"I Who Speak to You Am He."

Intro: This past Lord’s Day, as we entered into the study of the 4th chapter of John the Beloved’s Gospel, we came to this very important and intriguing text where in His meeting with the woman at the well, the _______ of Nazareth positively identified Himself as the _________.

A. What a gracious and ______________ we have! In our text we read that He set a divine appointment with a Samaritan woman and so He, the Christ, the Son of God, very God Himself sat there weary ____________ for her. He was not worried about being defiled by this unclean woman, but His concern was ___ ____________ ______ of her sin! And, this is a picture of how He has loved us!

I. In contrast to the water from Jacob’s well, Jesus told the woman that the ________________ He would give would become within the one who drank it a well of living water springing up to ______________ ______.

A. Though Christ was speaking to the woman about ________________ things, she understood Him in a ______________ sense.

1. As she understood it, the woman ______________ that living water.

II. In love, Jesus used her physical desire for water to begin to point her to her true ______________ ______.

A. Jesus began to show the woman _______ spiritual need by pointing out her ________.

1. The woman had lived an ______________ life and was currently living “___ ________.”

B. ______________ revealed the woman’s past to begin to ________ her eyes (give her _______________ ) as to who He was.

1. For her to say that He is a prophet is to recognize that He is one sent from God and here, this is good, for in so doing she that _____ ________ was as He said it was.

C. The woman, ___________ ______________ to her spiritual need, _____________ the Lord about the proper place of worship.

1. In saying “________ worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth,” Jesus is telling her that it is not the place of worship that matters, but the heart (spirit) of the worshiper. ______________ is not a matter of external performance as in fulfilling the letter of the Law, but a matter of the heart and mind - an ______________ matter where the _________ of the Law is fulfilled.
2. To worship in truth is to worship in the _______ of the _______ truth of God through Christ Jesus with (as Zodhiates defines it), a true _______ of the _________, with words and conduct following accordingly!

3. Jesus is telling the woman that in her present sinful condition she is _______ _________ to God. This poor woman doesn’t know the truth of Scripture, nor has she worshiped in spirit for she thought worship was a matter of a place and external exercises. She is lost in her sin!

D. In understanding what Jesus meant when He said that salvation was from the Jews and realizing her desperate sinful situation, she said that she knew that the _______ was coming and that, He would bring the truth of _________

1. She was not at all putting Jesus off, but she was saying, “I am _______ and _________, and I am looking for the One who can _____! The Messiah!”

III. Jesus revealed who He was to her saying, "I who speak to you am He." That is, “____ the _________, the One you look for, the One who will declare to you all things!"

Conclusion: Lowly, meek, and mild comes the _________ saying, "Come unto Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. "Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart; and you shall find _______ _______ your _________. "For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." (Matt. 11:28-30)

Dear friends, today is the day of salvation. Give this good thought: consider the truth you have heard today from God’s Holy Word, and consider your life in the light of this truth, and should you understand that you need a Savior, then _______ the Words of _________ as He declared of Himself that He is the Christ. John 3:17, "For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through Him.” John 1:12-13, “But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to _______ _________ of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”