



Share Christ Whatever the Response  
 Week 6 - John 4: 1-26

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2010  
 10am & 6.30pm services

People are \_\_\_\_\_ yet \_\_\_\_\_

People are \_\_\_\_\_ yet will \_\_\_\_\_  
 without \_\_\_\_\_

**There are two responses from people toward Christ.**

- Some are \_\_\_\_\_
- Some are \_\_\_\_\_

“For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. To the one we are the smell of death; to the other, the fragrance of life. And who is equal to such a task?”  
 (2 Corinthians 2:15-16 NIV)

But how do we know who is open and who is closed to the message of Christ if we don't try to share it? As Christians we need to be “equal to such a task” of sharing Christ whatever the response, because:

**Sharing Christ \_\_\_\_\_ save a \_\_\_\_\_**

In John 4:1-26, Jesus himself is our greatest model of **how** to share “Him.” He has a conversation with a woman at a well. From this event, we learn...

**1. Jesus wants us to \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ unbelievers are.**

“Now he had to go through Samaria.” (John 4:4 NIV)

**2. Jesus wants us to \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ with unbelievers.**

“When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, ‘*Will you give me a drink?*’” (John 4:7 NIV)

**3. Jesus wants us to \_\_\_\_\_ an \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ into a \_\_\_\_\_ one.**

“Jesus answered her, ‘*If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.*’” (John 4:10 NIV)

**What do I still need to do and know to share Christ?**

**We need to understand the \_\_\_\_\_ .**

**We need to \_\_\_\_\_ .**

“Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, ‘Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Christ?’ They came out of the town and made their way toward him.”  
 (John 4:28-30 NIV)

# Small Group Preparation

(Following Week 6 of Church-Wide Series)

## Getting to Know You

1. Ask everyone in the group to share a story of a time in their life when they received a gift which may have been either great, funny, or precious. What did you think and how did you feel?

## Getting Started

2. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain.
3. Have you ever been able to share Christ with anyone? What was the response?
4. Where would you consider your "Samaria" might be? eg. Work, school, uni, etc.

## Getting into the Bible

5. Read Acts 5: 12-42. What was significant about the way in which people were coming to believe in Christ? (v 12-16)
6. What was the response from the leaders of the temple towards the disciples? (v 17-18)
7. How did God intervene? What does this experience tell us about the significance of God's word and God's heart in sharing his word? (v 19-21)

8. The Scriptures give a wonderful response from Peter and the other apostles to the leaders. How does this response challenge you? (v29). The next few verses give a succinct description of the message we need to share with the world. How might you restate the message in your own words? (v 30-32)
9. What is the truth that is suggested by Gamaliel? What is the irony of his wisdom? (v 33-39)
10. The interrogation of the disciples resulted in them being brutally punished. Have you ever wondered how you would react under torture or persecution as a result of sharing the gospel? How do you think you would respond? (v 40)
11. What was the reaction of the disciples not only toward their suffering, but also toward the proclaiming of the gospel? How does this inspire you? (v 41-42)

## Getting it into my Life

12. This week, who will you try to engage in a spiritual conversation?
13. What new commitment will you make to praying for and sharing your faith with others?

