

KINGS NORTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday 29th September 2024

“A harvest of souls”

Welcome Thanks for those who put the display together, thank you to those who have brought something a service of thanks.

Scripture Genesis 8:20-22

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good and faithful....

Hymn **MP 200 Great is thy faithfulness**

Reading Psalm 104:1-30

Prayer Pray of thankfulness

Children’s talk Thankfulness

Hymn **MP 732 We plough the fields and scatter**

Choose songs **MP 23 All things bright and beautiful**

Notices

Prayer time

Reading John’s gospel chapter 4:27-42 (page 1069)

Hymn **MP 106 Come ye thankful people come.**

Semon **Jesus has come to find - a harvest of souls**

Hymn **MP 367 Jesus is Lord**

Doxology

Close -----

Prayer

This morning we have been thinking about the harvest and celebrating the Lord’s goodness. The farmers have gathered in what had been growing over the months and when ripe it’s been harvested and brought into the barns. It’s all in, and we thank the Lord for it. This display is a reminder.

Jesus is seeking a harvest - Jesus is speaking about a harvest of people x2.

Our attention this morning is on what Jesus says in verses 34-38. Jesus is on the road. He’s been travelling with his disciples from Judea in the south to Galilee in the north. The route took him through Samaria. **MAP**

Jesus in his humanity experienced all that you and I do. So we read that he was tired from the journey and sat down by a well to rest. It is here he encounters a Samaritan woman. **PIC** We don’t have time this morning to dwell on that conversation, it would be a whole sermon in itself. Suffice to say that it was not normal for a Jewish man to talk to a woman, nor for a Jewish man to talk to a Samaritan. However, meeting this Samaritan woman is part of the Lord’s divine plan and as a result of her encounter with Jesus - she puts her faith in Christ.

So the first point is that Jesus is looking for a harvest - from unlikely people - from unlikely places.

Samaria was an area of the former 10 tribes of Israel known as the Northern Kingdom. Because of their idolatry the Lord took them away to exile through the invasion by the cruel Assyrians. This idolatry was not the worship of a false deity but the worship of the true God - but in a way contrary to what God had said. Note that attempting to worship the true God in another way – is actually no worship at all.

God, after much patience finally thrusts them from his presence. Having been removed, the Assyrians repopulated the area bringing in all sorts of people, the result was a mixed people with a mixed religion. This is Samaria, a nation the Jews looked down on, and a people they tried to avoid because of their distorted, wrong

view of God. So when a Jew travelled to Galilee in the north they would avoid going through Samaria. But the route Jesus chose to take brought him through Samaria, in fact through its centre. **MAP routes.**

The Jews were waiting for their Messiah to come – and come to them. He was not for other people. Especially not those people. Those underserving people. Those godless people. And yet the Lord has time for ‘those people’ just as the Lord has had time for me, He has time for you.

It was against all convention that Christ should converse with this woman alone, a sinful woman, a foreign woman, especially a Samaritan woman. She was not one of the lost sheep of the house of Israel. But as we look on at Jesus speaking to this outsider let’s not forget that we all are like her. How is it with the ugliness of my sin, that Christ should stop and come and accept me?

But that is why Jesus came

Jesus is clear about his work – He came to seek and to save the lost. He did not come for the healthy but for the sick. He did not come for the righteous but the unrighteous. Not for the good but for the bad. That’s why Jesus came. 34 **"My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.**

And this work is to draw people from out of the world - to himself, a great harvest of souls. ‘That is why I have come’ he says ‘to preach the gospel, the good news of the kingdom. To see the kingdom of the God set up on earth.’ This work he here compares to harvest work, the gathering in of the fruits of the earth. That is a people separated out to be Christ’s forever. Those he bought with his own blood shed on that cross.

As Jesus stood on Samaritan soil he says to his disciples 35b **I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.** Yes even here – there will be people from here, in my Kingdom.

His disciples are learning a lesson from the master, open your eyes and look. Did the disciples get the wrong end of the stick and look to see what was growing in the fields, maybe? What should the disciples have seen?

People, many people, 30 **They came out of the town and made their way towards him.** there they are streaming his way. Here’s the harvest.

