

### Section 3: Telling your Story (Giving Your Testimony)

#### John 4: 25-42

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."

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, "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.....

39 Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did." 40 So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. 41 And because of his words many more became believers. 42 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."

- 1) According to the account above (in verse 28), what was the first thing the woman did after beginning this relationship with Jesus? Why do you think she did this?
- 2) According to verse 39, what happened because the woman shared her story (testimony)?
- 3) According to this passage, when does God begin to use the new believer in the lives of other people?
  - a. After they become educated as a Christian
  - b. After they have been a Christian for a long time
  - c. Immediately; as soon as this relationship with Jesus begins
- 4) Because of the woman's introduction to Jesus what did the people finally come to believe? (see verse 42)

**Summary:** The story of how you were introduced and came to know Jesus is powerfully used by God in other people's lives. Don't hesitate to share your story!

In 2-3 minutes share your story with the person you are with right now.  
Tell the person:

- 1) Why you wanted to believe in Jesus
- 2) How your life has changed since putting your faith in Jesus.