


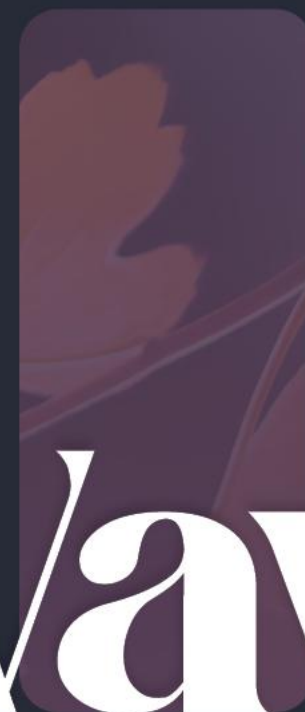
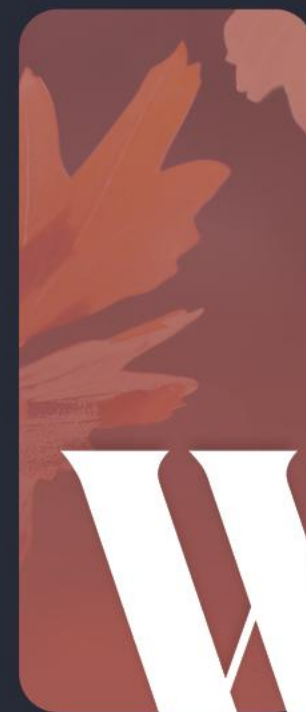
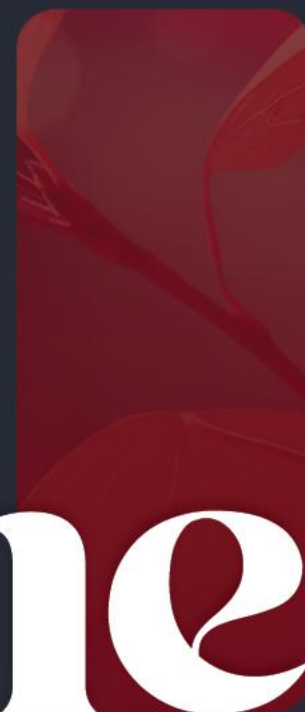
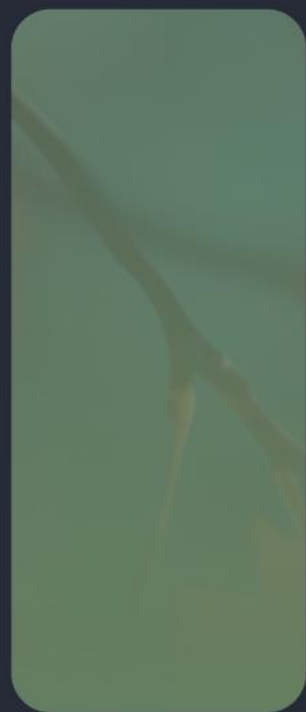
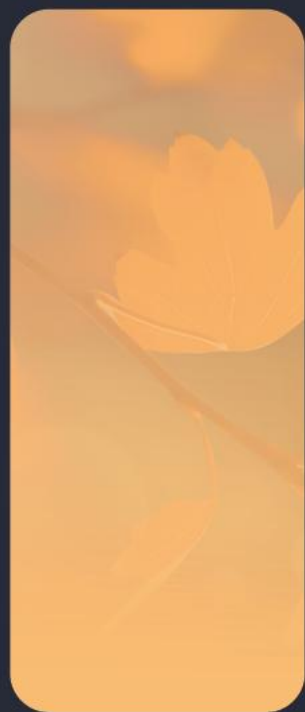
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# Turn with us to John 4:1-8



