John's Gospel—20 July 2, 2017 AM

THE WOMAN AT THE WELL: CONVERSION (John 4:27-42)

- I. Jesus' CONTROL of the CIRCUMSTANCES (John 4:27)
 - A. The disciples ARRIVED at just the right MOMENT
 - B. The disciples were AMAZED by Jesus' conversing with a WOMAN
 - C. The disciples REFRAINED from INTERUPTING
- II. Jesus' CONVERSION of the WOMAN (John 4:28-30)
 - A. She LEFT her WATERPOT
 - B. She urged the men of the city to "COME see a MAN..."
 - 1. She ADMITTED her GUILT
 - 2. She asked them to INVESTIGATE if He's the CHRIST
 - C. The men "WERE COMING" to Him
- III. Jesus' COMMUNION with the FATHER (John 4:31-34)
 - A. The disciples URGED Jesus to EAT
 - B. Jesus told them He had OTHER FOOD
 - 1. No one ELSE had BROUGHT Him food
 - 2. He was SATISFIED by doing the WILL and accomplishing the WORK of "Him who SENT ME"
- IV. Jesus' COMMISSIONING of the DISCIPLES (John 4:35-38)
 - A. You say, "There are YET FOUR MONTHS till HARVEST"

- 1. If the HARVEST is four months off, there is no URGENCY
- 2. CROPS are harvested on a PREDICTABLE SCHEDULE
- B. But I say, "LOOK at the fields; they are WHITE for HARVEST"
- C. The REAPER is already WORKING
- D. ONE sows, ANOTHER reaps and BOTH REJOICE
 - 1. The "crop" is the regenerated SOULS of new BELIEVERS
 - 2. Sowing and reaping is NOT A COMPETITION
 - 3. Sowing and reaping are both CONSTANT ACTIVITIES
- V. Jesus' CONVERSION of the SAMARITANS (John 4:39-42)
 - A. Many BELIEVED "because of the word of the WOMAN who testified"
 - B. They kept asking Jesus to STAY WITH THEM
 - C. Many MORE believed "because of HIS WORD"
 - D. They confessed, "THIS ONE is indeed the SAVIOR of the WORLD"