

Why We Do What We Do

JOHN 4:1-43 (P. 738)

Week 7

new traditions on 3E :: Southside began long before March 25th
information meetings, knocking on doors, passing hot chocolate, previews...

We do what we do because it's what J e s u s would do!

why another church, why so much in marketing, why drum sets, why effort?
some statistics on Lafayette :: BUT :: The real answer is Jesus

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.

Luke 19:10

Today we are going deeper.

Jesus went out of his way...

John 4:1-5:

this was a major political, cultural, and religious gap

John 4:6-9:

another religious gap and a gender gap... AND A HOLINESS GAP

ILL: Nancy Mockros goes to the bars.

1. What are the "gaps" in your life?
2. Who crossed a gap for you?

**Jesus offered a challenging
message of hope...**

John 4:9-26

HOPE: She can have living water.

CHALLENGE: But it only comes from him.

CHALLENGE: Though victimized, she is living in sin.

HOPE: Jesus still loves her.

HOPE: Anyone can have a relationship with God.

CHALLENGE: She is ignorant about how.

HOPE & CHALLENGE: This man is the Messiah.

Hope isn't hope until it encounters a challenge.

1. Which hope do you need? Are you up to the challenge?
2. Do you know anyone else who needs hope like this?

The city was changed!

John 4:28-43

Her Excitement & Her willingness to go out of her way.

ILL: Roxanne and Kyle Spainhoward

She's the original RUDOLPH... Then all the people loved her.

Lives are changed when courageous people
speak a message of challenging hope.

Lafayette is filled with people who have been...

BURNED BY RELIGION AND

VICTIMIZED BY LOVED ONES

I Believe they are hungry for hope.