

1. (The story of) Living Water--John 4:1-42 (part of the what are we hungry for series. Several unusual circumstances converging here--tell story)
2. Why Did She Drink? (What happened here to convince her to redirect her life so abruptly; to suddenly become an evangelist; to believe in the Living Water? Crucial questions from the text)
  - a. She realized her thirst (she was open to Jesus; she realized she was a sinner. Now this may be obvious to us as we read the text but do we read ourselves in the text as well? That is the challenge bc most of us--our lives are not an obvious mess like this woman & perhaps we have not yet realized like she finally did that the water from the other wells we drink don't really quench our thirst)
  - b. Jesus penetrated her defenses--Hebrews 4:12 (from the get-go she knew something strange was up with this guy and she pushed back--but ultimately the words he spoke penetrated her heart like a two-edged sword. This usually happens if we allow ourselves to really come face-to-face with Jesus and honestly access his message)
  - c. The promise of the gospel (Jesus spoke to her about something bigger and beyond herself--worship not just in Samaria or Jerusalem but when all would join together in spirit and truth. If the gospel including no promise; no resurrection story which fuels the promise--no one would listen to it. Instead they would just stay shackled up in their current situation. But this lady knew something much more wonderful was in store by following Jesus--the Living Water!)
3. Fill Up on the Will of God--32-34 (The disciples returned with food, but Jesus was no longer hungry--that was how fulfilling doing the Father's will was)
  - a. Will change our total perspective (see the crowds differently; look beyond the seen to the unseen)
  - b. Will lead to amazing and wonderful consequences (maybe a revival just may break out)
4. John 4:13-14