I AM Revealed

The Samaritan Woman at the Well #8 – John 4:1-26

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Nicodemus Woman at the well Differences Man Woman Jew Samaritan Pharisee Low class Scholar Uneducated **Immoral** Moral Named Nameless Came at night Came at noon Seeking Sought Similarities Literal thinking Literal thinking Lost Lost The Setting - John 4:1-6 1. Jesus left to avoid a crisis and traveled to 2. Jesus "had to" pass through and came to the city of Sychar where there was Jacob's well 3. Jesus "had to" _____ 4. It was around The Conversation - John 4:7-26 1. The opening request - v. 7-9 Jesus: "Give Me a drink." Woman: "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" 2. Salvation offered but not understood - v. 10-15

Jesus: "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

Woman: "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?"

Jesus: "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life."

Woman: "Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty nor come all the way here to draw."

3. Her need for salvation exposed - v. 16-19

Jesus: "Go, call your husband and come here."

Woman: "I have no husband."

Jesus: "You have correctly said, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly."

Woman: "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet."

4. Her solution vs. the true solution - v. 20-24

Woman: "Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you people say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship."

Jesus: "Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

5. The Savior revealed - v. 25-26

Woman: "I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us."

Deut. 18:18 - 'I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.

Jesus: "I who speak to you am He."

Jesus and John use a key phrase in Greek - εγω ειμι (ego eimi) - I AM

John 4:26; 6:20; 8:24, 28, 58; 13:19; 18:5

Implications

- 1. Jesus is the Messiah, the "I AM" God
- 2. Jesus is to be worshiped in spirit and in truth
- 3. Jesus is the forgiver of our sins
- 4. Jesus is the giver of living water springing up to eternal life

The Purpose of the Gospel of John - John 20:30-31

Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.