



- B In verse 24, Jesus says that we must worship the Father “in Spirit and in truth.” That phrase indicates that we must know what is true of God in order to worship Him well. What do we know to be true to God? Make a list of your group’s favorite answer to that question.
- 4 Read verses 25-30, and answer these questions:
- A In all of the gospels, this is one of the clearest statements of Jesus regarding His true identity. What do you think it means that He makes this statement to a person who for three reasons (her ethnicity, her gender, and her marital background) was looked down upon by others?
- B The disciples didn’t dare to ask Jesus why he was talking with the woman. Based on what we know of Him, how do you think He might have responded if they had?
- C Having **encountered** Jesus, and after **engaging** Him in eye-opening and faith-building conversation, the woman felt **empowered** to go invite others to come to meet Him as she had. Have you recently seen that same process work out in your own life? If so, discuss it.
- 5 Skip to the end of the story, and read verses 39-42.
- A The other people in town “believed because of the woman’s testimony.” Who was it who led you to put your trust in Christ, and how did they do that? To your knowledge, is there anyone who believes in Jesus because of YOUR words?
- B If you were a reporter for the town newspaper, what headline would you write to describe the events of this day?
- 6 This story is a clear example of the power of Encounter, Engage, and Empower. How do you hope your life will change as a result of this study? Which of these three words do you most want to focus on this week?