

"This is Church is For Everyone"

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God's message: This church is a church for everyone.

Honor Role Challenge

- Accept them
- 2. Be Bold

Acts 22:16 "And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on His name."

Life Group Discussion Questions

Ice Breaker

What was your favorite board game or video game growing up?

Opening Question

What stood out to you from the weekend message? Was there a scripture, principle, or action step that has stuck with you?

Scripture Read John 4

Steve talked about major events in Israel's history occurring in Samaria. Jacob's well was located there, Abraham heard from God there, Joseph's bones were buried there, and Joshua declared "As for me and my house, we shall serve the LORD" in Samaria.

Despite the history mentioned above, the first century Jews despised the Samarians. What is significant about Jesus choosing to reveal himself to a woman in Samaria? How would this have made him look to the Jews of the day? Why did the woman come to the well at noon alone?

Read Acts 9

With the early church growing rapidly, Saul was trying to destroy it. But God had other plans for Saul and dramatically turned him around to work for the kingdom of God, not against it.

Who do you know who had a dramatic conversion experience? How would you feel if you were Saul during the three days that he sat in his room in Damascus – blind trying to figure out what had happened to him? If you were Ananias, how would you have reacted when God told you to go lay hands on Saul? Who is someone in your life like Ananias, who has helped you on your spiritual journey?

Read Luke 2:8-17

Of all the people the angels could have appeared to, why do you suppose God sent them to the shepherds? How does that relate to Mary's song in verses 1:46-55? What three titles are given to Jesus in verse 11? What is significant about them?

Knowing what we have learned from this message, what are your thoughts on how God revealed himself to people who normally would not have been anyone's #1 choice for getting the good news out? What does this reveal about God?

As your week continues what is something you can do from what you learned this week?

Pray