

## “QUITE THE PARADOX”

### JOHN 4:27-42

*Appearances can be deceiving. Who among us has not “judged a book by its cover?” We must be careful of interjecting our viewpoint too soon into the discussion, especially when it pertains to someone’s life. You don’t want to get that wrong.*

### TWO SURPRISING RESPONSES TO CHRIST

① Con \_\_\_\_\_.

She unpacks quite a volume in this brief testimony.

1. She issues an \_\_\_\_\_ to come and see Christ.
2. She exposes her \_\_\_\_\_ as she recounts His penetrating gaze.
3. She challenges their \_\_\_\_\_ as she opens the door.

She’s not responsible for the \_\_\_\_\_ to this message but she is responsible for the impartation of this message.

Unlike this woman, none of us have \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus. But like this woman, we have \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus.

Imagine what God could do through one person wholly committed to Him. Imagine that person is you.

Though salvation is of the \_\_\_\_\_, the Savior Himself reaches out to this non-\_\_\_\_\_ with the living water and she then reaches out to her people.

② Con \_\_\_\_\_.

The disciples bring food to the temporal table whereas Jesus directs them to the food on the eternal table. They’re seeking His \_\_\_\_\_ comfort; He’s seeking His Father. They mean well; He means best.

This strangely parallels the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus by Satan!

The surrounding whitened fields are not the stalks but the \_\_\_\_\_ – the approaching \_\_\_\_\_.

### CONCLUSION

Consider these two takeaways:

1. Never discount what God can do through one individual – regardless of social status or gender or age or occupation. \_\_\_\_\_ is never too small an army when the Commander-in-Chief is the Lord.
2. Be alert to the hindrance you might actually be in the process. Whether through neglect or distraction, are you having regular \_\_\_\_\_ conversations?