



# **“Jesus and the Samaritan Woman”**

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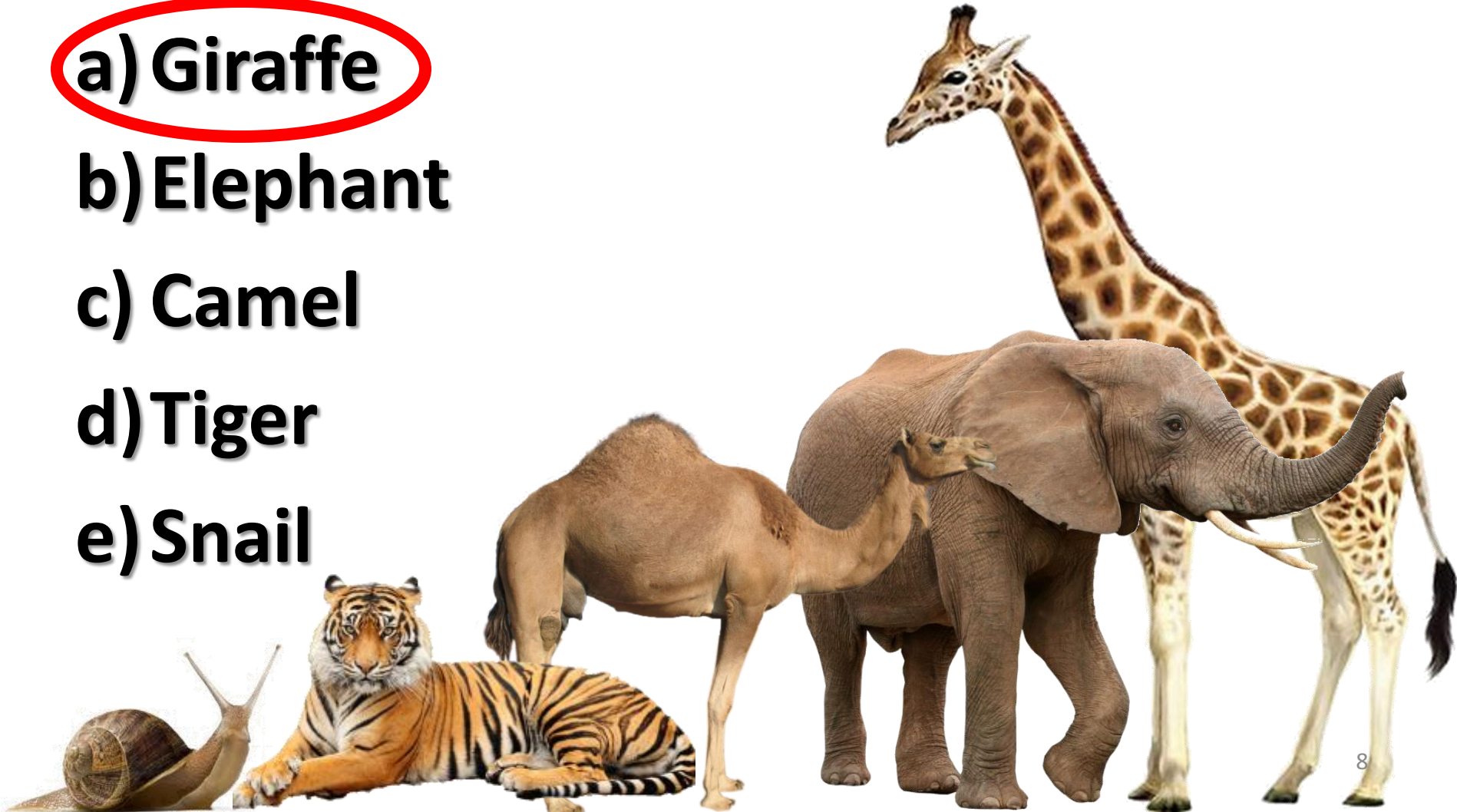
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Answer ??





