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Summary

Scripture: John 4:5-35

God desires to rescue the lost. Our job is to be there when the Spirit is provoking. Helping others come to faith is one of the most invigorating things a person can do. It's important not to be over-concerned with our very real issues and lose sight of sharing our faith with others. The Biblical account of Jesus' meeting with the Samaritan woman at the well illustrates the following three aspects of God's heart for lost people:

1. None of our differences will stop God from engaging us.
 - a. He listens to her respectfully not correctively.
2. God wants to build relationships with people.
3. God wants to bring each person to a place of honest admission.
 - a. God is delivering us from our own deception, sin, guilt and shame.

Discussion Questions:

1. Describe an experience where you had an opportunity to talk to someone about Jesus. How did you feel afterward?

2. How can we, as a small group, increase our availability to be used by the Holy Spirit to share the heart of God with others?

3. What kind of behaviors and attitudes show others the heart of God for the lost?

4. What kind of behaviors and attitudes hinder the moving of the Holy Spirit in the lives of others?