



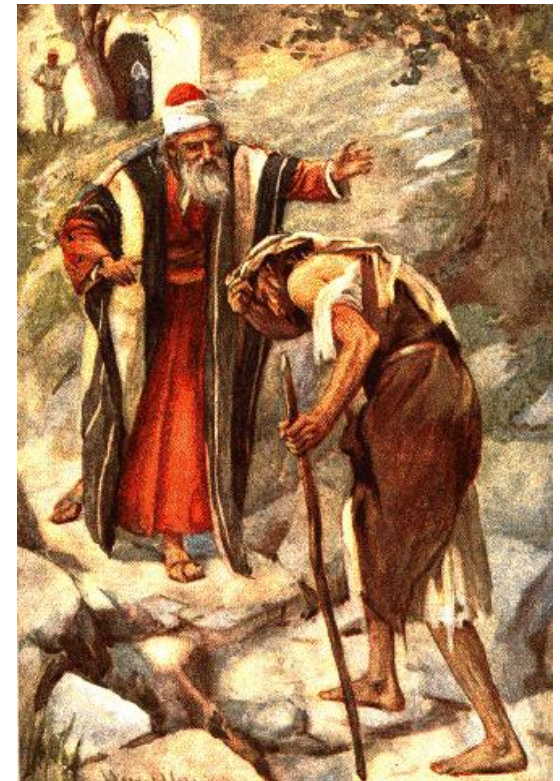
“But He needed to go through Samaria.” – John 4:4

Lord, do You love me?

Fourth Week of Holy Great Fast

1. He humbly comes to us

- “Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.” (Jn. 4:6)
- Calling someone a Samaritan was considered a curse
 - Then the Jews answered and said to Him, “Do we not say rightly that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?” (Jn. 8:48)



2. He presents Himself as the One in need

- A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give Me a drink.” (Jn. 4:7)
- “Let me see your face, Let me hear your voice; For your voice is sweet, And your face is lovely.” (SS 2:14)
- “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.” (Jn. 4:34)



3. He wants to sit with us alone

- Spiritual retreat is necessary
- Choose a time that is unpopular with other
 - “Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed.” (Mk. 1:35)
 - “My voice You shall hear in the morning, O Lord; In the morning I will direct it to You, And I will look up.” (Ps. 5:3)
- Do not leave your spiritual life to the circumstances of life.



4. He deals with everyone kindly and respectfully

- How would you address the Samaritan woman?
- The Samaritan calls Him a Prophet
 - He knew her sinful situation
 - Loved her anyway



5. He offers us His gifts

- “Give Me a drink.” (Jn. 4:7)
- The Samaritan was focused on earthly things, but He was offering heavenly things.
- “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.” (Matt. 6:33)
- “But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.” (Jn. 4:14)

6. Urges us to repent

- How is urging us to repent a sign of love?
- “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.”
(Lk. 10:18)



7. Reveals to us His mysteries

- Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am He.” (Jn. 4:26)