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Jesus & the Samaritan Woman

John 4:1-42



## John 4:1-3

***<sup>1</sup> The Pharisees heard that Jesus was gaining and baptizing more disciples than John,***

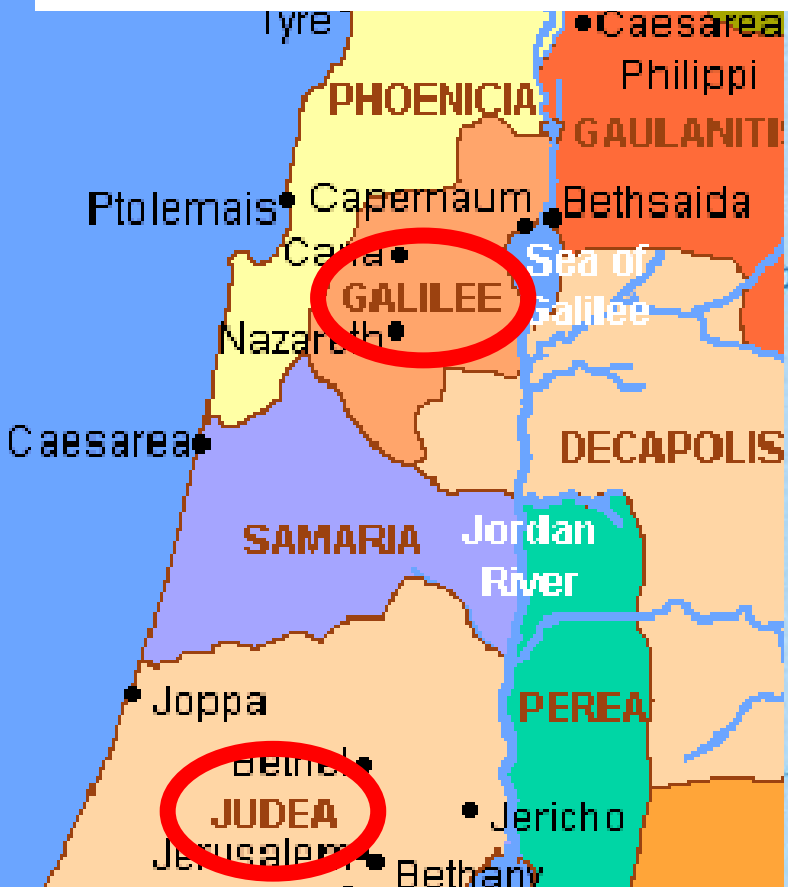
***<sup>2</sup> although in fact it was not Jesus who baptized, but his disciples.***

***<sup>3</sup> When the Lord learned of this, he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee.***





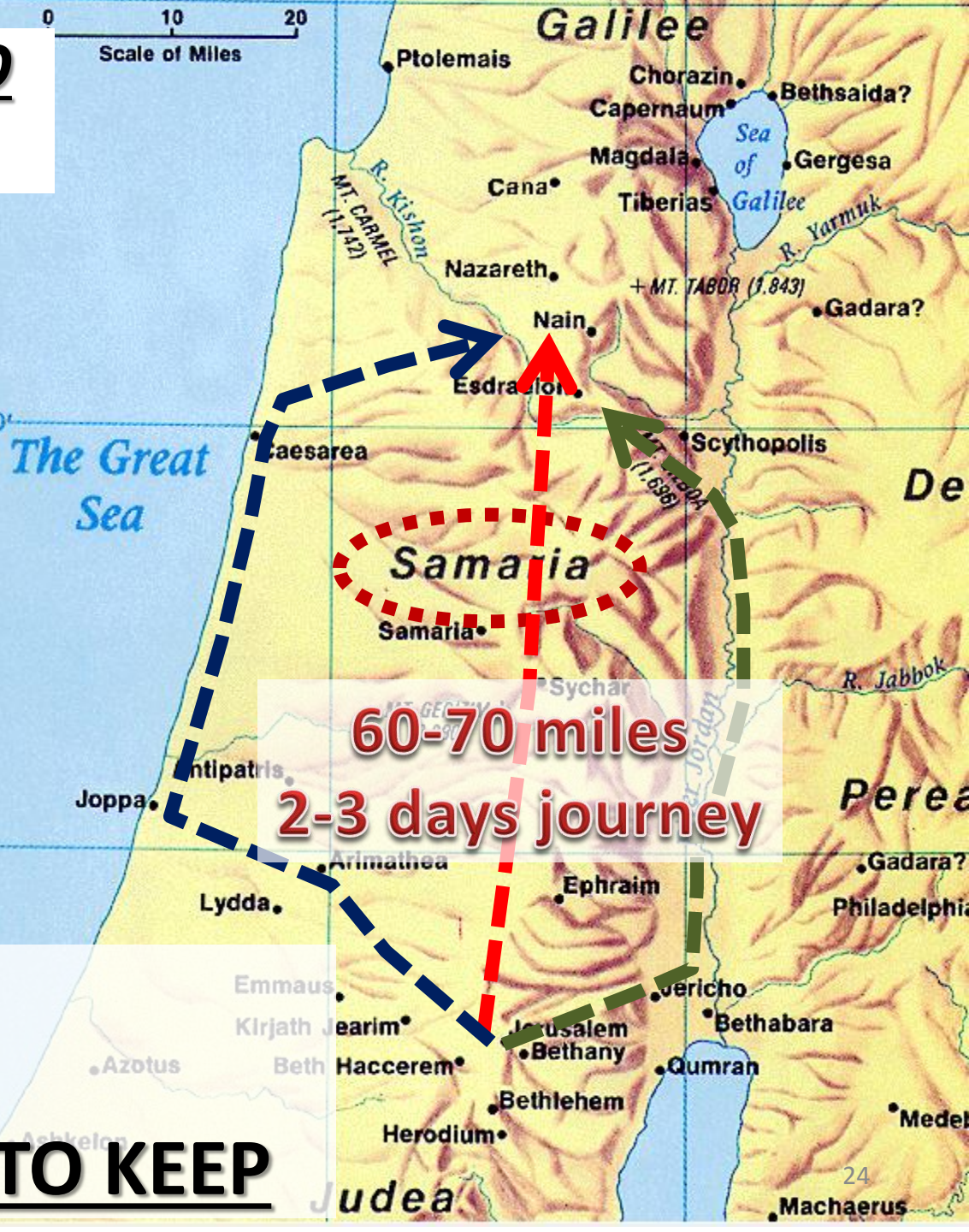
**In 4:4 Now HE HAD TO  
go through Samaria.**