Phone? *Please silence.*  
Social media? *Post away!*

# John 4:1-8

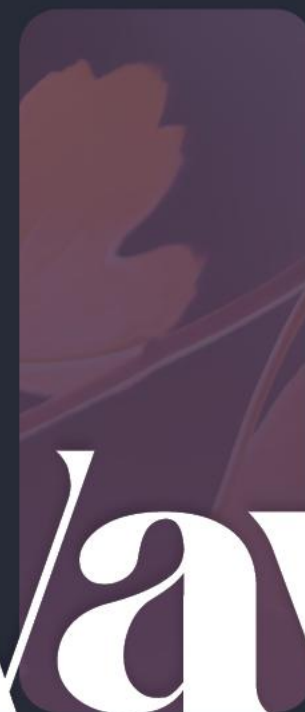
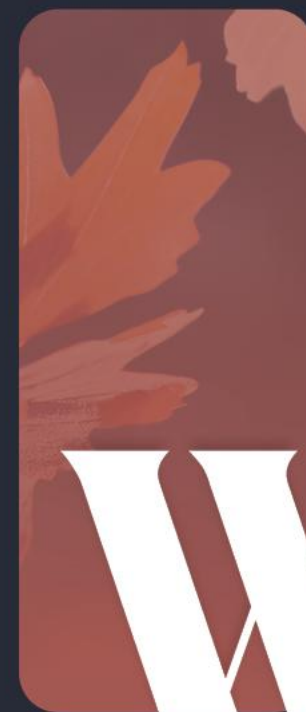
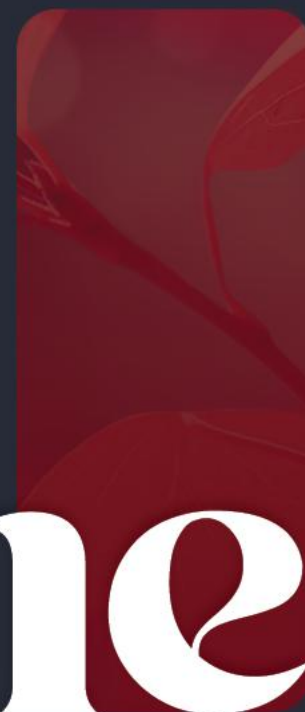
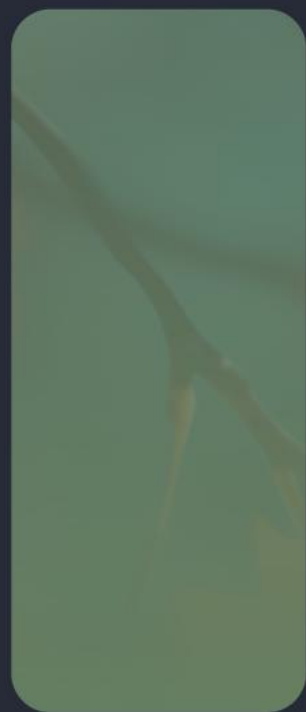
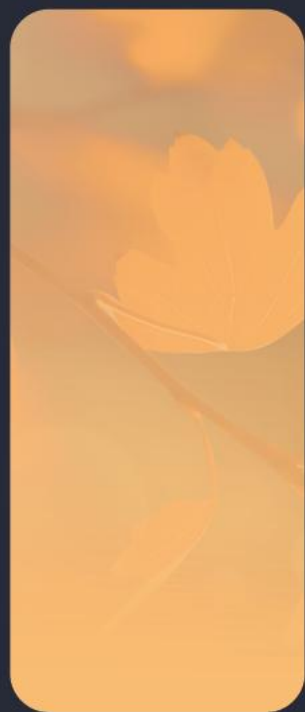
<sup>1</sup> Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John <sup>2</sup> (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), <sup>3</sup> he left Judea and departed again for Galilee.

# John 4:1-8

- 4 And he had to pass through Samaria.
- 5 So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.

# John 4:1-8

<sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. <sup>7</sup> A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."  
<sup>8</sup> (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.)



