



Walking With the Savior

Through An Eyewitness Account of John

John, one of the sons of Zebedee, stood as an eyewitness to the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. He began his journey as a fisherman, leaving behind his nets and the future he had planned for himself to follow a teacher, a prophet, and a miracle worker. At the outset, John did not fully understand who Jesus was or what lay ahead. In faith, he aligned himself with Jesus, drawn by His words and deeds.

As John walked alongside Jesus, witnessing His teachings and miracles, he gradually realized that Jesus was far more than a prophet or a remarkable teacher. John came to understand that Jesus was God in the flesh. This revelation was not just a turning point for John personally, but a moment of eternal significance. By choosing to follow Jesus, John's future was forever changed, and his decision would go on to impact the world—not only in his own time but throughout every generation to come. **Let's embark on an inspiring journey with John as we walk alongside Jesus.**

Background Matters

The little revival among **the Samaritans** is notable because the theme of natural rejection by Israel had been sounded (1:11) as well as the note of a wider ministry (3:16; cf. Acts 1:8). The **testimony** of the woman, though, from one point of view was unnecessary (“not that I accept human testimony,” John 5:34); yet it was effective. That Jesus knows what is in a person and that He has comprehensive knowledge of one's life is an indication of His deity (Ps. 139; John 1:47–49; 2:24–25).

4:40–41. The witness of the woman led to the Samaritans' personal confrontation with Jesus. **He stayed** with them **two days**. The word “stayed” (from *menō*, “to remain, to abide”) is a favorite Johannine theological term (cf. 3:36; 6:56; 15:4; *Because of His words many more became believers*).



“Words” is singular in Greek (“His word”). His message was the cause of their faith. Personal testimony plus the message of Jesus is still God’s means of salvation.

4:42. Faith based simply on the testimony of another is only secondary. True faith moves to its own experience and confrontation with Jesus. **We have heard for ourselves** is the more adequate basis. Jesus is **the Savior of the world**, not in the sense that everyone will be saved (universalism) but that His light shines for all (1:9). The light is not limited to the nation Israel, but is for “every nation, tribe, people, and language” (Rev. 7:9).

This week in “Walking With the Savior” *In our previous analysis, we concluded with the account of the Samaritan woman’s encounter with Jesus, after which she returned to her community to share her experience. She concluded her testimony by raising a pivotal question regarding the presence of the Savior among the Samaritans. The affirmation of this possibility has the potential to lay the groundwork for renewed spiritual engagement within the community. This subsequently led to a revival in the house.*

Study Guide 12

This study guide presents daily assignments that are specifically crafted to enhance your growth in the Word. Embrace each moment to meditate and reflect, and watch as your spiritual maturity flourishes through your dedicated efforts.

Revival In The House

Many Samaritans Believe

John 4:39–42

Topics:

Beliefs, Believe, Convictions, Evangelism, Evidence, Faith, Jesus Christ, Knowledge, Salvation, Witnessing

Open It, Mondays. Open your heart and mind to the truth of the Word.



1. *What are some things that we have believed based on someone else's testimony?

Explore It, Tuesdays, keep the rhythm of personal study moving.

2. *What impact did the Samaritan woman's testimony have on the townspeople? (4:39)

3. What did the woman tell the Samaritan people Jesus told her? (4:39)

4. What did the Samaritans urge Jesus to do? (4:40)

5. What did Jesus do in response to the Samaritan's request? (4:40)

6. *What did Jesus rely on to convince more people to believe in Him? (4:41)

7. What impact did Jesus' words have on the Samaritan people? (4:41)

8. Why did the Samaritan people originally believe in Jesus? (4:42)

9. What new basis did the Samaritans have for their belief in Jesus? (4:42)



Push on Wednesday, keep the rhythm of personal study moving.

10. What difference did hearing Jesus for themselves make to the Samaritans? (4:42)

11. *What did the Samaritan people believe about Jesus? (4:42)

12. What impact does your testimony have on other people?

13. *What impact have other people's testimonies had on your life?

14. Who do most people think Jesus is and what is the basis for their belief?

15. Who do you think Jesus is? Why?

16. *What led you to believe in Jesus?

17. What people were influential in leading you to believe in Jesus?

Get It Thursdays, keep the rhythm of personal study moving.



18. How has believing in Jesus changed your life?

19. Whom can you tell about Jesus? When?

20. *In what ways could you be a better testimony for Jesus today?

Drive it Home, Fridays, keep the rhythm of personal study moving.

21. What can you do to help clear up other people's misconceptions about who Jesus is?

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