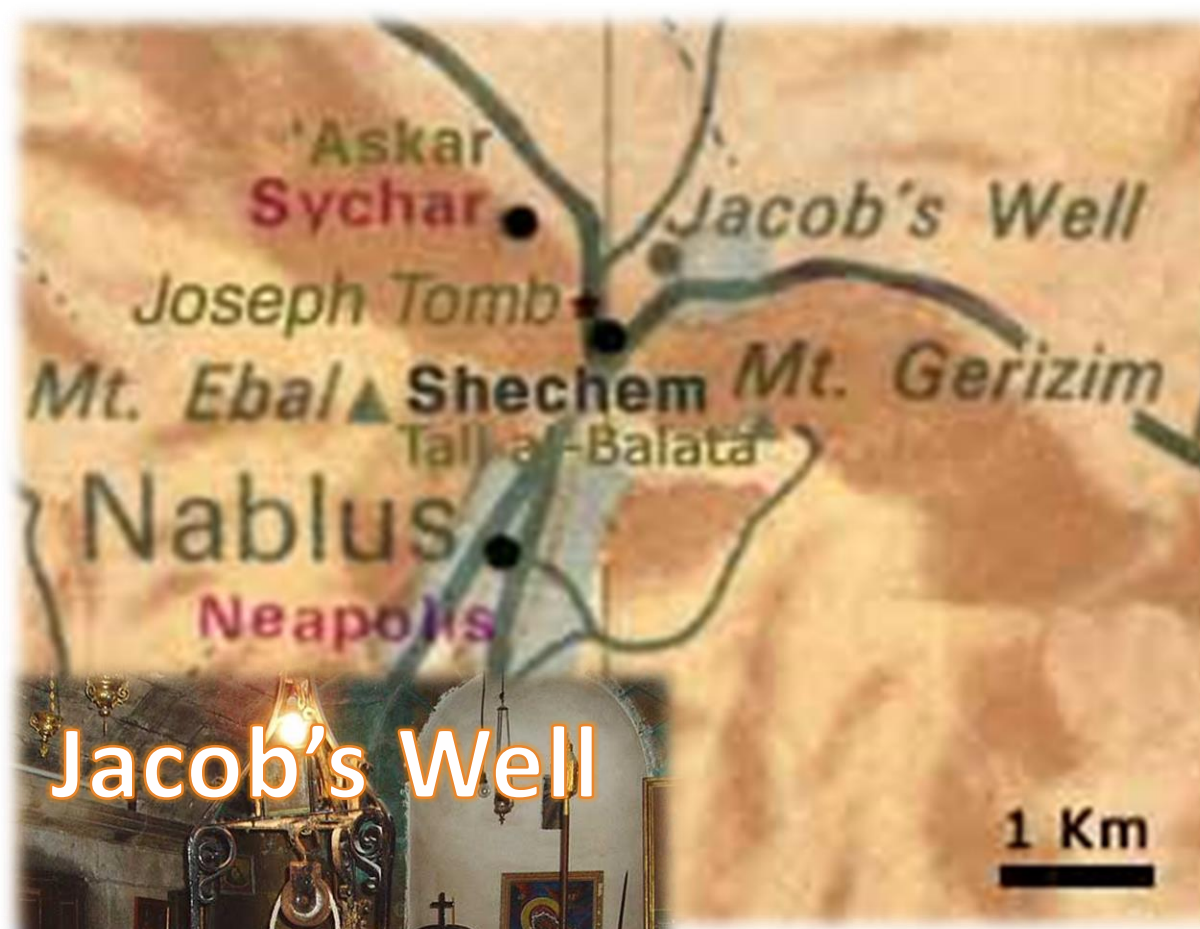
**WHY ?**

**Because He had an ....**

**1. APPOINTMENT TO KEEP**







**Jn 4:5-6**

***<sup>5</sup> So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph.***

***<sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour.***

**Jacob's Well**





**Jn 4:7-9**

***7 When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?"***

***8 (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)***

***9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)***

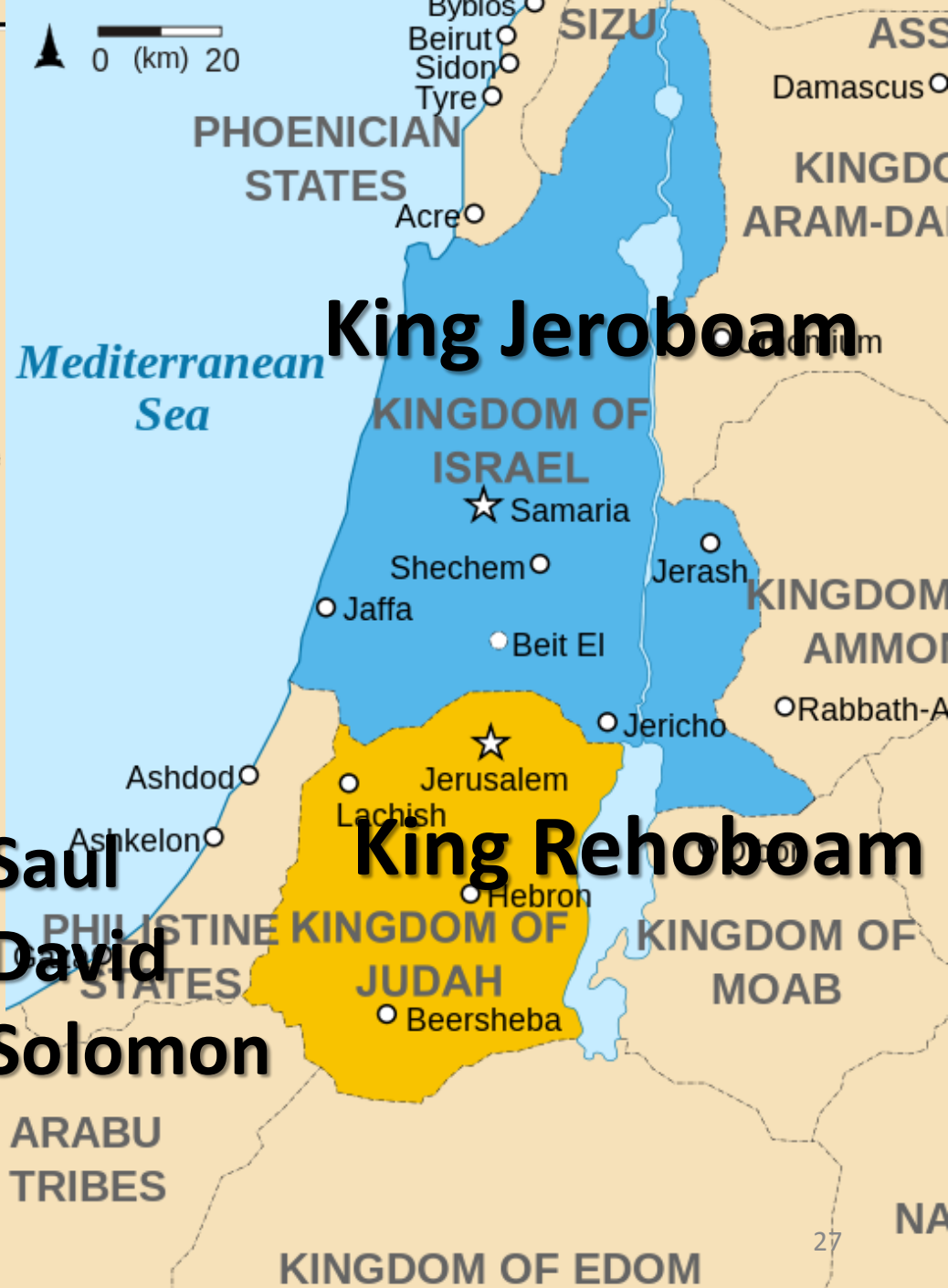
**Q: What was the problem betwn Jews & Samaritans ?**



**THE UNITED KINGDOM OF ISRAEL**  
 Around the time of SAUL AND DAVID  
*EDOM* Vassals and defeated peoples



- 1<sup>st</sup> King of Israel : King Saul**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> King of Israel : King David**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> King of Israel : King Solomon**
- 4<sup>th</sup> King of Israel : ??**