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**Love like Jesus.**



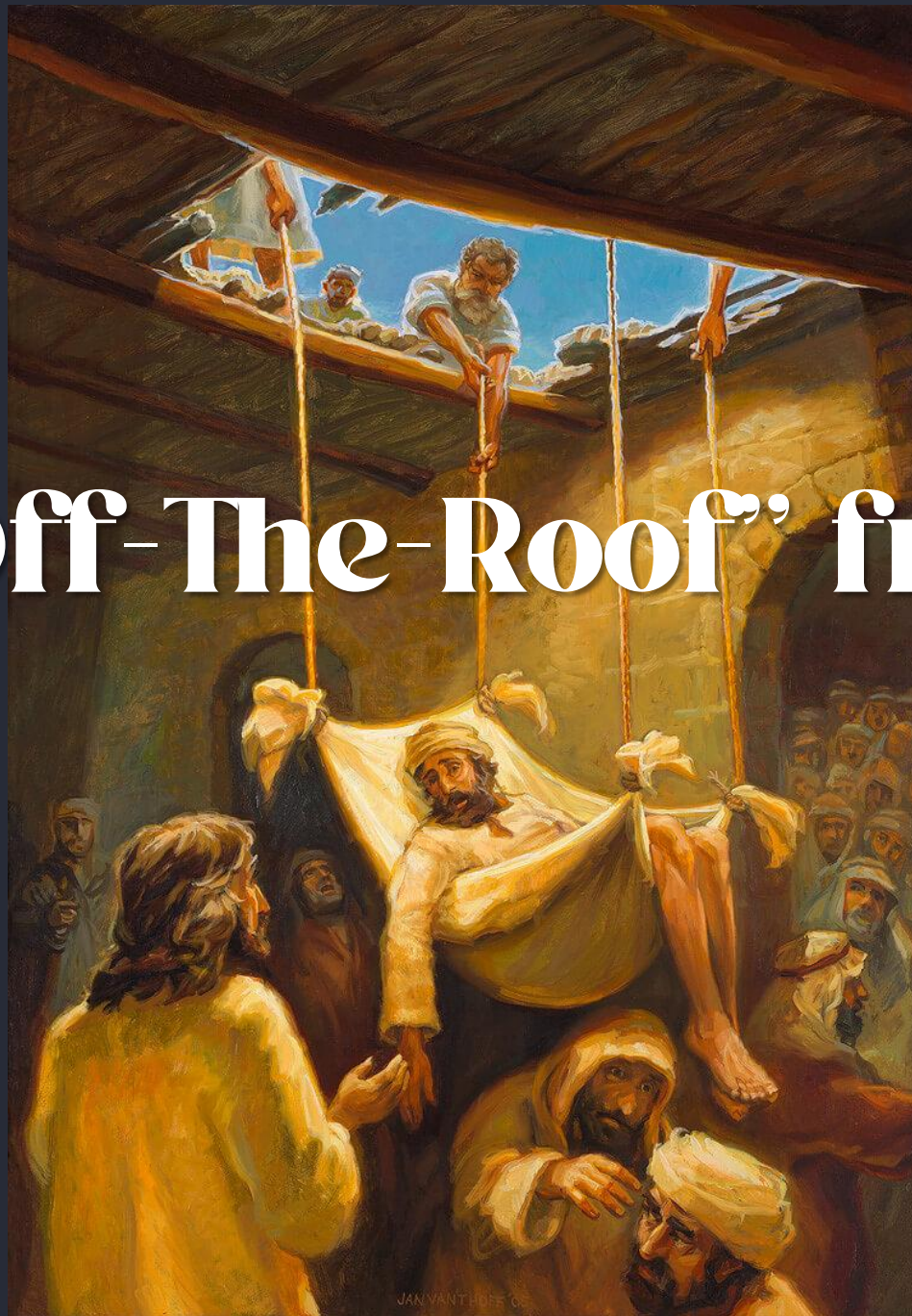
# Matthew 28:20

“...teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

**To truly love like Jesus loved,  
we must desire, develop,  
and deploy a heart  
for discipleship.**

**Discipleship is leading  
people to a place where  
they know Jesus, love Jesus,  
and follow Jesus.**

# “Rip-Off-The-Roof” friends



# Mark 2:5

When Jesus saw their faith,  
he said to the paralyzed man,  
“**Son, your sins are forgiven.**”

# Mark 2:11

“Stand up, pick up your mat,  
and go home!”

**Incomplete discipleship  
will leave saved people  
laying on mats in places where  
Jesus has moved on from.**

# Matthew 9:38

“therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

**Pray that God raises up  
workers with a  
heart of discipleship.**

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It is not loving  
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but also not loving to not  
**speak truth in love.**

# Love (Disciple) Like Jesus

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- 4 SPEAK TRUTH.
- 5 Trust the Holy Spirit.

