

# LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER August 9, 2020 // Lee Allen Jenkins, Guest Speaker

We hope you enjoyed the special message from Pastor Lee Allen Jenkins. Pastor Lee is the Founder of Eagles Nest Church and a former NFL player with a 25-year career on Wall Street and a best-selling author and national speaker.

#### **SUMMARY:**

The intermarriage between the Assyrians and the Jews resulted in a mixed race known as the Samaritans. Many Jews hated this mixed race and did everything they could to avoid traveling through Samaria. But Jesus had no reason to live by such cultural restrictions.

#### 1. ENGAGE EACH OTHER SOCIALLY

READ JOHN 4:3-9 - We cannot change what we will not confront. What is the significance of Jesus speaking to the woman at the well? Do you think her response was out of fear or boldness? Discuss.

#### 2. START WITH WHAT YOU HAVE IN COMMON

READ JOHN 4:10-15 - What do they have in common? What is Jesus offering her (13 & 14)?

#### 3. PLACE CHRIST ABOVE CULTURE

READ JOHN 4:19-23, 25-26 - There cannot be a stronger commitment to tradition than to God's truth. The woman spoke of a popular theological issue—the place to worship. Jesus directed her to a much more important point: the location of worship is not as important as the attitude of the worshippers. What kind of worshippers does the Father seek?

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Who can you reach out to this week to build a new cross-racial relationship?
- 2. Describe some ways you can start a conversation based on what you agree on instead of what you disagree on.
- 3. Is there a tradition that has become stronger than God's truth?

**CHALLENGE**. Pastor Lee challenges us by suggesting, "Maybe we have a divided America because we don't have a unified church." This week spend time asking God to show you how you can be a part of the solution.

**COMMIT TO MEMORY – "**Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks." John 4:23

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES – see page 2.

## RESOURCES FOR UNDERSTANDING RACIAL RECONCILIATION IN AMERICA

### Books:

- Divided By Faith, Emerson and Smith
- The New Jim Crow, Michelle Alexander
- The Color of Compromise, Jemar Tisby
- White Fragility, Robin DiAngelo
- Stamped From the Beginning, Ibram Kendi
- White Awake, Daniel Hill
- Be The Bridge, Latasha Morrison
- 16 Bridge-Building Tips For White People

## **CPC Online Resources/Sermons:**

- A Night to Listen, with Rev. Earl Smith and Pastor Tyler Scott
- The Third Option: Hope for a Racially Divided Nation, with Pastor Miles McPherson
- What Matters Most (week 1 & 2), with Pastor Tyler Scott
- Let's Get to Know Each Other, with Pastor Lee Allen Jenkins
- Racism and Corporate Evil: A White Guy's Perspective, Tim Keller