**King Jeroboam**

**King Rehoboam**





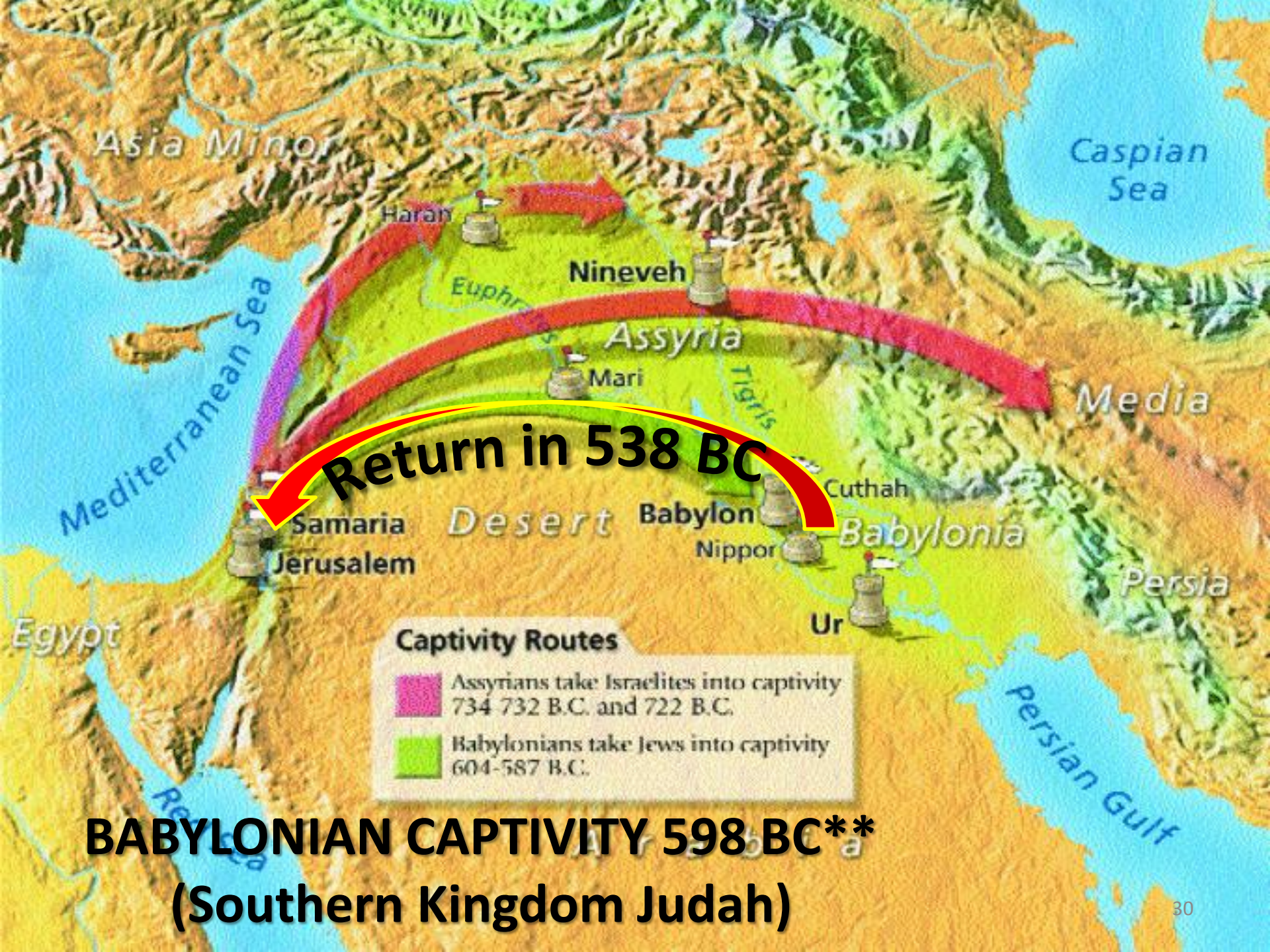
***2 Kings 17:6 In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria captured Samaria and deported the Israelites to Assyria. He settled them in Halah, in Gozan on the Habor River and in the towns of the Medes.***





***2 Kings 17:24 The king of Assyria brought people from Babylon, Cuthah, Avva, Hamath and Sepharvaim and settled them in the towns of Samaria to replace the Israelites. They took over Samaria and lived in its towns.***





