

Assignments on John 4

Please read John 4 and answer the following questions:

1. Where did Jesus go and why – 4:1,2? (Think: Why would Jesus act this way under these circumstances?)

2. Who did the actual baptizing of Jesus' followers?

3. **Application:** What can we learn from this event about the importance of who actually baptizes a person?

4. What area and what city did Jesus pass through (see *map*) – 4:3-5?

5. What Old Testament event related to this region? What landmark was there – 4:6?

6. What time was it, how did Jesus feel, and what did He do? (Think: What lessons can we learn from the way Jesus felt and yet what He did in this story?)

7. Who came, and why did she come – 4:7?

8. What request did Jesus make? Where were His disciples at this time – 4:7,8?

9. Why did Jesus' request seem strange to the woman – 4:9?

10. **Application:** What does this show about Jesus' attitude toward other races?

11. List other *passages* showing Jesus wants people of all races and nations to be saved.

12. What offer did Jesus make to the woman – 4:10?
13. What objections did the woman raise – 4:11,12?
14. What results would come from drinking this water – 4:13,14? (Think: What was the living water that Jesus offered?)
15. What request did the woman make, and what shows that she was still confused about Jesus' meaning – 4:15?
16. What request did Jesus make next, and what did the woman answer – 4:16,17
17. What did Jesus tell her about her husbands and how did she respond – 4:18,19? (Think: What were Jesus' purposes for bringing up her husbands?)
18. What issue did the woman raise next, and how did Jesus answer – 4:20-23? (Think: Who really had the truth regarding the woman's original question?)
19. How does God want us to worship Him, and how does this relate to His own character – 4:23,24?

20. Application: List examples of worship that is not in spirit or not in truth.

21. Who did the woman suspect that Jesus was, why did she suspect this, and what did Jesus say about it – 4:25,26?

22. **Special Assignment:** Trace the progression of the woman's opinion of Jesus. Who did she think He was at first, then who, etc.?

23. **Application:** List lessons we can learn about teaching methods from this story.

24. What did the woman say to the people of the city, and what did the people do as a result – 4:28-30?

25. What did Jesus tell the disciples? What did they think – 4:31-33?

26. What kind of meat had Jesus referred to? What did His statement mean – 4:34?

27. What illustration did Jesus use in 4:35 and what does it mean?

28. What fruit or harvest was He referring to, and why would it cause joy – 4:36?

29. Who were the sowers and who were the reapers in 4:36-38? (Think: What does v38 mean?)

30. What happened as a result of the Samaritan woman's words – 4:39?

31. What did the Samaritans want Jesus to do, and what did He do – 4:40?

32. Who did they believe Jesus was, and what convinced them – 4:41,42?

33. **Application:** What can this story teach us, especially women, about saving the lost?

34. Where did Jesus go? What did people there know about His miracles – 4:43-45?

35. Explain 4:44 (study cross-references).

36. To what town did Jesus return? What miracle had He done there – 4:46?

37. What man made request of Jesus, and where was the man from?

38. What problem did the man have, and how serious was the problem – 4:47?

39. What observation did Jesus make in 4:48?

40. Describe what Jesus said and did to bring about the requested healing – 4:49,50? (Think: Why do the miracle this way? How did this strengthen the impact of the miracle?)

41. How did the nobleman confirm that the healing was the result of what Jesus did – 4:51-53?

42. What effect did this have on the man and his family?

43. List two other **passages** regarding the purpose of miracles.