

EVERYTHING HAPPENS SOMEWHERE

Samaria



Discussion

This was the area of the ten northern tribes during the divided kingdom. They were called Israel. After the Babylonian captivity, the inhabitants of this area were called Samaritans. In modern times the area has been referred to as Sabastiyeh.

What did you learn about the history of this area we call Samaria?

Read John 4:3-1. What is meant in the text that Jesus “had to go (travel) through Samaria”? How did the word “dierchomai” (to pass through) help your understanding?

Jesus sits on the well at Sychar. Why is the time of day important? What do you think Jesus’ purpose is in asking for a drink of water?

Explain the significance of the reference to “living water”? See John 4:10-15; John 7:38; and Revelation 21:6

George points to the number of significant relationships in the Samaritan woman’s life. What does that number imply? What is her response to Jesus?

Applying His Truth

What is the woman at the well moved to do following her encounter with Jesus?

How does Jesus model “compassionate love” for us? Does that provide guidance for your life?

What insight did you gain from this lesson for your walk with Christ?