

**John 3:26 (NLT)** So John's disciples came to him and said, "Rabbi, the man you met on the other side of the Jordan River, the one you identified as the Messiah, is also baptizing people. And everybody is going to him instead of coming to **us**."

True worship places God first allowing Him to "increase" while decreasing your focus on self.

**John 4:25 (NLT)** The woman said, "I know the Messiah is coming—the one who is called Christ. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."

**John 4:26 (NLT)** Then Jesus told her, "**I Am the Messiah!**"

**John 4:27–30 (NLT)** <sup>27</sup> Just then his disciples came back. They were shocked to find him talking to a woman, but none of them had the nerve to ask, "What do you want with her?" or "Why are you talking to her?" <sup>28</sup> The woman left her water jar beside the well and ran back to the village, telling everyone, <sup>29</sup> "Come and see a man who told me everything I ever did! Could he possibly be the Messiah?" <sup>30</sup> So the people came streaming from the village to see him.

Do not miss an opportunity of an eternity. Position yourself in places where Jesus will show up.

**John 4:31–38 (NLT)** <sup>31</sup> Meanwhile, the disciples were urging Jesus, "Rabbi, eat something." <sup>32</sup> But Jesus replied, "**I have a kind of food you know nothing about.**" <sup>33</sup> "Did someone bring him food while we were gone?" the disciples asked each other. <sup>34</sup> Then Jesus explained: "**My nourishment comes from doing the will of God, who sent me, and from finishing his work.** <sup>35</sup> You know the saying, 'Four months between planting and harvest.' But I say, wake up and look around. The fields are already ripe for harvest. <sup>36</sup> The harvesters are paid good wages, and the fruit they harvest is people brought to eternal life. What joy awaits both the planter and the harvester alike! <sup>37</sup> You know the saying, 'One plants and another harvests.' And it's true. <sup>38</sup> I sent you to harvest where you didn't plant; others had already done the work, and now you will get to gather the harvest."

**John 4:39–42 (NLT)** <sup>39</sup> Many Samaritans from the village believed in Jesus because the woman had said, “He told me everything I ever did!” <sup>40</sup> When they came out to see him, they begged him to stay in their village. So he stayed for two days, <sup>41</sup> long enough for many more to hear his message and believe. <sup>42</sup> Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not just because of what you told us, but because we have heard him ourselves. Now we know that he is indeed the Savior of the world.”

**Mark 4:14–20 (NKJV)** <sup>14</sup> The sower sows the word. <sup>15</sup> And these are the ones by the wayside where the word is sown. When they hear, Satan comes immediately and takes away the word that was sown in their hearts. <sup>16</sup> These likewise are the ones sown on stony ground who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with gladness; <sup>17</sup> and they have no root in themselves, and so endure only for a time. Afterward, when tribulation or persecution arises for the word’s sake, immediately they stumble. <sup>18</sup> Now these are the ones sown among thorns; *they are* the ones who hear the word, <sup>19</sup> and **the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.** <sup>20</sup> But these are the ones sown on good ground, those who hear the word, accept *it*, and bear fruit: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred.”

**Matthew 24:35 (NKJV)** Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

**2 Timothy 4:1–4 (NLT)** I solemnly urge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who will someday judge the living and the dead when he comes to set up his Kingdom: <sup>2</sup> Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching. <sup>3</sup> For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. <sup>4</sup> They will reject the truth and chase after myths.