

## A Socially Distant Samaritan...

**John 4:5-26** <sup>5</sup> So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon. <sup>7</sup> When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" <sup>8</sup> (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.) <sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup> 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." <sup>11</sup> "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?" <sup>13</sup> Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water." <sup>16</sup> He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." <sup>17</sup> "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. <sup>18</sup> The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true." <sup>19</sup> "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup> Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem." <sup>21</sup> "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup> You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth." <sup>25</sup> The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will

explain everything to us." <sup>26</sup> Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you-- I am he." (NIV)

**1) First, the Gospel is for the Spiritually \_\_\_\_\_!!**

**John 4:10** 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."

**2) The Spiritually Distant Have an \_\_\_\_\_!!**

**Matthew 19:16** <sup>16</sup> Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?" (NIV)



**Matthew 19:23-24** <sup>23</sup> Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly I tell you, it is hard for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>24</sup> Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (NIV)

**Ephesians 2:12-13** <sup>12</sup> In those days you were *living apart* from Christ. You were *excluded* from citizenship among the people of Israel, and *you did not know* the covenant promises God had made to them. You lived in this world *without* God and *without* hope. <sup>13</sup> But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were *FAR AWAY* from God, but now *YOU HAVE BEEN BROUGHT NEAR* to him through the blood of Christ. (NLT)

**John 4:26** <sup>26</sup> Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you-- I am he." (NIV)

**PRAYER:**

***Lord Jesus, I acknowledge to You that I have sinned against You in many ways. I believe You died on the cross for my sins. I want You to come into my life and be my savior. Forgive me of all my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. Come into my life and be my Lord and help me become the person You want me to be. Amen.***