**God's influence through us,  
by the Holy Spirit, is what will  
lead people to enlightenment.**

The people we are discipling  
don't owe us **ANYTHING.**

# John 4:39-42

**39** Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did."

**40** So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days.

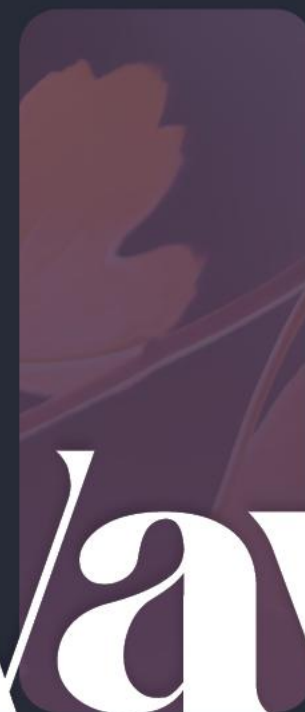
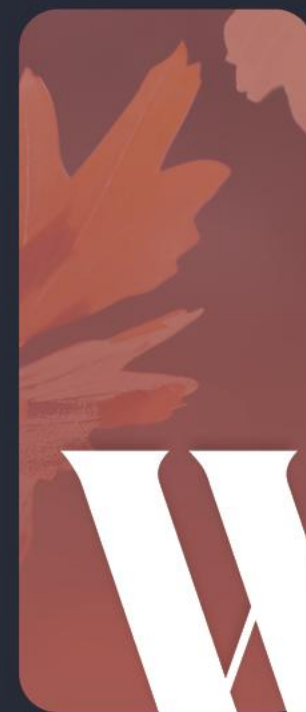
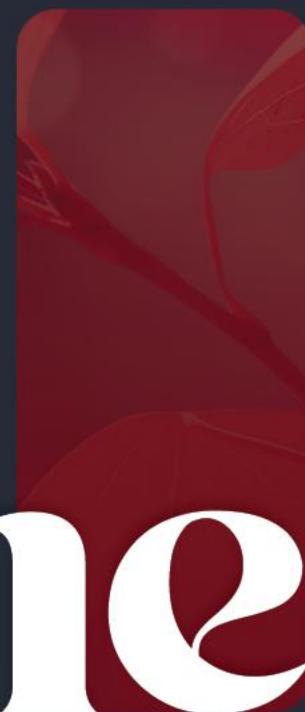
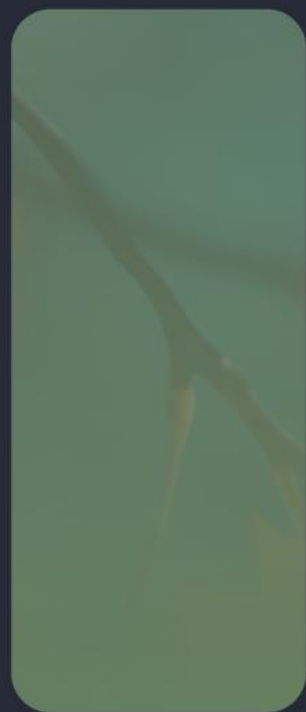
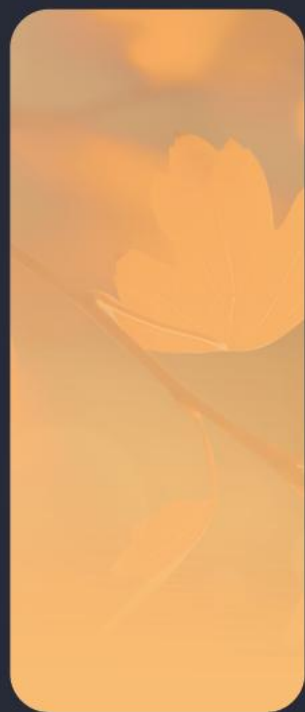
# John 4:39-42

**41** And many more believed because of his word. **42** They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

**When we love (disciple)  
like Jesus,  
KINGDOM MULTIPLICATION  
can happen!**

# Discipleship Please





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