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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

16-219-22 COMMITMENT AND THIRST

:00–4:15 Maintaining the freshness of commitment.

4:15 John 4:1-9 Teaching on the background context of the story about Jesus' conversation with the woman at the well in Sychar of Samaria. The Jews and the Samaritans were hateful toward one another. Interesting that in Luke 10:25-37 Jesus makes a Samaritan the hero of a parable.

16:00 John 4:10-15 Teaching. In addition to the discussion on the "Living Water" Jesus perceived a deeper condition in the woman. Reference John 2:25 Jesus knew what was in a person. He knew her deeper need.

21:05 Psalm 42:1-2 The metaphor of thirst is used throughout scripture to describe both a need and a yearning for the living God to be ingested into life. Unlike the woman at the well, the Psalmist was aware of his real need. Reference Psalm 63:1 Do we understand ourselves well enough to see that most of our inner dis-ease is from thirst.

25:20 Ecclesiastes 2:1-3 "I wanted to see what was worthwhile for men to do under heaven during the few days of their lives." So here is what I did:

Ecclesiastes 2:4-9 The description of a man living his life as a "Thingdom". It was all vanity and meaningless.

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Ecclesiastes 2:10 Life as a "Flingdom". Creating manacles of slavery upon self.

31:20 John 4:13-14 The water that Jesus gives. What is it? Water which is springing up.

31:50 John 7:37-39 Jesus says that if any are thirsty they should come to him. Reference Matthew 11:28 "I will refresh you" Give you rest. Jesus makes the claim that he is able to satisfy the deepest hunger of the human heart. Reference John 6:50-58 Jesus says he is the true food of real life.

John 7:37 Let him come to me and drink. To receive into yourself.

John 7:38 Drinking and believing results in a river of living water flowing forth.

40:40 John 7:39 The water of life is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the Lord God. What we need is to initiate a daily response to the Lord God. To ingest him every day, every moment so he can overflow from us. The overflowing life provides the freshness we need. Keep current with God. Reference 1 Corinthians 12:13. All Christians have the Holy Spirit, but not all have the overflowing life. Water that remains and does not overflow becomes stale.

Is the Lord current in our life. Terry tells his congregation that if they witness he doesn't want them to go back more than 24 hours to find the places where God is overflowing from them.

46:05 Bitterness and resentment are two things which will stop the flow of the Spirit. Another blockage comes from

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ingratitude to God – not being current in our thanksgiving. Another blockage comes from failing to worship the Lord in the true sense of obedience and response. Attending a service, hearing a sermon, receiving the Eucharist, is not worship in itself.

The Spirit of God within released to flow out from us to accomplish the purpose of God through us.

Lord help me to be a clear and open channel for you.

John 4:1 The Pharisees heard that Jesus was gaining and baptizing more disciples than John, 2 although in fact it was not Jesus who baptized, but his disciples. 3 When the Lord learned of this, he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee.

John 4:4 Now he had to go through Samaria. 5 So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

John 4:7 When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" 8 (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

John 4:9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

John 4:10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

John 4:11 "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? 12 Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his flocks and herds?"

John 4:13 Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

John 4:15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."

Luke 10:25 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Luke 10:26 “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

Luke 10:27 He answered: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

Luke 10:28 “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

Luke 10:29 But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

Luke 10:30 In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 32 So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

Luke 10:36 “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

Luke 10:37 The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

John 2:25 He did not need man’s testimony about man, for he knew what was in a man.

Psa. 42:1 As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, O God.

2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When can I go and meet with God?

Psa. 63:1 O God, you are my God,
earnestly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you,
my body longs for you,
in a dry and weary land
where there is no water.

Eccl. 2:1 I thought in my heart, “Come now, I will test you with pleasure to find out what is good.” But that also proved to be meaningless. 2 “Laughter,” I said, “is foolish. And what does pleasure accomplish?” 3 I tried cheering myself with wine, and embracing folly—my mind still guiding me with wisdom. I wanted to see what was worthwhile for men to do under heaven during the few days of their lives.

Eccl. 2:4 I undertook great projects: I built houses for myself and planted vineyards. 5 I made gardens and parks and planted all kinds of fruit trees in them. 6 I made reservoirs to water groves of flourishing trees. 7 I bought male and female slaves and had other slaves who were born in my house. I also owned more herds and flocks than anyone in Jerusalem before me. 8 I amassed silver and gold for myself, and the treasure of kings and provinces. I acquired men and women singers, and a harem as well—the delights of the heart of man. 9 I became greater by far than anyone in Jerusalem before me. In all this my wisdom stayed with me.

Eccl. 2:10 I denied myself nothing my eyes desired;
I refused my heart no pleasure.

My heart took delight in all my work,
and this was the reward for all my labor.

Eccl. 2:11 Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done
and what I had toiled to achieve,
everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind;

nothing was gained under the sun.

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John 7:37 On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. 38 Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.” 39 By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

Matt. 11:28 “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

John 6:50 But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which a man may eat and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”

John 6:52 Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?”

John 6:53 Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. 55 For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. 56 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him. 57 Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your forefathers ate manna and died, but he who feeds on this bread will live forever.”

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1Cor. 12:13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.