

November 29, 2026
Jesus, the Wonderful Counselor
Isaiah 9:6; John 4:1–30
Questions for Study and Group Discussion

Read Isaiah 9:6.

- When have you received wise counsel and been glad you listened? Alternatively, when have you rejected wise counsel and later regretted it?
- If you were to choose one story from the Gospels that illustrates Jesus as the Wonderful Counselor, which story would you choose? Why?

Read John 4:1–30.

- Share a positive experience you've had crossing cultural barriers or interacting with someone from a different cultural background OR share a challenging or difficult cross-cultural experience. What made it difficult?
- Why do you think Jesus intentionally went through Samaria (v. 4)?
- What do we learn about Jesus and the Samaritan woman from their interaction in verses 6–9? What cultural and social barriers did Jesus cross?
- How does Jesus describe the water He offers in verses 10–14? What makes this water different from ordinary water?
- What does Jesus mean when He says that whoever drinks the water He gives will never thirst (v. 14)?
- Why do you think Jesus shifts the conversation to the woman's husbands in verses 16–18?
- What do we learn about worship from Jesus' conversation with the woman in verses 21–24? What does it mean to worship in Spirit and truth?
- In verses 25–26, this woman is the first person to whom Jesus reveals Himself as the Messiah. What is the significance of this?