



Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions

Topic: *Magnify God's Love: The Woman at the Well*

Text: John 4:1-26

Service Date: July 13, 2025

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

Getting Started

- When you think about how non-Christians describe Christians, what words or phrases come to mind?
- Take a moment to read the sermon text (John 4:1-26). From either the passage or Sunday sermon, what reflections/thoughts come to mind?

Sermon Discussion

- The woman at the well never had her name recorded in Scripture, but her sin is what made her known. Do you ever feel as though you're known more for your mistakes than as a forgiven child of God?
- If we all have sinned, why do you think it's easy for someone to "pretend" as though they've never sinned?
- When it comes to accountability, what value is there in having a community of Christian friends? Is there ever a danger of a small group continuing to meet in order to just run through sermon questions and but never going deeper in terms of sharing life and the struggles that come with it?
- It's never easy to be vulnerable. If you're a member at Tri-Village, how can you encourage the value of transparency in your life while balancing not drawing attention to yourself?
- "Jesus focused on this woman's *spiritual* need while she only focused on her *physical* need of water." In reflecting upon why you come to church each Sunday, would you say it's more about getting something out of attending (i.e. checking it off your to-do list, seeing friends, staying up to date with church news, etc.) or to have your life spiritually changed? (Remember the church's value of "transparency" as you respond.)

- Having our sins exposed can be embarrassing and painful. No one wants it to happen to them. If you were the woman at the well whose sins were known by so many, would you have responded the same or differently to Jesus?
- Paul talked about acceptable sins- although no sin is ever acceptable to God. What are sins you see that have become acceptable?
- 1 Corinthians 6:12, “I have the right to do anything,’ you say—but not everything is beneficial. ‘I have the right to do anything’—but I will not be mastered by anything.” Although this verse is used in the context of sexual immorality, it is true of many things. What danger is there in us determining what is right and wrong instead of following what God says is right/wrong?
- Sin has a way of influencing us whether we realize it or not. Are there areas in your life in which you’ve become too comfortable and risk sinning?
- One question asked in the sermon was, “Have you shared what Jesus has done for you?” When was the last time you shared what Jesus had done for you to someone else? What’s your prayer this week in relation to this question?

Books mentioned in the sermon:

Blood-Stained Pews by Carl Kuhl
