

# Christ's Longing for Fellowship

by David Wilkerson

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*Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's Well illustrates his longing for fellowship and his desire to have quality time with us.*

**Scripture:** Psalm 27:8, Matthew 28:19-20, John 4:7-34, James 4:8, Revelation 3:20

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## Description

David Wilkerson emphasizes Christ's deep longing for fellowship as illustrated in His encounter with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's Well. Through their conversation, Jesus reveals His identity as the Messiah and demonstrates that true fulfillment comes from doing God's will rather than physical sustenance. The disciples are surprised by this interaction, highlighting the importance of spiritual nourishment and the work of witnessing to others. Wilkerson encourages believers to seek quality time with Jesus, assuring that He desires to communicate with those who come to Him with honest and seeking hearts. Ultimately, the sermon calls for a deeper communion with Christ in our daily lives.

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## Transcript

As Jesus made his way toward Galilee, he came to Jacob's Well in Samaria where he stopped to rest from his journey. When his disciples went to buy food, a Samaritan woman came to the well to draw water and Jesus made a simple request of her: "Give Me a drink" (John 4:7).

Christ's words to this woman began a long conversation and during their talk, she was amazed at the things he told her. Finally, she said, "'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When He comes, He will tell us all things.' Jesus said to her, 'I who speak to you am He'" (John 4:25-26).

The disciples returned and they were amazed to find the Master so deeply engrossed in conversation with this Samaritan. They set about preparing the meal and when the food was ready, the woman hurried back to town. They said to Jesus, "Rabbi, eat" (4:31), and Jesus responded with this puzzling statement: "I have food to eat of which you do not know" (4:32).

Jesus was telling them that he had been fed with food not of this world and he was completely full. He explained, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work" (4:34). Likewise, we are to be about God's kingdom work of witnessing, testifying and winning souls. Jesus accomplished this work with the Samaritan woman, as the Bible says she believed he was the Messiah. She said to her friends, "Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" (4:29).

Christ's need for fellowship was being fulfilled as he talked with this woman. Jesus said, "All I asked for was a drink of water but she brought me an honest, seeking heart. This kind of communion is food to me."

Jesus wants to have quality time with you daily. Each time you wait on him, he promises to speak to you, so wait in his presence until you hear his voice unfolding his heart to you.

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