

Lesson 6 Jesus - The Ministering Heart (John 4:1-5:9)

“Thirsty hearts are those whose longings have been awakened by the touch of God within them.”

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JESUS THE MINISTERING HEART John 4:1-8

A. A ministering heart is a **tired** heart.

1. Ministry can be **exhausting**.
2. Ministry for the Lord is a **privilege**.

“It is a blessing to be tired in the service of the Lord Jesus.”

Mrs. Ean Thomas

B. A ministering heart goes beyond **human barriers**.

1. Humans have a **propensity** to build **walls**.
2. What were the **barriers** in Jesus' **day**?
 - a. Man-made **prejudices**
 - b. **Gender** barriers

C. A ministering heart **sees** God's **sovereignty**.

THE MESSAGE OF JESUS' MINISTERING HEART John 4:9-19

A. What was the **need**?

B. What was the ingredient of **satisfaction**?

1. God's **way**
2. Man's **way**
 - a. **Companionship**
 - b. **Materialism**
 - c. **Achievement**
 - d. People **pleasing**
 - e. The “**when**” syndrome

C. How is the satisfaction completed God's way?

1. Permanent **quenching**
2. Increase in **capacity**

D. What is the character of satisfaction?

“We are to be fountains through which Jesus can flow as ‘rivers of living water’ in blessing to everyone.”

Oswald Chambers

JESUS MINISTERING THROUGH HEALING John 5:1-6

A. What was the **need**?

B. What was the **question**?

1. Do we want healing of our **bodies** and **emotions**?

2. Do we want healing of our **souls**?

3. Do we want healing of our **hearts**?

C. What are the three steps?

1. First, **decide** whether you truly **want** to be healed.

2. Second, **realize** that you **cannot** heal yourself.

3. Third, place your **need** on the Great Healer – **faith** is required.