Do you have eyes to see it? Can you see *who* the Lord is bringing to himself? Do you have the eyes of faith to see what the Lord of grace can do in that unlikely person - from that unlikely place. There’s a harvest to be had for the Lord. He can do it. Do you believe that? In the area the Lord has placed you, in your workplace, amongst your neighbours, in your block, on your road, in your class at school. Who will it be that the Lord will call? Will you be the instrument He uses to bring that person?, just as the Lord used this woman, this unpopular woman looked down upon by her own? Yet she suddenly becomes bold. Something had happened with her and she just had to tell others... **the woman went back to the town and said to the people,** 29 **"Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. x2 Could this be the Christ?"** This is a sign that the Lord has been at work in you, you can’t keep it in, you have to tell others of Jesus.

She does not say, “Come, see a man that has told me interesting things concerning religious worship. No. She did not say come and see a man who has impressed me with his knowledge, No, or has power, No, or can make a show. No, she says “Come see a man that has told me of my sins.”

She invites them to “Come and look upon Him, converse with Him; come and hear His wisdom.

She said **come and see** - and they did 30 **They came out of the town and made their way towards him.**

So there they are, Samaritans streaming His way like that army of people which only spiritual eyes can see.

Nor did they stop and gaze on from a distance No, v40 **the Samaritans came to him. they came to him** That is what anyone needs to do to be saved, not stare from a distance but come to him. **Who here has still to do that? Jesus is calling you - what are you waiting for?**

Jesus stayed with them and taught them. We are told 41 **because of his words** – they heard the word of God. **many more became believers.** Indeed **faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.**” Ro 10:17

The disciples are told ‘look’ there’s a harvest. But when? 35a **Do you not say, ‘Four months more and then the harvest?’** So when was the time of harvest? Another four months?

Because of the climate Israel has two harvests; one in the spring and one in the autumn. Jesus’ journey was probably in January four months before the first harvest in May ‘the feast of the first-fruits’ as we say ‘spring harvest’. Their first harvest was ready by Pentecost.

Let me show you how this fits with the Jewish festivals see **CHART**

The Passover was on the 14th day of the 3rd month. You can read about this in Exodus 12. but this was re-set to now be the 1st first month. For everything starts with the Lamb that was slain. The Passover also known as the feast of unleaven Bread remembered when the Lord rescued His people from being held in slavery by the Egyptians. God's judgment came upon the Egyptians but those who obeyed the Lord and put lamb's blood on their door posts were saved. They were those 'under the blood' when the destroying angel came by - he 'passed over' them x2. And they were saved.

Once they entered the promised land and gathered in their first crops they celebrated the harvest. This was seven weeks after the Passover. 7 x 7 days plus one the day after the Sabbath is Sunday. It was at this harvest festival many years later that the church was born at Pentecost, (Pente meaning fifty) the beginning of the church. The harvest of people from every nation.

Then as you can see from the chart there's a long gap < >. Then in the 7th month with the final harvest we have in rapid succession three remaining festivals.

1. Trumpets - 1st day of 7th month
2. The day of atonement - 10th day of 7th month check
3. The feasts of tabernacles or Booths Succoth - 15th day of 7th month.

Here is the final harvest, the end of the harvest age. The end of the world.

The Trumpets blow, the 'last trump' 1 Cor 15. They are heard everywhere. Here is the trumpet call of God 1 Thess 4:16 announcing Christ's return. They blow to prepare the Lord's people 'get ready for departure'.

The Lord also uses trumpets as a warning of impending judgment.

Then **the day of atonement**. Two goats are given, one is slaughtered and its blood put on the mercy seat, where a Holy God will meet with a sinner. On the other the high priest lays both hands confessing all His people's sins before being banished - That signifies how God no longer sees our sins.

Those atoned by the blood of Christ are saved – while it's the time of serious punishment for those who have not, - or will not come to Christ and be under the blood. Lev 16 is given over to it. Lasting 7 days it ends with a day of rest.

So finally **Tabernacles**, the Lord now tabernacles / dwells with his people. The extended period afterwards speaks of the endless eternity. The Gospel.

