

Series: Restoring My Relationship with God – Part 3

Scripture: John 4:1-41

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HOW TO HELP OTHERS IN THEIR SEARCH FOR GOD

1. MEET PEOPLE _____.

John 4:1-6 ...When the Lord learned of this, he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee. Now he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

Acts 1:8 But when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power to testify about me with great effect, to the people in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth, about my death and resurrection."

Practical suggestions...

2. BUILD A _____ WITH OTHERS.

John 4:7-9 When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

1 Cor. 9:22 I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some.

How to create opportunities...

3. CLEARLY POINT OUT THE _____.

John 4:10-15 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."...Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life. " The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water." How Jesus shared his message...

1. He didn't have a _____ speech or a _____ presentation.
2. He tailored the message to the _____ of the person.
3. He _____ the _____.

Acts 4:29 Now, Lord... enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.

4. SHARE _____ TO HELP _____ BELIEVE.

John 4:16-19 He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true. " "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet.

1 Peter 3:15 Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

5. RESTORE YOUR _____ AND _____ FOR REACHING OUT TO OTHERS.

John 4:28-30 Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" They came out of the town and made their way toward him.

Where is your passion to invite the unchurched to church?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
No desire Sometimes I invite others I invite people & pets!

John 4:35,39,41 Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! **They are ripe for harvest...** Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony...And because of his words many more became believers.

Philemon 1:6 I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.