Sometimes we challenge the Lord's Word, sometimes we even disagree and disregard it. When we reject His Word, we reject the truth that functions as a 'spiritual pipe' for that Living Water to get into our hearts.
3. Remaining in the truth. The woman at the well didn't pick up her water jug and go home to her old life unchanged. She acted on the truth she now held in her heart, and we see her life take a significant turn. Such a turn, that the townspeople whom she did so much to avoid, she now ran to gather, and they all believed her and followed her – something had possibly changed, even physically in her countenance that they could all see!

Sometimes, we let a spiritual truth sit out in front of us but don't take it in. She took it. She drank the Living Water.

Scripture sits at our fingertips, and we are challenged daily to take it up and drink it in. Drawing close to God is sometimes easy, sometimes hard. But you must do the work and put in the time with Him. You won't regret it!

John 8:31-32 So, Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

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