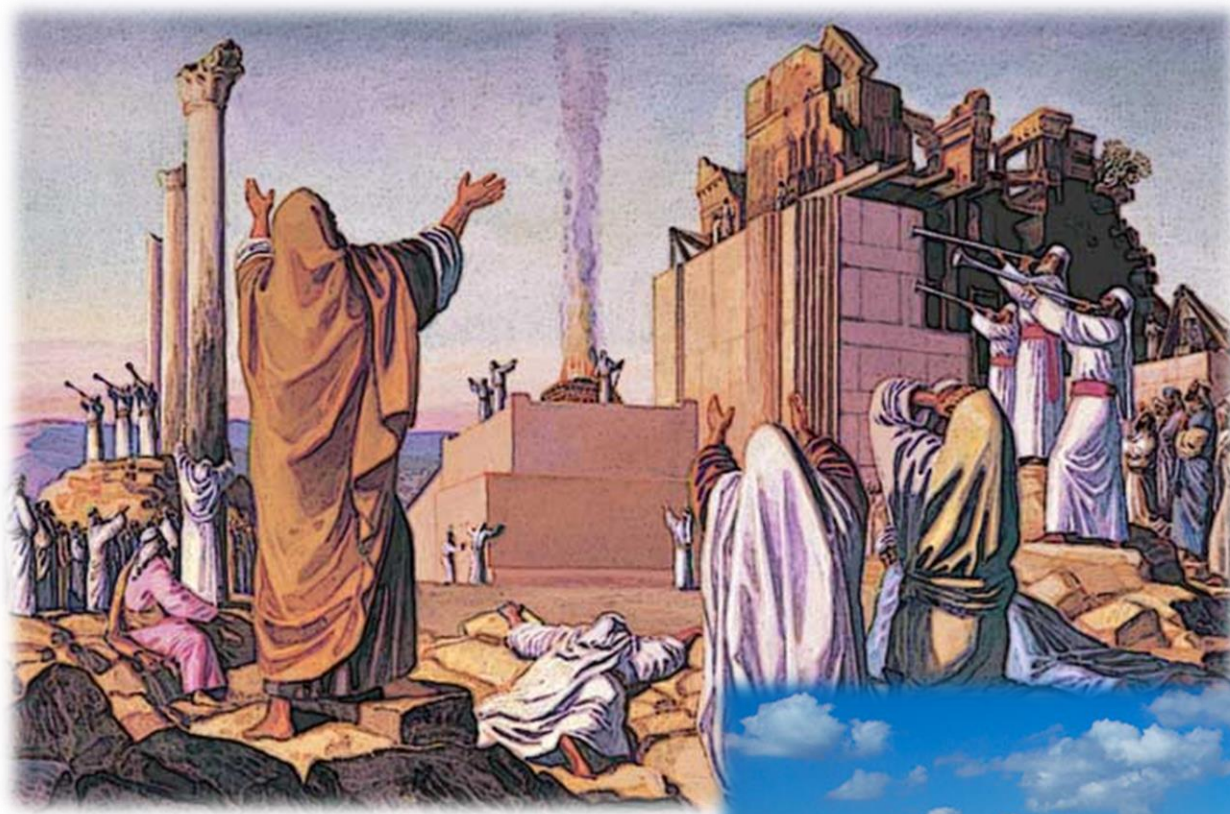
**Return in 538 BC**

**Captivity Routes**

- Assyrians take Israelites into captivity 734-732 B.C. and 722 B.C.
- Babylonians take Jews into captivity 604-587 B.C.

**BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY 598 BC\*\***  
**(Southern Kingdom Judah)**





# Rebuilding the Jerusalem Temple under Ezra 'Samaritan' offer of help **REJECTED**

## Mount Gerizim Temple

- Built - 432 BC
- Destroyed - 109 BC  
by the Jews under  
John Hyrcanus





# Samaritans

- Intermarried with non-Jews
- Only accept 1 prophet - Moses
- Only accept the Torah (Gen to Deut) & Joshua
- Holy Place - Mount Gerizim



# Jews

- No inter-marrying with non-Jews
- Torah plus the Writings, Psalms & Prophets
- Holy Place – Jerusalem Mount





