

In Spirit and Truth

John 4:1-26

Jesus offers more than what meets the eye.
John 4:1-26; Exodus 3:13-14; John 4:37-39; Ephesians 5:18

God goes to great lengths looking for worshippers.

True worship is in spirit and truth.
John 4:22-24; Matthew 15:7-8

Considerations for the week

Jesus says the water He gives becomes a “spring of water welling up to eternal life.” What does this imagery suggest about the nature of salvation?

This story contrasts well water (drawn by human effort) and living water (given by God). Relate how this illuminates the distinctions between religion and grace.

The woman was probably excluded and taunted in her society due to her marital status. When Jesus also speaks of her history, she doesn’t take it as reproach. How does Jesus’ handling of her story function as invitation rather than as condemnation?

In telling the woman to get her husband, Jesus speaks prophetically but also pastorally. Explain how He is dealing with her in each of these areas.

How does Jesus’ teaching challenge both religious traditionalism and religious relativism?

Where in your life might Jesus be initiating conversation across boundaries that you assume to be fixed?

Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.



Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.
— John 4:23, NIV

Scripture read today during worship:

Psalm 103:11-12

Psalm 96:7-9

Prayer today

Members will be praying for us during the service today and also during the week. Please email us at prayer@rtbchurch.org to let us know how we may pray for you.

Today's order of service

Prelude, *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

Call to worship

Hymn 2, *Come Thou Fount*

Confession and assurance

Hymn, *Mighty to Save*

Hymn
Who Can Satisfy My Soul Like You?

Offertory
Reading and prayer
Special Music, *You Are There*

Message

Hymn of response 398, *Fill My Cup, Lord*

Benediction

Postlude, *This Is the Day*

Weekly events

Today after the service, Cookies & Coffee, in parlor

Young adults fellowship, Monday at 6:45pm. Dinner and discussion for those in college or starting careers.

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Friday, 9am – 2pm
pre-registration required

Wednesday

Kids' Music Class, 5-6 pm

Dinner, 5:30-6:30 pm. Wednesday night supper is temporarily on hold due to kitchen renovations.

Prayer, 6:30 pm in the parlor

BLAST! Children's Bible study and fun, 6:00 pm

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:45 pm

Joy Program, Thursday, 9am-noon, conversational English classes, Bible study, crafts, and handbells

Endurance men's Bible study, Thursday at 6pm
Focus: college-aged / young adult men

Young internationals Bible study, Saturday at 7 pm

Men's Bible study, every-other Saturday at 8 am
Meets this week, June 13

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

The church office has information on events.

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: office@rtbchurch.org

The office is open Tuesday - Friday, 9am-3pm

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VBS Our Vacation Bible School will be held here June 22-26.

Templegram Our weekly newsletter is provided to us by email, usually on Tuesday. If you'd like to receive it, please email us at office@rtbchurch.org.

Please be advised that our services are livestreamed to the internet. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.