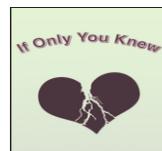


"IF ONLY YOU KNEW

John 4:10 – "Jesus answered and said unto her, if thou knewest the gift of God, And who it is that saith to thee, give me to drink; Thou wouldest have asked him, and He would have given thee living water."



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In this text, Jesus left Judea, and departed again into Galilee because He must needs go through Samaria. Why did Jesus need to through Samaria? Because there was a divine hookup that was predetermined to happen at Joseph's Well. A Samaritan woman needed to have an encounter with the Messiah. You see, the necessity to go through Samaria was not for Jesus, but it was specifically for this woman's liberation! Let's look at the text and see what takes place.

SHE AVOIDS THE MESS (V.6-7)

We all know HERstory! She was the talk of the town! Had been married 5 times and was living with a man who was not her husband! You could find her story on Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest, Twitter, Periscope and Snapchat. She was ashamed, embarrassed and uncomfortable being around all the other "so-called" respectable women. She didn't feel worthy or valuable enough to even be in their presence at a public place. So she waited until she knew they all had come and gone before she went to draw her own water. To avoid the looks, the murmuring and whispers, she decided it was best to simply wait before she came to get what she needed. But on this particular day it was meant that she be there alone in order to receive something she had never had before that she needed and didn't even know she needed it! What are you in need of today? Oh but if only you knew...

SHE ANSWERS THE MAN (V.9)

She was not only a Samaritan, but she was a woman! Leave it to the Radical Redeemer to break through barriers and opposition to reach the unreached, teach the untaught and saved the unsought! Jesus is the one who opens and concludes their conversation! We already know the Samaritan woman would never have initiated a conversation with a Jewish male. But Jesus was on an assignment for his Father! Notice if you will that there are several things that take place in the conversation that cause her confusion. First of all, a Jewish man speaks to her. Second, she realizes that as He asks her for water, He himself has nothing to draw from. Not only does He ask her for water, but then He tells her that He has living water to offer her! Jesus is speaking of the new life that He will give; a life connected with the activity of the Spirit. What is your response to Jesus' offer? If only you knew ...

SHE ACKNOWLEDGES THE MESSIAH (V.19)

God's Word has an undeniable way of making you look at yourself and see where you've come from, where you are now and where you need to be in the future! She is engaged in a one-on-one with the master! A man who knows everything about her past, present and her future! A man who knows things that she has never ever uttered to anyone else! Things that not even one of her five husbands was privy to! But yet He still needed to talk with her. Notice how Jesus met her at her point of need! He knew all about her marital status and confronted her about it. Once she was confronted and the truth was laid out before her, she was convicted but was afforded an opportunity to confess her fault to the one man who would never hold it against her. The one man who would love her to death. The one man who could actually look beyond all of her faults and see her need! Then she was able to see clearly and recognize that she was not just talking to a mere Jewish man, but she was talking to a Prophet, the one man who had the power to save her from her sins!

If only you knew the Messiah Jesus who is faithful and just to forgive you of your sins and cleanse you of all your unrighteousness! If only you knew the Master who is able to save from the gutter most to the uttermost! If only you knew that He loves you so much in spite of everything you've ever done in your life! He doesn't care about where you've been. He's only concerned about where you're going! It makes Him no difference who you were because His focus now is on who you will become in Him! If only you knew who He was, you would not hesitate to drink from the living water that only Jesus can offer you and you will never thirst again! If only you knew!

BBlessed!