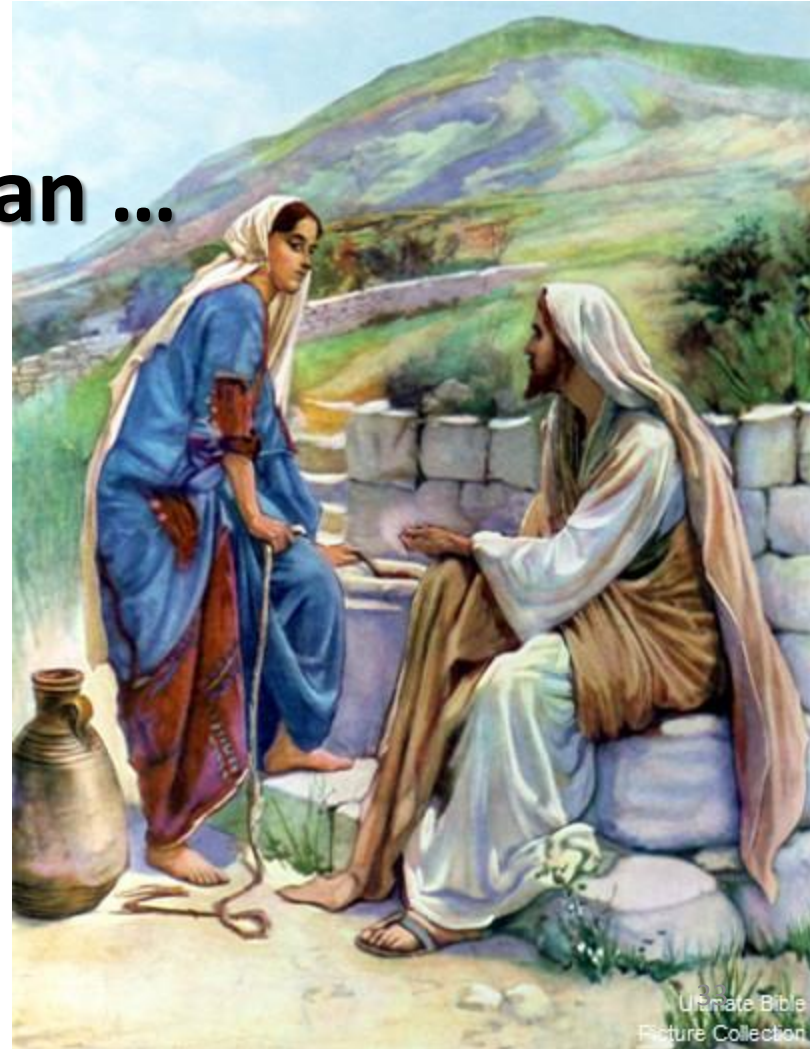
## **2. BARRIERS TO BREAK**

### **a) Cultural / Racial / Religious Barriers**

↪ **Jesus a Jew ...**

↪ **Talking with a Samaritan ...**

↪ **Asking for a drink ...**



## 2. Barriers to Break

a) Cultural / Racial / Religious Barriers

b) Gender Barrier

↪ At that time men do not talk to women in public

↪ NOT EVEN to own wife, sister or daughter in public

↪ Esp so for a religious rabbi  
eg “blue & black Rabbis”



## **Jn 4:10-15**

***<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."***

***<sup>11</sup> "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his flocks and herds?"***





## **Jn 4:10-15**

***13 Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."***

***15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."***



## **John 4:16-20**

***16 He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."***

***17 "I have no husband," she replied.***

***Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband.***

***18 The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."***

***19 "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet.***



## 2. Barriers to Break

- a) Cultural / Racial / Religious Barrier
- b) Gender Barrier
- c) Social Barrier



**Q: What ‘Social’ barrier ?**

**A: The “Morality Social” Barrier**

**Q: What’s the problem about her “Morality” ?**

**Q: Why do we conclude that she lived an ‘immoral’ lifestyle ?**





## FACTS :

- Coming for water at 12 noon – hottest time of the day
- Coming to Jacob's well – about 1 km away from Sychar
- Having have had 5 husbands
- Currently just 'living together' with another

# **3. CHALLENGES TO FACE**

## **a) Physical Need :**

- **Thirst**
- **Gift of 'Living Water'**







**Jn 4:20-24**

***20 Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."***

***21 Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. 22 You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. 23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. 24 God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."***



**Jn 4:25-26**

***25 The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."***

***26 Then Jesus declared, "I who speak to you am he."***



# 3. Challenges to face

a) Physical Need :

b) Spiritual Need :

➤ Sin – Most obvious !!

➤ Realization

↪ Direct question

↪ Direct factual  
answer

➤ 'Repentance'

↪ Prophet

↪ Messiah \*\*



# 3. Challenges to face

- a) Physical Need :
- b) Spiritual Need :
- c) Emotional Need :

- **Worship ??**
- **Place ??**
- **Not a Physical Place but ....**
  - ↪ **Heart...**
  - ↪ **Our Attitude...**
  - ↪ **In Spirit & Truth**





## Jn 4:27-30

*27 Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her?"*

*28 Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people,*

*29 "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Christ?"*

*30 They came out of the town and made their way toward him.*



# 4. TRANSFORMATION TO MAKE

Before ...

- ↪ Lonely
- ↪ Outcast
- ↪ Possibly angry & bitter

After ...

