



I THINK. I FEEL. I AM ... alone

JOHN 4:1-42

I. I can feel alone and _____ because of my _____.

The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) v. 9

II. I can feel alone and _____ because I've been _____.

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband ...'" vv. 16-17

III. I can feel alone and _____ because I've been _____.

"... for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband." v. 18a

Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

JOHN 4:26

When I think, I feel, I am alone ...

■ I AM... _____ by Jesus just as I am.

And he had to pass through Samaria. v. 4

■ I FEEL... _____ despite my past.

"He told me all that I ever did." v. 39b

■ I THINK... of ways to _____ with others based on what Jesus has done for me.

Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world." vv. 39-42



DEVOTIONAL & HOME GROUP STUDY

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal His truth and wisdom as you go through this lesson.

1. Read John 4:1-42. Jesus went through Samaria even though most Jewish people avoided it. What does this choice reveal about Him?

“Never does a soul value the Gospel medicine until it feels its disease. Never does a man see any beauty in Christ as a Savior, until he discovers that he is himself a lost and ruined sinner. Ignorance of sin is invariably attended by neglect of Christ.”

J. C. RYLE

“There are two revelations in Christianity: the revelation of God and the revelation of ourselves. We never really see ourselves until we see ourselves in the presence of Christ; and then we are appalled at the sight. There is another way of putting it—Christianity begins with a sense of sin. It begins with the sudden realization that life as we are living it will not do. We awake to ourselves and we awake to our need of God. ... Our Christian experience will often begin with a humiliating wave of self-disgust. It usually happens that the last thing people see is themselves. And it often happens that the first thing Christ does for people is to compel them to do what they have spent their lives refusing to do—look at themselves.”

WILLIAM BARCLAY

2. In what ways does Jesus’ attitude toward women seem different from the usual Jewish attitude?

3. What defenses had this woman at the well developed because of her past? How do we do the same?

4. How does Jesus draw the woman to discover who He is? What does this tell you about Him?

5. The title “Savior of the world” (v. 42) occurs only here and in 1 John 4:14. What does He save you from? For what purpose does He save you?

6. How did studying this passage and hearing the sermon help you? How will you use that?

FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION

Does Jesus’ living water well up inside you? How does its presence or absence affect your life?

What can you do to allow His living water to well up in you (v. 14)?

A WONDERFUL OFFER

Being a Christian isn’t based on membership in a local church or keeping a set of rules. It involves a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and an understanding of who He is and what He has done to provide man with a way to experience God’s love for us. Here’s how to know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior:

- 1. Realize that you are sinful and separated from God. (Romans 3:23; Isaiah 53:6)
2. Recognize that the penalty for your sin is death—eternal separation from God and all that is good. (Romans 6:23; Hebrews 9:27)
3. Understand that Jesus Christ took the penalty for your sin by dying in your place and that He rose again. (Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21)
4. Receive the free gift of salvation by trusting in Christ alone as your Savior. (Romans 4:4-5; Ephesians 2:8-9)

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.” (John 3:16 NASB) You can use this prayer to express your decision to God:
“Dear God, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for me and rose from the dead. I trust in Him alone as the only way to get right with You. Thank You for the forgiveness of sins and the eternal life I now have. Amen.”

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here’s a glimpse at what you need to know for this week at Christ Chapel. If you’d like to find out even more, visit www.cbcfamily.org/events.

CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD Wonder why there’s suffering if there’s a good God? It’s a common question God’s people wrestle with. Even in the Old Testament, one of God’s prophets, Habakkuk, began a conversation about God’s sovereignty, mercy and justice. Want to listen in? Women in the Word study, Conversations with God, starts this summer! Visit www.cbcfamily.org/wiw to read more!

FIREPROOF FAITH God is mighty and faithful, and his design for the men who follow him changes the world for His glory and their good. Ready to run the race with brothers? This summer, our men’s ministry’s bible study, Band of Brothers, is heading into a study of Galatians — focused on a fireproof faith. Get suited up and visit www.cbcfamily.org/bob to sign up today!

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER Prayer is more powerful than we realize. We serve a God who is willing and waiting to hear from His people. This National Day of Prayer, we’ll open the doors to our campuses so that no matter what time you’re able to join in, there’s a space for you to go to God in prayer. Also, from noon to 1 p.m., we’ll have a special service here in the Sanctuary. Details can be found at www.cbcfamily.org/ndop.

DISCORD OR JOY: TUNING YOUR EMOTIONAL PLAYLIST Starting next month, Discord or Joy: Tuning Your Emotional Playlist, will be a four-week class for anyone to join, and it’s happening here at the Fort Worth Campus. Designed to complement our current sermon series, I Think. I Feel. I Am., we’ll find ways to tune our emotions into a melody that sounds just right. Read more about this class, see details and complete your registration by visiting www.cbcfamily.org/emotions.

ELDER PRAYER The elders and their wives would love to spend time with you and pray for any encouragement or healing you need in your life right now. God does extraordinary things when we go to Him, and we’re excited to do this together Sunday, May 19 at 12:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Learn more at www.cbcfamily.org/elderprayer.

DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE A 5 P.M. SERVICE? We created the 5 p.m. service with the BE, MAKE and REACH vision in mind, opening more opportunities for others to meet Jesus. So come and meet more of the staff, welcome new families and use this as a REACH opportunity for those around you! We’ll see you there!



LOOKING FOR THE CONNECT CARD? Scan the QR code here to fill out a Connect Card. Our team will reach out this week to answer your questions and tell you more about Christ Chapel.

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