1 - **Principles of Evangelism**

John Chapter 4 - Jesus & The Samaritan Woman

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3 - **Jesus comes to Sychar in Samaria**

* History of the Samaritans. (2 Kings 17; cf., Ezra 4:3-6; vs. 9)
* Goes to Jacob’s well ***“wearied from His journey”*** – the 6th hour. (Matthew 8:24; 21:18)
* A woman of Samaria comes to draw water … rare that a Jewish man would converse with a woman… (John 4:9)
* Jesus asks for a drink from this woman. (vs. 7)
* **What does this opportunity** represent to Jesus? (vs. 31-34; Zechariah 4:10; Colossians 4:5)
* Jesus has some “good news” for this woman.

4 - **Principle #1**

**To evangelize, God needs man to carry His word to receptive hearts.**

* Though the power is in God’s word, we must “***go***” (Mark 16:15; 5:19; Luke 9:60) to those who need the good news… (Acts 10; Romans 10:12-17)
* We must teach and answer questions. (vs. 19, 28-29)
* **More work than laborers**. (Luke 10:2; Eph. 4:11-16)

5 - **Principle #2**

Evangelism is about **making the most of open doors**, no matter how unlikely the opportunity may seem. (Colossians 4:2-6)

* We need to “***lift up our eyes***” (vs. 35)
* ***“Do you see this woman?”*** (Luke 7:44)
* Note who or what the “***door***” is for in vs. 3… “***the word***” which **we must speak**!

6 - **Principle #3**

**Evangelism must be viewed as something that actually sustains us.**

* How Paul view evangelism… Romans 1:14-16; **not just a duty**, but something he was “***eager***” and ***“not ashamed”*** to do.
* It is the will of God we do so! (Mark 16:15; 2 Tim. 2:2)

7 - **Principle # 4**

**Evangelism requires conviction of sin and the need for salvation**.

* Peter evangelized on the day of Pentecost, only after convicting them of their sin. (Acts 2:22-36)
* Paul preached sanctification and justification to the Corinthians after convicting them of their sin.
(1 Corinthians 6:9-11)
* How do we do that? (Ephesians 4:14; Luke 10:41-42)

8 - **Principle # 5**

**Evangelism is about turning the fleshly into the spiritual** and **getting others concerned about their spiritual wellbeing**. (3 John 2)

* **What do you want?** (Mark 10; John 6:26-27)
* **Where is our focus**? (Colossians 3:1-2)
* **Must avoid being distracted**. (Mark 4:18-19;
Luke 10:40-42)

9 - **Principle #6**

**Evangelism is understanding the impact of sharing the good news with just one soul.**

* The “butterfly effect”. One conversation can lead to so many others. (vs. 39-42; John 2:41, 45; 2 Timothy 2:2)