- ↪ Excited & Alive
- ↪ Confident & Open





# 4. Transformation to make

John 4:39-44

*<sup>39</sup> Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did." <sup>40</sup> So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. <sup>43</sup> After the two days he left for Galilee.*

*<sup>41</sup> And because of his words many more became believers.*

*<sup>42</sup> 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."*



# Conclusion : “High Noon Encounter”

Jesus & the Samaritan Woman

**1. Appointment to Keep**

**2. Barriers to Break**

**3. Challenges to Face**

**4. Transformation to  
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# Application : Being With Jesus

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**Philip & the Ethiopian Eunuch**  
**Acts 8**

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Woman by the well ...

↪ Nameless ...

↪ Age ??? ...

↪ A Insignificant ‘Nobody’ ...

YET Many “Firsts”

↪ Chosen ...

↪ Longest Conversation...

↪ ‘Messiah’ revealed...

↪ Salvation for many  
Samaritans





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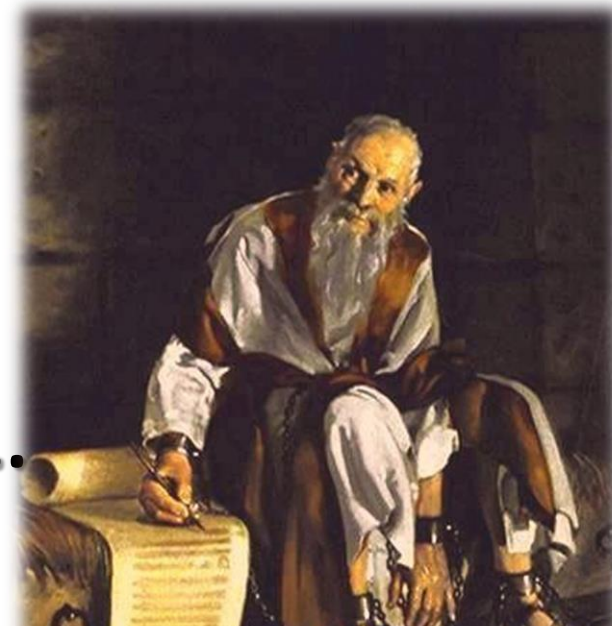
↪ **A woman...**

↪ **A ‘loose’ woman...**

↪ **A social outcast...**

**So many things against her ...**

**YET Jesus made time ...  
reached out ...  
loved her ...**



**Paul : “worst of sinners”** 1 Tim 1:15



**WHO DO YOU THINK Will Be  
MOST RECEPTIVE To The GOSPEL ?**





# Brian Welch Interview



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**Woman by the well ...**

↔ **Cultural ...**

↔ **Religious ...**

↔ **Gender...**

↔ **Social ...**

**So many BARRIERS  
against her ....  
YET Jesus ...**



*Life is like  
an onion...*



# BARRIERS

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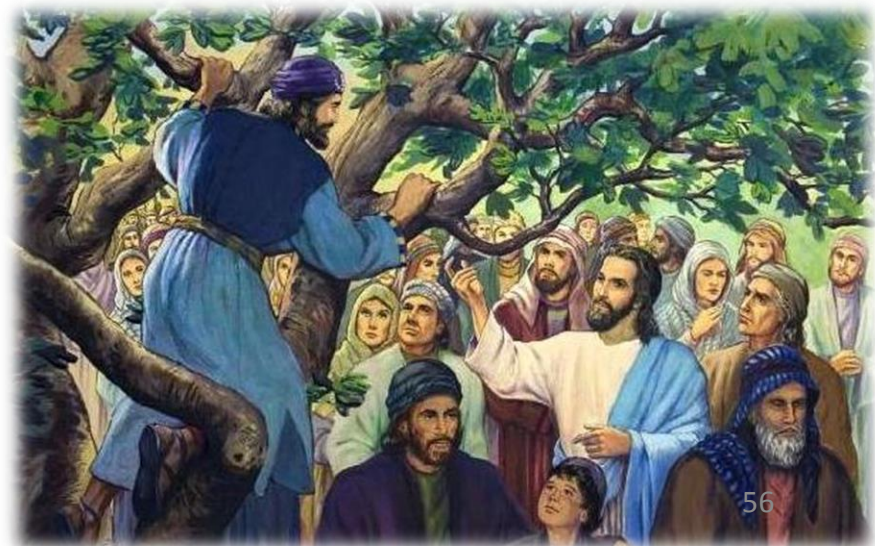


# BARRIERS



# Application : Being With Jesus

## 2. GOD Has His APPOINTED TIME & PLACE





# Application : Being With Jesus

## 3. Salvation must be Visible & Tangible

### ➤ Life Transforming