So we are in the last days, from Christ's ascension to his glorious return. It is also known as the Gospel age, or should we say the harvest age. To us too Jesus says: 35b **I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.**

36 **Even now the reaper draws his wages**, - wages are given as the job is completed - **even now he harvests the crop for eternal life**, that is what it is all about, bringing souls from death to life, eternal life is found in Jesus alone. How wonderful to have everlasting life, how wonderful to see others all sharing in this as well.

so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. We all have a part to play, . 37 **Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true.** whether you are dropping GN papers through your neighbours letterboxes to break up the ground, whether you are sowing the seed as you speak into the lives of those around, or you're the one with the watering can inviting folk on Sunday morning to hear the word of God and see the different Holy lives of Christians. Maybe you are the one who is asked "What must I do to be saved and you see them come to the Lord" so indeed **the sower and the reaper may be glad together.** We rejoice as the angels in heaven rejoice.

Jesus says: 38 **I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labour."**

I sent you That is what you are to do – what I am to do.

Jesus sets the pattern of sowing and the reaping. John the Baptist had prepared a people for the Lord. Lu 1:17. There is preaching, sowing the seed and then reaping. Today with the huge ignorance of the word of God, much of our work now is sowing.

■ **In the Hebrides the word of God was already in their hearts, so it was a time of very powerful reaping.** In some other revivals the reaping seems to immediately follow the sowing. In one hand we hold the Bible sowing the seed of the word of God - in the other we have the sickle to harvest what was sown.

✚ Four months was not long for it to ripen so let us be expecting to reap.

Sowing and reaping is the Lord's work for every one of His people, we are all his witnesses. "Oh I'm not able to say much" you say. Well you can say what the Lord has done. You can invite people as this woman did 29 **'Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Christ?'**

The woman at the well was no theologian in the eyes of the religious leaders, yet she now knew all that was important to know. Theology – the essential truth of God are revealed by Him. If you are born again by His Spirit, the Spirit of truth and you know the Lord - then you can [tell your story, testify to what the Lord has done. Write it down, the long and the short and the very short version. Pray and look for opportunities, they'll come.](#)

Through this one poor woman, the news spread to a whole town. Let no gospel carrier be discouraged when you talk to one seemingly uninterested person. The Lord can bring life to the one seed and produce the many.

The woman thought she had ended the conversation with the words 25 **"I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."** Oh how they'd been waiting, it was all a remote dream, this promised messiah who would come and change everything.

But now there's the bombshell – This long awaiting promised Messiah - is standing before her. 26 **Then Jesus declared, "I who speak to you am he."** These word would have been a shock that sent a shiver down her spine. Jesus literally says *Ego Eimi* 'I, I am He, the one speaking to you'. Like every Jew the Samaritans believed in the Pentateuch the five books of Moses. In Exodus 3:14 the Lord God says 'I am' has sent me to you. Jesus is declaring 'I am that Lord, I am Yahweh, I am that one true God'. Phew.

Bang, suddenly she could see it. Have you? Do you see just who Jesus is??

This has a profound effect on her, she runs off back to the town to tell them. 28 **Then, leaving her water jar, x2** why did she do that?

4. Was it in kindness to Christ, that he might have water to drink?, not sure!
5. Did she leave it so she could run more easily and quickly? Don't think so!
6. Or did she leave her water jar as one who had no more need of it, she is now taken up with better things. Those who are brought to the knowledge of Christ will show it by a holy contempt of this world and the things of it.

Have you left your water jar?, that leaking jar, the jar that's been used to draw water from the wells of this world with is vain entertainments, it's false hopes and empty promises, are you always coming back for more and more and yet never satisfied?

From Christ comes living water. Here is his invitation to you this morning **"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."** Joh 4:14

Have you drunk of it? Will you now do so? Christ has done everything for you to come and receive it freely. Leave that old water jar, leave your worldly cares behind, stop striving. Look to Him alone, and you will receive. You will receive what is lasting and glorious.

This once sinful woman is now radiant, she is clothed in bright raiment and gathered with many others around the throne of God. And all this because Jesus stopped by a well on his journey. Who would have thought.

Jesus stayed an extra two days. They were not wasted. He interrupted his travelling for he knew His father had a purpose for him there.

Has the Lord brought you to a place and you need to linger more? Do you sense there is a work for you to do? Has His spirit impresses you with it? Obey his voice, obey the call.

