**JOHN – WHO IS THIS JESUS?**

**“The Woman at the Well” John 4**

Jesus’ encounter with the Samaritan woman and the encounter with Nicodemus couldn’t have been more different.

 Moral Man Immoral Woman

 Jew Samaritan

 Respected Ruler Social Outcast

 Came by Night Met at Midday

 Cautious and Calm Bold and Abrasive

 Fades Away Unnoticed Goes and Brings All

1. **The Detour – verses 1-8**

“He needed to go through Samaria”

 It was a divine appointment.

 It was all part of God’s sovereign plan.

NEED - - - interesting to note the concept:

 Jesus seemed to need water.

 Yet the woman needed Living Water.

1. **The Discussion – verses 9-30**

There is a lengthy conversation between the two:

She’s Indignant - - -

 Jesus is pleased to speak with her.

She’s Inciteful - - -

 Jesus opens the door to real truth.

She’s Insulated - - -

 Jesus is all-knowing and all-forgiving.

She’s Inspired - - -

 Jesus teaches her that eternal life is about

a relationship, not a religion.

 She’s Invited - - -

 Jesus opens the door of salvation to

 “all who believe.”

1. **The Disciples – verses 31-42**

They had gone into the city to buy food. When they returned, they prepared the meal and called Jesus to come and eat.

Jesus responds similarly as He had with the woman.

 ”I have food that you don’t know about”

 Jesus is the Living Water

 Jesus is the Bread of Life

He teaches them:

1. When you are doing spiritual things

(the will of the Father), the physical things

fade away.

1. The Law of the Harvest:

They would reap what they did not sow.

“many Samaritans believed”