

Discussion Questions for “Three Ones: One Conversation”

John 4:1-42 (Reading: 4:7-15), Pastor Tom Olson, Weekend of January 17th & 18th, 2026

Sermon Outline

The power of Jesus:

- He gives living water (vv. 7-15).
- He knows everything (vv. 16-19).

The grace of Jesus:

- For the unlikely (vv. 7-9, 27).
- For the relationally scarred (v. 18).

The identity of Jesus:

- He is the Christ (vv. 25-26).
- He is the Savior of the world (vv. 39-42).

The call of Jesus:

- To faith (vv. 39-42).
- To worship (vv. 23-24).

“One Conversation”: Jesus strikes up a conversation with a woman. The woman strikes up a conversation with her town. And many are eternally saved (vv. 1-42).

Sermon Questions

1. In verses 7-15, Jesus speaks of the *living water* He can offer us. And in John 7:37-39, Jesus makes clear that this is a reference to the *Holy Spirit*.
 - a. Why is *living water* a good description of the Spirit’s ministry to us and in us?
 - b. Why are *you* grateful for the Spirit?
2. Jesus proves His *omniscience* in verses 17-18 – that is, that He knows *everything*.
 - a. Why is His omniscience *comforting* to you?
 - b. Why is His omniscience *convicting* to you?
3. The Samaritan woman – in the world’s eyes – was an *unlikely* recipient of Jesus’ time, attention, and grace.
 - a. Are there ways that *you* feel unlikely?
 - b. What, then, is today’s passage saying to you?

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4. Is there an *unlikely* person in your life that you've been overlooking or ignoring?
 - a. Why so?
 - b. What might you do to re-initiate a relationship with him or her?
5. Why are *worship* and *faith* connected?
6. In the last *Three Ones* message, we asked: *Who will be your "One Prayer"?* Now the question is, what practical steps can you take to commit to *"One Conversation"*? That is, what can you do to strike up a *conversation* with this person?
 - a. What can you learn from the example of *Jesus* here in John 4?
 - b. What can you learn from the example of *the Samaritan woman*, as well?
7. Any other takeaways from this passage or message?