

ONE // SPEAKING THE TRUTH

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John 4:16-42

LAST WEEK

1. We talked about trying to make our community look like Revelation 7:9. How did that go for you? What steps did you take?

INTRO

2. Tell a story about a time something embarrassing happened to you, but no one told you (i.e., food in your teeth, etc.).

WHAT DOES IT SAY?

3. Last week, Van mentioned the danger in letting the media disciple us rather than following Jesus. Before we can live out the truth, we need to know what truth is. If you're honest with yourself, where are you getting truth from—media or Jesus?
4. **Read James 1:19.** Being a bridge builder means that we're more concerned with unity than getting our own way. But unity also means understanding the experiences of others. How can you (or how have you) learned things from others' culture/experience that you wouldn't have known otherwise?
5. **Read Matthew 7:3-5.** Bridge builders also know their own biases and how they affect them. How are you letting Jesus examine your own life so you're in a place to be a bridge builder?
6. While these conversations can be challenging, they are always worth it. What are some of the things that keep us from learning from others, or from speaking out against what's not right? What is the benefit of learning and speaking out?

HOW CAN I OBEY?

7. **Read Acts 1:8.** The Church isn't a building we go to—we are the Church. For the Church to do what Jesus said, we have to be willing to go to "Samaria".

Where is "Samaria" for you? How can you be the Church in that area of your life?

