

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

You have a story and it matters.

It matters not only because it is your story, and your story matters to God; but also because your story is what God uses to draw others into relationship with Him.

- 1) *4:7, 9* Jesus shattered social barriers. First-century religious leaders did not look at or talk to women.
- 2) *4:11-12* She heard His words, but missed His meaning.
- 3) *4:17-18* It is hard to hide things from an omniscient God.
- 4) *4:18* God sees our hearts, just like with the Samaritan woman. Jesus did not hesitate to speak into the hard parts of her life.
- 5) *4:19* She felt cornered, so she attempted to change the subject.
- 6) *4:25* She was mystified by Jesus' words and finally confessed her ignorance.
- 7) *4:26* This is the character and nature of God. He offers new beginnings to anyone who will receive it.
- 8) *4:30* It is highly unlikely that men would receive theological information from a woman of her reputation. But her story was so sincere that they immediately went to the well to investigate.
- 9) The woman who went to the well at midday to avoid people was so compelled that she went into the city to purposefully talk about what she just experienced.

10) Romans 9:1-3 Paul's love for the lost gave him the willingness to surrender (he was speaking emotionally, not theologically).

TODAY'S SONGS

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