

Come and See

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WARM UP QUESTION: What is the *one thing*—an accomplishment, recognition, or hope—that you believe would satisfy you if you had it?

READ: John 4:7-42

FOCUS: Our deepest thirst and greatest longing are satisfied by Jesus and living on mission for Him.

OBSERVE:

- Everyone has yearnings that go unsatisfied. Jesus provides living water that can completely satisfy us forever. It's what Jesus puts inside of us—His Holy Spirit—that satisfies.
- Jesus informs the Samaritan woman that she cannot go to two sources for satisfaction. Sin produces an ever-increasing craving for an ever-diminishing pleasure, and we must forsake it and turn to Jesus for our sole satisfaction.
- Jesus shows the disciples that his greatest satisfaction comes from doing the will of Father God. Partnering with Jesus to do God's will satisfies us completely.
- Knowing this, we do two things: Share Jesus with others and encounter Jesus for ourselves. The Samaritan woman returns to her town and tells others about Jesus, and many believe her testimony. Some Samaritans were not convinced by the woman's testimony, yet they believed when they heard Jesus for themselves. Encountering Jesus strengthens us to be what He wants us to be and do what He wants us to do. Connecting and serving in and through the church for God's mission, to reconcile people to Himself, provides fulfillment and satisfaction for our deepest longings.

REFLECT:

- Think back to the warm-up and the thing that you feel would bring you satisfaction. In what ways have you pursued satisfaction in that thing at the expense of pursuing satisfaction in Jesus?
- People generally assume that satisfaction comes from receiving something. How does giving something to others—even our very lives—bring greater satisfaction?
- If you have received Jesus as Lord and Savior, does the satisfaction you have received from Jesus prompt you to share it with others? What prevents or hinders you from sharing Jesus' living water?

TAKE ACTION:

- Turn to Jesus this week and encounter Him to find satisfaction for your longings.
- Take intentional moments this week to choose to rest in your heart and in your mind, knowing that Jesus has provided comfort and satisfaction for you. Thank Him for the moments you feel it most.
- Please join us in reading the book of John during this series. This week's passage is John 4:1-45.

PRAY:

Heavenly Father, You are the only thing that can completely fulfill us. We confess that we have deep longings that we have tried to satisfy through sinful means. You are the living water that we can drink and never thirst again. Thank You for filling us up with Your Holy Spirit so that we no longer feel the need to stake our satisfaction on things destined to let us down. Help us to encounter You in every aspect of our lives by turning to You in prayer and through Your Word, and let us share our satisfaction in You with everyone around us in Jesus' name, amen.

