

Rockford Reformed Church
Sermon Series - "Time For Change" #10
John 4:1-26 - "True Worshipers"
3/10/19 – Pastor Tim Meendering

Questions for family/small group discussions:

Three keys for becoming true worshipers:

1. _____.

- a. In verses 11 and 15, we can see how the woman is focused on physical thirst and needs while Jesus is pointing her to a much deeper thirst or need. What are some ways that you or we often settle into a rut where we focus on the external and physical rather than thirsting for what will really satisfy our deepest needs?

- b. We saw that one of the most common ways that Jesus uncovers our desperate need is by examining our relationships with others. What do your relationships, over the last few weeks or months, reveal about your need? How would you describe the love that Jesus reveals toward this woman and how does it contrast with what you see in your own heart and life?

2. _____.

- a. In verses 10 and 14, Jesus reveals himself as the living water that wells up to eternal life. What is so amazing and different about the water that Jesus offers?

- b. We were created with a natural thirst or desire for love, joy and pleasure. What does sin do for these desires? Why do we constantly and gladly drink the poison substitutes for these desires? What are the most common substitutes that you turn to for these desires and what were the results?

- c. What are some questions to ask yourself or ways to examine your heart and life that might reveal what substitutes that you are looking to instead of the water that Jesus provides?

3. _____.

- a. Read John 4:10, 7:37, and Rev. 22:17. What often keeps us from simply accepting the invitations here? How do we drink the water that Jesus offers?

- b. What are some key evidences that you are drinking deeply and being satisfied by Jesus alone? What is essential for becoming a true worshiper? What has Jesus done to make it possible for you to drink deeply and be satisfied in him?