41 **And because of his words many more became believers.** These new believers then spread the word to others. The seed of the gospel was now sown in Samaria.

What effect was there of this afterwards? Was that it? ... we find that four or five years afterwards, when Philip preached the gospel in Samaria he found such blessed remains of this good work now wrought that the people with one accord gave heed to his message. Hear these words from Acts 8...

Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went. Philip went down to a city in Samaria and proclaimed the Christ there. When the crowds heard Philip and saw the miraculous signs he did, they all paid close attention to what he said. With shrieks, evil spirits came out of many, and many paralytics and cripples were healed. So there was great joy in that city. Ac 8:4-8

Gospel time is harvest time, and gospel work - harvest work.

✚ Are you sowing and harvesting? If not then you need to be harvested!

The harvest time is busy time; all hands are needed for the work: everyone must work do his part that he may reap of the graces of the gospel: ministers must work for God, to gather in souls to him. Harvest time is a short and limited time which will not last, it's a moment of opportunity, the work must be done then, or not at all. So reaping from the gospel too has its season, for once past it cannot be recalled. Can you sense it? Is it now? Are we to hear the Lord say to us at KNBC "**I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest**". Let us apply the proverb that says **He who wins souls is wise**. That's a harvest, a harvest of souls for Christ.

END

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聖經 創世記 8:20-22

感謝主，因為祂是良善和信實的.....

聖歌 MP 200 你的信實偉大

讀詩篇 104:1-30

感恩的祈禱

兒童談話《感恩》

聖歌 MP 732 我們耕田並分散

選擇歌曲 MP 23 一切明亮而美麗

通知

祈禱時間 6 x 兒童祈禱，其他則主禱文。

包括感謝您的奉獻

讀約翰福音第 4 章 27-42 章 (第 1069 頁)

Hymn MP 106 來吧，感恩的人來吧。

西門耶穌來尋找—靈魂的收割

聖詩 MP 367 耶穌是主

讚美詩

關閉 -----

禱告

今天早上我們一直在思考豐收並慶祝主的良善。農民們把幾個月來生長的東西收集起來，成熟後就被收割並運進穀倉。一切都完成了，我們為此感謝主。該顯示是一個提醒。

耶穌正在尋求豐收 - 耶穌正在談論人們的豐收x2。

今天早上我們的注意力集中在耶穌在 34-38

節所說的話。耶穌在路上。他與門徒一起從南方的猶太到北方的加利利。他的路線經過撒瑪利亞。地圖

耶穌以祂的人性經歷了你我所做的一切。於是我們讀到他因旅途勞累，坐在井邊休息。正是在這裡，他遇見了一位撒瑪利亞婦人。今天早上我們沒有時間詳細討論那場談話，這本身就是一次完整的講道。可以說，猶太男人與女人交談是不正常的，猶太男人與撒瑪利亞人交談也是不正常的。然而，遇見這位撒瑪利亞婦人是主神聖計劃的一部分，並且由於她與耶穌的相遇，她相信了基督。

所以第一點是，耶穌正在尋找收穫——來自不太可能的人——來自不太可能的地方。

撒瑪利亞是以色列前 10

個部落的地區，被稱為北方王國。由於他們的偶像崇拜，主因殘酷的亞述人的入侵而將他們流放。這種偶像崇拜不是對假神的崇拜，而是對真神的崇拜——但方式與神所說的相反。請注意，試圖以另一種方式敬拜真神——實際上根本不是敬拜。

上帝在經過長時間的耐心之後終於將他們從祂面前趕走。亞述人被驅逐後，重新定居該地區，帶來了各種各樣的人，其結果是形成了具有混合宗教的混合民族。這就是撒瑪利亞，一個猶太人瞧不起的國家，也是一個他們試圖避開的民族，因為他們對上帝有扭曲、錯誤的看法。因此，當猶太人前往北方的加利利時，他們會避免經過撒瑪利亞。但耶穌選擇的路線是經過撒瑪利亞，實際上是經過撒瑪利亞的中心。地圖路線。

