

# ***“The Savior of the World Seeks Out the Lost”***

John 4:1-29

*and who it is who says to you...*”

- salvation: a gift to be received
- salvation: provided entirely by Christ

Jesus Christ seeks out the lost that they might be saved.

## **1. Grace which Seeks Us Out**

vv. 1-6

### **(1) A Feature of God’s grand plan of Redemption**

*“He left Judea  
and departed again to Galilee.  
But He needed to go through Samaria.”*

-“A compelling divine necessity”: the gospel to all the nations

- Christ seeking out His sheep

### **(2) Transcending all fleshly and human barriers**

-1- *“Jews have no dealings with Samaritans”* (v.9)

- not of the pure line!
- had set up a rival center of worship; an apostate people

-2- **Rabbis did not engage women in private conversation!**

-3- **This woman apparently had a reputation**

### **(3) Christ became like us to seek and save us**

*“Jesus therefore,  
being wearied from His journey,  
sat thus by the well”*

## **2. Grace which Draws Us Out**

vv. 7-15

### **(1) Graciously reaching through our fleshly barriers**

*“Give Me a drink.”*

- Jesus undeterred by fleshly conventions and prejudices

### **(2) Freely offering life in Himself**

*“If you knew the gift of God,*

## **(3) Declaring the insufficiency of all lesser things to satisfy the soul**

## **3. Grace which Exposes Our Sin and Our Need**

vv. 16-26

### **(1) Brings true conviction**

*“Go, call your husband, and come here.”*

- conviction concerning our **moral bankruptcy** 17-18
- conviction concerning our **spiritual rebellion** 22

### **(2) Offers true hope**

## **4. Grace which Brings Repentance and Faith**

vv. 27-29

### **(1) Her intention to return**

*“The woman then left her waterpot,  
went her way into the city, and said to the men,  
‘Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did.  
Could this be the Christ?’”*

### **(2) She speaks freely of her own sin**

## **Further Application:**