

COME AND SEE

SERMON STUDY - 8.31.2025

Leader Corner

John 4:27-42 (NIV)

Main Idea:

Sharing your faith doesn't require perfection—just a personal encounter with Jesus and a willingness to say, “Come and see.”

Main Passage:

John 4:27–42 (NIV) — The Samaritan woman becomes one of the first evangelists, inviting her entire town to meet Jesus after a life-changing encounter.

Main Practice:

Telling your faith story simply and authentically—even when it feels awkward or risky—can be a powerful act of obedience that God uses to transform lives.

Connect with Prayer & Praise

Liturgical Prayer:

A Prayer of Bold Witness

Lord Jesus,

You saw me when I was unseen,

You spoke when others turned away,

You offered life where shame held sway.

Give me the courage to share what You've done,

Not with polished words, but with open hands.

Teach me to say, “Come and see,”

Trusting You've already been at work.

May my story point to Your story,

For Your glory and for others' good.

Amen.

Worship Song Suggestion:

"God Really Loves Us" – by Crowder feat. Dante Bowe

(Great connection to the Samaritan woman's experience of being fully known and fully loved.)

with Principle

Read John 4:27–42 together as a group before diving into these questions:

1. What stands out to you about the Samaritan woman's reaction after her encounter with Jesus (v.28–30)?

What does it say about the impact of truly being seen and known by God?

2. What distractions (mentioned in the sermon) do you personally resonate with—debates, judgment, physical needs?

How do these keep us from sharing our faith or stepping into spiritual conversations?

3. "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did..." (v.29).

Why do you think that was the message she shared? What would your version of that sentence be?

4. Josh said the best evangelists are often those who've just encountered Jesus.

Why might that be the case? What holds seasoned Christians back from sharing more often?

5. Jesus tells the disciples to open their eyes and see the fields ready for harvest (v.35).

Where might God be inviting you to open your eyes—at work, in your family, neighborhood, or online?

6. How would you describe your "but then God" story in one or two sentences?

Practice saying it out loud with a partner.

with Practice

Practice: Write & Share Your "Come and See" Story

This week, challenge group members to:

1. Write a short, 3-part version of their faith story:

-*Before*: What was life like before Jesus?

-*Encounter*: How did you meet Jesus or have a transformative experience?

-*After*: How has life changed?

2. End with an invitation:

"Come and see what Jesus has done in my life."

3. Share it:

-First with someone in the group

-Then prayerfully look for an opportunity to share it with someone outside the group this week

Encourage journaling and prayer throughout the week. You could even have a few members share back next time about how it went.