猶太人正在等待他們的彌賽亞來臨——

並來到他們身邊。他不是為了別人。尤其是那些人。那些服務不足的人

人們。那些無神論者。然而，主有時間照顧“那些人”，就像主有時間照顧我一樣，祂也有時間照顧你。

基督單獨與這個有罪的女人，一個外邦女人，特別是一個撒瑪利亞女人交談，這違反了所有的慣例。她不是以色列家迷失的羊之一。

但當我們看著耶穌對這個局外人說話時，我們不要忘記我們都像她一樣。我的罪孽多麼醜陋，基督怎麼會停下來接受我呢？

但這就是耶穌來的原因

耶穌對他的工作很清楚——

他來是為了尋找並拯救失喪的人。他不是為健康人而來，而是為病人而來。他不是為義人而來，而是為不義的人而來。不是為了好的，而是為了壞的。這就是耶穌來的原因。 34

耶穌說：「我的食物就是遵行差我來者的旨意，完成他的工作。」

而這份工作就是把人們從世界之外吸引到自己身邊，是靈魂的偉大收穫。他說：“這就是為什麼我來這裡傳播福音，天國的好消息。”看見上帝的國度在地球上建立起來。那是一群被分別出來永遠屬於基督的人。那些他用自己的血買來的人都流在十字架上。

當耶穌站在撒瑪利亞的土地上時，祂對門徒說： 35b

我告訴你們，睜開眼睛，看著田野！它們已經成熟，可以收穫了。是的，即使在這裡——也會有人來自這裡，在我的王國裡。

弟子們正在向師父學習，睜開眼睛看看。也許門徒弄錯了方向，想看看田裡長了什麼？門徒該看到什麼？

人們，很多人， 30 他們從城裡出來，朝他走來。他們正朝他的方向湧去。這就是收穫。

你有眼睛看到嗎？你能看見主正在把誰帶到祂身邊嗎？你是否有信心的眼睛來看看恩典之主能在那個不太可能的人身上——從那個不太可能的地方——

做些什麼？為主有一個收成。他能做到。你相信嗎？在主為你安排的區域，在你的工作場所，在你的鄰居中，在你的街區，在你的道路上，在你學校的班級裡。主會呼召誰呢？你會成為祂用來帶那個人的工具嗎？

用了這個女人，這個不受歡迎的女人，被自己看不起？但她突然變得大膽。她發生了一些事，她不得不告訴別人...那個女人回到城裡，對人們說：29「來吧，看看一個人，他告訴了我我所做過的一切。x2這可能是基督嗎？這是主在你心裡動工的標誌，你不能把它藏在心裡，你必須告訴別人有關耶穌的事。

她沒有說：「來吧，見一個人，他告訴了我有關宗教崇拜的有趣事情。不，她沒有說來見一個以他的知識給我留下深刻印象的男人，不，或者有權力，不，或者可以表演。不，她說：“來見一個已經告訴我罪過的男人。”

她邀請他們「來看他，與他交談；來聽聽他的智慧吧。

她說來看看——他們就這麼做了。

所以他們就在那裡，撒瑪利亞人像只有屬靈的眼睛才能看見的大軍一樣湧向他。

他們也沒有停下來遠遠地注視，第40節，撒瑪利亞人來到祂那裡。他們來找他

這就是任何人要得救所需要做的，不是遠遠地凝視，而是來到他身邊。這裡誰還要做那件事？耶穌正在呼喚你——你還在等什麼？

耶穌與他們在一起並教導他們。我們被告知 41

因為祂的話—他們聽到了神的話。更多人成為信徒。確實，信心是從聽道而來的，而聽道是藉著基督的話而來的。羅馬書 10:17

門徒們被告知『看』有收穫。但什麼時候呢？ 35a

你們不是說：『還有四個月就可以收割了』嗎？那麼，收穫的季節是什麼時候呢？還有四個月？

由於氣候原因，以色列有兩次收成；一個在春天，一個在秋天。耶穌的旅程可能在一月，距離第一次收穫五月「初熟節」（我們所謂的「春季收穫」）還有四個月。他們的第一個收穫在五旬節之前就已經準備好了。

讓我向您展示這與猶太節日的契合程度（請參閱圖表）

逾越節是在三月十四日。你可以在《出埃及記》第 12

章中讀到這一點。因為一切都始於被殺的羔羊。逾越節也被稱為

無酵節紀念主將祂的子民從埃及人的奴役中拯救出來。神的審判臨到了埃及人，但那些順服神、將羔羊血塗在門柱上的人就得救了。當毀滅天使經過時，他們是那些「在血之下」的人——他「越過了」他們x2。他們得救了。

