Loving People With A Past

Learning to Love Like Jesus

John 4:1-26
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Look Past Your Prejudices And Expectations To The Spiritual Need

• Jesus Knew EVERYONE Needed Him As Savior and Lord
  > Moral, Religious, Jewish Man
  > Immoral, Confused, Samaritan Woman

• Our Expectations are Often Wrong and Misleading

  Step 1: See People...Not Their Past
Set Aside Your Social Awkwardness and Simply Accept People Where They Are

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- Lifestyle

Step 2: Accept People Wherever They Are
Three Possible Roads!
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Focus On Central Spiritual Issues
Not Some Side Issue

• Side Issues She Offers
  ~Social Issues ~Physical Issues
  ~Personal Issues ~Lifestyle Issues
  ~Religious Issues

• Jesus Keeps His Focus On Spiritual Matters
  ~Who I am
  ~What I Have To Offer
  ~How You Can Get It

Step 3: Focus On Jesus, Not The Past
Point The Way To Forgiveness And The Future

- Believe In Me
- Worship In Spirit
- Worship In Truth
- I Am The Messiah

Step 4: Let People Know They Need Jesus!
Forgiveness And The Future Are Ours For The Asking!

- 1 John 1:9  “If we confess our sin…”
- Psa 103:12  “As far as the East from the West…”
- 1 John 5:13  “That you might KNOW you have eternal life…”

Come Pray