

# CURRENT SERIES

## Soul Activity

Jesus tells us the greatest commandment is to love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves. In this series, we will explore what it means to be a disciple and how our relationship with God can affect each of these aspects of our life. If you've ever felt like you're not sure what following Jesus looks like or you wish you could be getting more out of that relationship, this series is for you!

## SERMON NOTES

### Week 2: Following Jesus

John 4:7-18 | Pastor Matthew Starner

**John 4:7-18 NLT:** Soon a Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Please give me a drink."<sup>8</sup> He was alone at the time because his disciples had gone into the village to buy some food.

<sup>9</sup>The woman was surprised, for Jews refuse to have anything to do with Samaritans. She said to Jesus, "You are a Jew, and I am a Samaritan woman. Why are you asking me for a drink?"

<sup>10</sup>Jesus replied, "If you only knew the gift God has for you and who you are speaking to, you would ask me, and I would give you living water."

<sup>11</sup>"But sir, you don't have a rope or a bucket," she said, "and this well is very deep. Where would you get this living water?"

<sup>12</sup>And besides, do you think you're greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us this well? How can you offer better water than he and his sons and his animals enjoyed?"

<sup>13</sup>Jesus replied, "Anyone who drinks this water will soon become thirsty again.<sup>14</sup> But those who drink the water I give will never be thirsty again. It becomes a fresh, bubbling spring within them, giving them eternal life."

<sup>15</sup>"Please, sir," the woman said, "give me this water! Then I'll never be thirsty again, and I won't have to come here to get water."

<sup>16</sup>"Go and get your husband," Jesus told her.

<sup>17</sup>"I don't have a husband," the woman replied.

Jesus said, "You're right! You don't have a husband—<sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and you aren't even married to the man you're living with now. You certainly spoke the truth!"

Our hearts are looking for \_\_\_\_\_.

The primary place of significance in our lives belongs to \_\_\_\_\_.

The woman in the story ran to the well of \_\_\_\_\_.  
What "well" do you keep \_\_\_\_\_?

**Jeremiah 2:13 ESV:** For my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.

Jesus and Jeremiah are both calling us to take a good look at our lives and to identify what our heart and soul are \_\_\_\_\_.

As a disciple of Jesus, this is a \_\_\_\_\_.

Get in the habit of asking yourself: What do I need \_\_\_\_\_ to set my heart and soul on Jesus?

# TALK IT OVER

Talking through the sermon during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into next steps. These questions and scriptures are designed to help you take your next step in your relationship with Jesus.

1. Read John 4:7-18. What were the possible idols of the woman at the well? How did Jesus get her attention?
2. What are some of the idols that our culture tries to pass off as acceptable?
3. What do you find difficult about loving God with all your heart and soul all of the time?
4. How can you know if you are loving God with all your heart and soul like He desires?
5. What is a way that you've found to keep Jesus first in your heart and soul?

## THIS WEEK IN THE BIBLE

These verses help take today's sermon beyond Sunday and into the rest of our week. Take time to read through these verses either alone, with your family, or with a friend. Talk about how these verses apply to your life today or what God might be teaching you through His Word.

<b>Sunday</b>	Mark 12:29-31
<b>Monday</b>	John 4:7-18
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jeremiah 2:13
<b>Wednesday</b>	Isaiah 58:11
<b>Thursday</b>	John 7:38
<b>Friday</b>	John 6:35
<b>Saturday</b>	Revelation 7:16

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