一旦他們進入應許之地並收穫了第一批莊稼，他們就慶祝了豐收。這是逾越節後七週。 7 x 7

天加上安息日後的一天是星期日。正是在多年後的這個豐收節上，教會在五旬節誕生了，（五旬節的意思是五十）教會的開始。各國人民的收穫。

然後從圖表中可以看到，有一個很長的差距<>。然後在最後收穫的第七個月，我們迅速連續地度過了剩下的三個節日。

1. 小號 - 第七個月的第一天

2. 贖罪日 - 第七個月檢查的第十天

3. 疏割住棚節或棚節—七月十五日。

這是最後的收穫，收穫時代的結束。世界末日。

號角吹響，「最後的王牌」1 Cor 15。這是神宣告基督再來的號角（帖前

4:16）。它們吹響是為了讓主的子民「準備好出發」。

主也使用號角來警告即將到來的審判。

然後是贖罪日。獻上兩隻山羊，其中一隻被宰殺，它的血被塗在施恩座上，聖潔的神將在那裡與罪人會面。另一方面，大祭司在被放逐之前雙手合十，承認祂的子民所有的罪孽—這表示神不再看見我們的罪。

那些被基督的寶血贖罪的人都得救了——

而對於那些沒有、或不願來到基督面前並在寶血之下的人來說，這是受到嚴厲懲罰的時候。 Lev 16 已交給它。持續7天，最後休息一天。

最後，住棚節，主現在住棚節/與祂的子民同住。之後的漫長歲月訴說著無盡的永恆。福音。

所以我們正處於末後的日子，從基督的升天到祂榮耀的再來。它也被稱為福音時代，或者我們應該說是收穫時代。耶穌也對我們說： 35b

我告訴你們，睜開你們的眼睛，看田野！它們已經成熟，可以收穫了。 36

即使現在收割者也領取他的工資，—工資是在工作完成時給予的—

即使現在他收割莊稼以獲得永生，這就是一切的意義，使靈魂出死入生，永生在耶穌裡找到獨自的。擁有永生是多麼美好，看到其他人也分享永生是多麼美好。

使撒種的和收割的一同快樂。我們每個人都可以發揮自己的作用。 37

因此，「一分耕耘，一分收穫」這句話是對的。無論你是透過鄰居的信箱扔 GN

文件來破壞地面，無論你是在向周圍人的生活中講話時播下種子，還是你是那個拿著噴壺邀請人們在周日早上聽到神的話語，看看基督徒不同的聖潔生活。也許你就是那個被問到「我必須做什麼才能得救，然後你會看到他們歸向主」的人，所以撒種者和收割者確實可以一起快樂。我們像天上的天使一樣喜樂。

耶穌說：38 我差你們去收你們未曾勞苦的。別人付出了辛勤的勞動，而你卻收穫了他們的勞動成果。我派你去，這就是你要做的事—我要做的事。

耶穌設定了播種和收割的模式。施洗約翰為主預備了一群人。路1:17。有傳道，播種，然後收穫。今天，由於人們對神的話語極為無知，我們現在大部分的工作都是撒種。

在赫布里底群島，神的話語已經在他們心裡，所以這是一個非常強大的收割時期。在其他一些復興中，播種之後似乎就立即收穫。我們一方面拿著聖經，撒下神話語的種子，一方面拿著鐮刀來收割所撒的種子。

四個月的時間對於它成熟來說並不長，讓我們期待收穫吧。

播種和收割是主為祂每一位子民所做的工作，我們都是祂的見證人。

“哦，我不能說太多”你說。好吧，你可以說出主做了什麼。你可以像這個女人那樣邀請人們 29 ‘來吧，見一個男人，他告訴了我我所做的一切。這可能是基督嗎？

在宗教領袖眼中，井邊的女人並不是神學家，但她現在知道了所有重要的事情。神學—上帝的基本真理是由他啟示的。如果你透過祂的靈，真理的靈重生，並且你認識主—那麼你可以告訴你的故事，見證主所做的事。寫下來，長的、短的和非常短的版本。祈禱並尋找機會，他們就會來。透過這個可憐的女人，消息傳遍了整個城鎮。當你與一個看似不感興趣的人交談時，不要讓福音傳播者灰心喪志。主可以為一粒種子帶來生命，並產生許多種子。

