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## CONVERSATIONS

### PART III: CONVERSATIONS ALONG THE WAY

**John 4:3-9 (NLT).** *So he [Jesus] left Judea and went back once more to Galilee. Now he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)*

**REMEMBER:** It's in the simplicity of our daily lives, in intentional conversations along the way, where God unfolds His master plan of salvation.

**2 Corinthians 5:17-19 (NLT).** *This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.*

### **REACHING OUT TO THOSE AROUND ME:**

#### 1. [GO].

**1 Corinthians 9:19-20 (NLT).** *Even though I am a free man with no master, I have become a slave to all people to bring many to Christ. When I was with the Jews, I lived like a Jew to bring the Jews to Christ. When I was with those who follow the Jewish law, I too lived under that law. Even though I am not subject to the law, I did this so I could bring to Christ those who are under the law.*

## 2. [ENTER] THEIR WORLD .

**1 Corinthians 9:21-22 (NLT).** *When I am with the Gentiles who do not follow the Jewish law, I too live apart from that law so I can bring them to Christ. But I do not ignore the law of God; I obey the law of Christ. When I am with those who are weak, I share their weakness, for I want to bring the weak to Christ. Yes, I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some.*

**Matthew 5:13-16 (MSG).** *“Let me tell you why you are here. You’re here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You’ve lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage. “Here’s another way to put it. You’re here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We’re going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don’t think I’m going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I’m putting you on a light stand. Now that I’ve put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you’ll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven.*

## 3. TELL THEM ABOUT [JESUS].

**1 Corinthians 9:23 (NLT).** *I do everything to spread the Good News and share in its blessings.*

**2 Timothy 4:2 (NIV).** *Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.*

**1 Peter 3:15 (NIV).** *Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.*



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