## SERMON NOTES

August 26 & 27, 2023

## **Well Connected:** Nobody Is Perfect John 4:4-30

1. There is a	_ between how I present myself and	·
		Matthew 23:13a
2. Jesus – The Woman – The Well		
a. A good Jew in Jesus day wou	ld	·
		John 4: 4
b. Important Story Details		John 4:5-7
- The Well was		
- The woman was		
- The woman came to draw w	water at	
c. The woman had been	from community because of her _	·
d. Jesus had to go through Sam	aria because the woman was	
3 3		John 4:10, 15
e. Jesus wants to visit with the v	voman	John 4:16-18
f. Jesus purpose is not to	the woman, but	
3. Pathway Church exists to		Ephesians 2:8-9
4. Take Away Phrase: "	" John 4:28-29	9   2 Corinthians 12:9a

## Life Steps

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Monday John 4:1-9

**Reflect:** The woman clearly believes she does not belong in the presence of Jesus. Describe a time you experienced the feeling that you did not belong someplace. Get in touch with what you were experiencing when you first walked into a church. **Prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, use me to help others feel welcome in your presence.

Tuesday John 4:10-17

**Reflect:** When the woman answers Jesus' command by saying, "I have no husband," she is stating a truth that hides a bigger truth. What are the truths that you have told that actually hide a bigger truth that you do not want to tell? Tell God the truth about you. **Prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, help me know and face the truth about me.

Wednesday John 4:18-26

**Reflect:** When was the last time someone shared honest, constructive feedback with you regarding your character development? What is one thing about yourself, or your life that, with God's help, you would like to change?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, shine your light upon my character so I might see my flaws and surrender them to your transforming power.

Thursday John 4:27-30

**Reflect:** After the woman came face to face with her brokenness, God restored her to community for the purpose of connecting others to Jesus. What are your thoughts around this statement? "In the kingdom of God, the road to perfect is not around our brokenness but through it."

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Friday Ephesians 2:8-9 | 2 Corinthians 12:9a

**Reflect:** What are your thoughts around these words of Bonhoeffer? "But it is the grace of God which is so hard for pious people to understand that it confronts us with the truth and says: You are a sinner, a great, desperate sinner; now come as the sinner you are, to God who loves you. He does not want anything from you, a sacrifice, a work; He wants you."

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, I want you; you and your grace are enough.

Saturday Romans 5: 6-8

**Reflect:** What are your thoughts around these words of Bonhoeffer? "The mask you wear before others will do you no good before God. He wants to see you as you are. He wants to be gracious to you. You do not have to go on lying to yourself and your brothers and sisters as if you were without sin; you can dare to be a sinner."

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, be gracious unto me; forgive my foolish ways.

Sunday Luke 15:11-24

**Reflect:** What are some of the practical implications of our church being a "come as you are" church? How will you help others feel welcome when they come to Pathway? **Prayer:** Lord of heaven and earth and Pathway Church, use me to welcome others into your presence today.

