

Politically Incorrect

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Introduction

1. John 4:1-4
2. Our problem is that the church is dying
 - a. 5% decline each year for the past several decades
 - b. What about the church here, what will we do
 - c. What are we doing about growing the church
 - d. We have what we need: remedy and resources
 - e. We lack the know how so we need to learn from the Master
3. Our lesson today is a play on words
 - a. Meaning – to avoiding language or behavior that could offend a particular group of people
 - b. Matthew 23:33 Jesus was politically incorrect
4. We need to change the status quo
5. We need to learn to use the Sword of the Spirit Ephesians 6:17
6. In our text (John 4) we find politically incorrect for many reasons
 - a. This chapter violates religious, racial, social, culture, moral and national norms
 - b. This is a pattern for us on how to effectively reach the lost, which is our mission Matthew 28:18-29; Mark 16:15-16; 2 Timothy 2:2
7. Let us learn from our text on how to reach the loss

II Discussion

1. Jesus did not let culture close the door to souls John 4:1-4
 - a. We need to be like Jesus Luke 19:10
 - b. This is our whole work Ephesians 4:1; 1 Peter 2:21
 - c. Nothing should deter or distract us from this mission
2. Look at the word “must” John 4:4
 - a. Meaning – it is necessary Luke 2:49; 19:5
 - b. This was a problem because of Samaria
 - i. These people were leftover group of individuals from the North kingdom taken into captivity in 722BC

- ii. When the people were taken captive Assyria sent other captivities from other lands into the area of Samaria
 - iii. This intermarriages caused a problem with the “pure” Jews and became known as the Samaritians.
 - iv. The “pure” Jews did not like the Samaritians and held them in disdain
 - c. The Jews would make every effort to route their trips around this land
 - d. This was Jesus being political incorrect by going through Samaria
 - e. Prejudice is a problem we all need to overcome.
 - f. The Gospel is for all Genesis 12:3; Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16
3. Jesus is wearied John 4:6
- a. Meaning – to be beaten down Matthew 11:28-20; Revelation 2:3
 - b. Most of the great things done in the world are done by tired people Galatians 6:9
 - c. There is a time to work and a time to rest Hebrews 4:11
 - d. Effective evangelism is not a job but a mission and a work
 - e. We got to work when we are tired and complete our mission
 - f. If we carry out our orders to evangelize even when discouraged John 9:4
4. Jesus needed water John 4:7
- a. This shows the human side of Jesus
 - b. This was politically incorrect at that time for a man to talk to a woman without chaperones
 - c. He is starting a relationship Proverbs 18:24
 - d. Friendship and conversation are essential for successful evangelism
5. Jesus chose to talk about serious matters when no one was around John 4:8
- a. Salvation is personal
 - b. All have sinned yet we don’t want everyone to know about our sin Romans 3:
 - c. Aquila and Priscilla took Apollos unto them Acts 18:26
 - d. Public sin needs public rebuking
 - e. Soul winning is for private study
 - f. Start with relationship then private conversation about their soul

III Conclusion

1. There is more to this lesson for another time
2. We know that Jesus was political incorrect, but He was doing what He was sent to do
3. We need to be following and doing what He sent us to do
4. Will you obey today, Now is the time

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