

“How to start a Spiritual Conversation”- John 4:7-26

Know how to start off a conversation about our faith.

I. How to knock on the door of people’s life:

A. Build trust – ask for help.

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1. Asking for help is a way to empower others to trust us

B. Create Interest - Offering something they do not have:

John 4:10 *Jesus answered and said to her, ‘If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.’ 11 She said to Him, ‘Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? 12 “You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?”*

1. When the woman was curious about a Jew speaking to her,
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II. Explain how only Jesus Christ can satisfy the thirst in our life:

John 4:13 *Jesus answered and said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.” 15 The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty nor come all the way here to draw.”*

A. Jesus is the living water – Drink it and you will never thirst.

1. It was a living flowing relationship with God - **John 7:38–**

B. Jesus is also the bread of life – Eat it and you will live forever.

III. Observe where people are thirsting:

John 4:16 *He said to her, “Go, call your husband and come here.” 17 The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You have correctly said, ‘I have no husband’; 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly.”*

A. The Samaritan woman thirsted in her relationships.

1. She thirsted for a fulfilling relationship.
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IV. Address any obstacles to the gospel: How to worship God.

John 4:20 *“Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you people say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.” 21 Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ... 23 “But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers.”*

V. Find common ground: The Messiah is coming to save.

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VI. Let the Truth work in their heart without being pushy -

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John 4:28 *So the woman left her waterpot, and went into the city and said to the men, 29 “Come, see a man who told me all the things that I have done; this is not the Christ, is it?” 30 They went out of the city, and were coming to Him... 39 From that city many of the Samaritans believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, “He told me all the things that I have done.”*

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