# 20/20 (Part 2) WE SEE GROWTH: ONE LIFE AT A TIME JOHN 4:27-41

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27 Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her?" 28 Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, 29 "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" 30 They came out of the town and made their way toward him. 31 Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something." 32 But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about." 33 Then his disciples said to each other, "Could someone have brought him food?" 34 "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. 35 Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. 36 Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. 37 Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. 38 I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor." 39 Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did."

#### OPEN

- I. What must a farmer do in order to enjoy an abundant harvest?
- 2. When have you ever been so consumed with a task that you forgot to eat?

#### EXPLORE

- 3. How did the disciples respond when they saw Jesus talking to the Samaritan woman? (4:27)
- 4. What did the Samaritan woman do after she had spoken to Jesus? (4:28)
- 5. What did the Samaritan woman tell the townspeople? (4:29)
- 6. What did Jesus say was His food? (4:34)
- 7. What did Jesus say about the fields? (4:35) What is the field? What is the harvest?
- 8. What kind of crop did Jesus say "the reaper" was harvesting? (4:36)
- 9. What did Jesus send the disciples to do? (4:38)

#### CHALLENGE

- 10. How would you describe today the fields Jesus described to His disciples?
- II. What role can you play in the reaping and harvesting of lives for Christ?
- 12. What obstacle will you ask God to remove so you can help bring someone to Christ?
- 13. In what way can you be involved in reaping and harvesting for God's kingdom today?

## **OUR VISION FOR 2020**

A follow up to Who's your One? Series. In this first foresight, we discovered that God wants us to see growth in numbers both in quantity and quality. The calling of God to His church is still and will always be: To make disciples of all nations. In John 4, Jesus says, "...wake up and look around. The fields are already ripe for harvest…" That is both a promise and a reality! The harvest is plentiful, but workers are needed. The biggest hindrance to the growth of the church can be the church itself. Disciples are mandated to pray for more workers to be sent out in the harvest fields; but we are also encouraged in that scripture to be the answer to that prayer. In that story, the Samaritan woman brought revival to her village—she became a harvest worker in the field, so should we! Revival happens one life at a time. **Vision Engagement:** Each of us to continue who's your one as a culture and way of life!

Goals for 2020: Increase worship regular attendance to 400 weekly (300 Lakeland and 100 Downtown).

Evangelism: 150 people pray to receive Christ

Baptism: 100

Take time to pray for these goals and discover practical ways through which you can contribute to the fulfillment of this vision.

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