



In the Flesh – John 4

January 14 | Group Discussion Guide

Begin with an icebreaker, a Scripture reading, and prayer (10 minutes).

Begin your time together by sharing your highs and lows from the past week.

Next, have someone read **John 4**.

After reading, have someone pray for your group time together.

Discuss the Scripture and the sermon as a large group (35 minutes).

Take a few moments to reflect on the following questions:

- In this passage, Jesus offers the woman at the well living water. What does he mean by this offer?
- Have you ever felt spiritually thirsty? When? What were you experiencing in that season?
- Reflecting on the Samaritan woman's encounter at the well, what wells in your life have you gone to for satisfaction? Have they filled you or left you empty? Explain.
- Where do people in our world often go to for satisfaction? Why will those things never ultimately fill us?
- The Samaritan woman left her water jar at the well when she went to share her transformative encounter. What symbolic "water jars" in your life do you need to leave behind to experience deeper satisfaction and fulfillment?
- Reflect on times when external factors, like societal norms or expectations, have influenced your sense of satisfaction. How does the message of living water in John 4 challenge or affirm these external influences in your life?
- Considering the Samaritan woman's transformation from dissatisfaction to evangelism Dan pointed out that, "Only God's mission will satisfy your deepest hunger." How has encountering moments of spiritual satisfaction in Jesus influenced your desire to share those experiences with others?

Spend time praying as a group for satisfaction in Christ (15 minutes).

Using the Scripture Dan mentioned in his sermon, pray for spiritual satisfaction for your group and spiritual discontentment that you may feel now or may feel at some point in the future.

- Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them (John 7:38).
- I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full (John 10:10).
- This is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent (John 17:3).

Finish with logistics and prayer (15 minutes).

1. Make sure to inform your group about the study devotionals available to help you walk through gospel of John series! You can find that material at thecreek.org/devotionals.
2. Share any logistics that you need to with your group.
3. Finish your group session by sharing prayer requests.