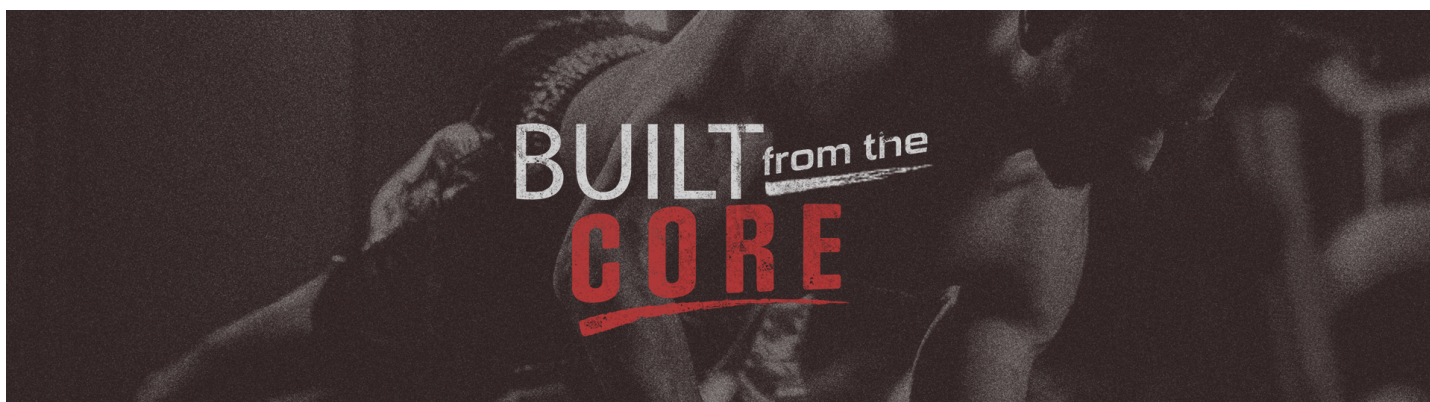




Built from the Core // Part 4

Introduction:

This week Chance continues a new series called '**Built From The Core**' with the message for **Week 4: Come and See**. Do you know what the Core of Grace Community Church is, why it's important and why it matters?

As we continue to look at our Core Beliefs, the third is '**Relational Evangelism**'. Would you agree that people don't care about what you know until they know how much you care? At Grace, we are going to let you know we care about you by building a platform to get to know you and show you we care so that we can share the ultimate Good News with you!

Questions:

1. Why is the intentional path Jesus took to this town important? As we look at the story of the woman at the well, why is this location important in the history of the Jews and Samaritans? Why is the time of day important? What do we know about Jesus from the text? Why is His humanity important to this relationship?
John 4:4-8
2. Why was it shocking that Jesus spoke to the woman? What was wrong with what He asked her? How does she react and respond to Jesus, do you and I respond to Jesus this same way? What was the gift that God has for this woman? **John 4:9-10**
3. What did she miss in this conversation so far? Why did Chance say that the woman is stuck in the 'right here, right now'? Why does she think the water in this

well is better than anything Jesus could offer her? What is she holding onto? Is she saying 'who do you think you are'? Do you find yourself ever saying this to Jesus? **John 4:11-12**

4. What makes the water that Jesus promises her something that she would absolutely want and need? How important is the description of the water 'bubbling from within'? How does His response redirect this conversation with her? **John 4:13-14**
5. Why does the woman ask Jesus to give her the water He described? Why didn't she want to come back to this well every day? Why did Jesus pivot to asking her about her husband? How does His new question and the truth He shared provide her with spiritual proof of who Jesus is? How is this declaring who He is? **John 4:15-18**
6. Why does she ask Him a deep theological question that Jews and Samaritans struggle to answer? After Jesus clarifies for her the truth regarding true worship, why does she mention the Messiah? How simple was Jesus' reply to her? How is this who she has been looking for? What can you learn for your own life and situations from this exchange **John 4:19-26**
7. Is it shocking that she left her water jar to run back to share what happened with the people of the village, how surprising was their response? How did the disciples react to this sequence of events? How did this encounter display relational evangelism? If Jesus chose her, why couldn't He choose you? Who in your life should you be sharing your faith in Jesus with? **John 4:27-30; 39**

Key takeaway: *Is the idea of evangelism scary to you? What if one conversation could change someone's eternity? Jesus' encounter with a Samaritan woman demonstrates that the Gospel spreads best through genuine relationships. Maybe Jesus wants to do the same strategically through you? The most loving thing you can do is to know people's stories and share how Jesus has changed yours. What's holding you back?*

Summary:

- The Gospel spreads best through genuine relationships
- Jesus & a Samaritan woman at Jacob's well, He was alone, tired & thirsty
- The woman pushes back on Jesus talking with her, He offers her water
- She questions how and if He thinks He is greater than Jacob
- Jesus clarifies that He's offering water from within
- The woman wants the water to avoid the work & embarrassment, then Jesus challenges the woman with the truth of her life
- Jesus tells her that He is the Messiah she is looking for
- The disciples are confused but the woman is convinced & goes & tells
- The woman's testimony was convincing and many believed