

Before

After



A well in a forest with the text "What Happened at the Well?" overlaid. The well is made of stone and has a wooden bucket hanging from a pulley system. The background is a lush, green forest with a large tree on the left and a body of water in the distance.

What Happened at the Well?

Our Purpose is....
to give glory to God
by meeting people where they are
sharing Jesus with them in a meaningful way
AND
and encouraging them to live
in a growing relationship
with Him



Encourage

Give support, confidence, or hope that they will do or continue to do something

Support: Bear all or part of the weight of; hold up

Confidence: The feeling or belief that one can rely on someone or something

Hope: Grounds for believing that something good may happen



What do we want to Encourage?

Idea is simple we want to create living,
and growing followers of Christ

What's a follower?

A person who moves or travels behind
someone or something
(Someone = Jesus)

Relationship



Encouraging Followers

(John 4:39-42)



To Encourage them tell them...

We must Testify

How many times have to heard this?

**Remember the testimony was one
of the ingredients of the "Good Church"**

Encouraging followers begins with creating followers

**Followers always begins
with your testimony**



How Do We Testify.....

It's not complicated

Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" They came out of the town and made their way toward him.



She left behind the water jar
She came to the well for one reason,
to get water

It was a physical need for her

That need did not seem very
important anymore

She is gone, but the jar just sits
here, unfilled



Her Purpose

**** Changed ****



**She went from avoiding
people to chasing them**

She was here at the well avoiding people

Her goal was simple get the water, go home

**But now she is out there
banging on doors,
calling the very people
she once avoided**



She Embrace Her Past

She was avoiding her past

**Even when Jesus told her to get her husband
she tried to skirt the subject**

She had no interest in discussing her life

**She just wanted that past to
be just that, the past**

Now she is using her past



She Invited People to Come

**Not only is she interested in finding
people she has a simple invitation**

Come and see the man

Such a simple invitation

**Because they were curious
about her they came**



To Encourage them we must grow them ... We must teach them

So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. And because of his words many more became believers. They said to the woman, “We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.”



Teach Them

They came and met Jesus

They listened to him

They begged him to stay so
they could hear more

As they listened their
perspective ****changed****



Teach Them

**They stopped relying on
the women's testimony**

The began focus on Jesus

They became certain who Jesus is



**Do You want to
Bring Glory to God?**