女人以為她已經用這句話結束了談話。哦，他們多麼等待啊，這一切都是一個遙遠的夢想，這個承諾的彌賽亞會到來並改變一切。

但現在重磅炸彈—這位期待已久的應許彌賽亞—就站在她面前。 26

耶穌說：「對你說話的就是他。」這句話使她感到震驚，背脊發涼。耶穌字面意思是「我，我就是他，對你說話的那個」。像每個猶太人一樣，撒瑪利亞人相信摩西五經（摩西五經）。在出埃及記 3 章 14 節中，主神說‘我是’，差遣我到你們這裡來。耶穌宣告「我是主，我是耶和華，我是獨一真神」。噹。

砰，她突然看到了。你？你明白耶穌是誰嗎？

這對她產生了深遠的影響，她跑回鎮上告訴他們。 28 那麼，離開她的水罐，x2 她為什麼要這麼做？

4. 是出於對基督的仁慈，讓祂有水喝嗎？
5. 她留下它是為了讓她跑得更輕鬆、更快嗎？別這麼想！
- 6.

或者她是否不再需要水罐了，她現在正忙於更好的事情。那些認識基督的人會透過對這個世界及其事物的神聖蔑視來表明這一點。

你的水罐子留下了嗎？，卻再也沒有回來？

活水從基督而來。這是他今天早上向你們發出的邀請：「誰喝了我所賜的水就永遠不渴。確實，我所賜給他的水，要在他裡面成為泉源，直湧到永生。約 4:14

你喝過嗎？現在你會這樣做嗎？基督已經為你做了一切，讓你可以自由地接受它。留下那個舊水罐，留下你的

世俗的關心在後面，停止奮鬥。唯獨仰望他，你就會得到。你將得到持久而榮耀的東西。

這個曾經有罪的女人現在容光煥發，她穿著鮮豔的衣服，與許多其他人聚集在上帝的寶座周圍。這一切都是因為耶穌在旅途中停在一口井邊。誰曾想到。

耶穌又多待了兩天。他們並沒有被浪費。他中斷了旅行，因為他知道父親來這裡有他的目的。

主是否帶你到了一個地方，而你需要更多地逗留？你覺得有工作要做嗎？他的精神有沒有打動你呢？聽從他的聲音，聽從他的召喚。

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因祂的話，信主的人就多了。然後這些新信徒將這個消息傳承給其他人。福音的種子現已播撒在撒瑪利亞。

這件事後來有什麼影響呢？是這樣嗎？

……我們發現，四五年後，當腓利在撒瑪利亞傳講福音時，他發現這項善工現在所留下的祝福如此之多，以至於人們一致聽從了他的信息。聽聽使徒行傳第 8 章的這些話…

那些分散的人無論走到哪裡都傳福音。腓利下撒瑪利亞的一座城，在那裡宣講基督。當群眾聽到腓利的聲音並看到他所行的神蹟時，他們都密切注意他所說的話。隨著尖叫聲，邪靈從許多人身上出來，許多癱子和瘸子都被醫治了。所以那個城市裡充滿了歡樂。使徒行傳 8:4-8

福音時間就是收穫時間，福音工作就是收穫工作。

你在播種和收割嗎？如果沒有，那麼你需要被收割！

收穫時節是忙碌時節；這項工作需要所有人的努力：每個人都必須工作，盡自己的一份力量，以便他可以收穫福音的恩寵：傳道人必須為上帝工作，聚集靈魂歸向他。收穫期是短暫而有限的，不會持續，這是一個機會的時刻，工作必須在那時完成，否則根本不做。因此，從福音中收穫也有它的季節，因為一旦過去就無法回憶。你能感覺到嗎？現在是嗎？我們是否能聽到主在 KNBC

對我們說：「我告訴你們，睜開你們的眼睛，看看田野！它們已經成熟，可以收穫了」。讓我們應用一句諺語：贏得靈魂的人是明智的。這是一次收割，為基督而收割靈魂。

結尾