## John

## Women's Bible Study 2008/09

- I. Pray: ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word
- 2. Think: the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word
- 3. Begin: using only your Bible, answer the questions without other outside sources

**Lesson Seven—The Gospel of John** Chapter 4:31–54 October 22, 2008

I.	a)	What are the disciples concerned about in John 4:31 and 33?
	b)	Do you think this is (or should be) important to Jesus? Why or why not? (See Matthew 6:32–33; Luke 24:41–42 and John 21:12 for more insight).
2.	a)	What is this food that Jesus talks about in John 4:32? (See John 4:34–36).
	b)	In what area of your life do you feel starved?
	c)	What can you do to gain sustenance? Be specific.

3.		Read Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 49:6, 8–9; 53:5–6; John 1:29, 19:28–30 and Matthew 3:11–12. In John 4:34, what work was Jesus sent to finish?				
4.	a)	Who is the sower in John 4:36?				
	b)	What do you think is the harvest?				
	c)	What is the time frame for the harvest? Why?				
5.	a)	The theme of "one sows and another reaps" occurs elsewhere in the Bible (Joshua 24:12–13 and Micah 6:15). Write in your own words what you think this means.				
	b)	Name some examples in your life where you have reaped where you have not sown or sown and dic not reap.				

	c) Write a prayer of thanksgiving c	or confession concerning your answ	er above.
6.	Compare the Samaritan townsfolk (		official's household, John 4:46–54).
		Samaritan Townsfolk	Royal official & household
	Position in society		
	State of emotion when meeting Jesus		
	What do they ask of Jesus?		
	How does Jesus respond?		
	"Reason" for coming to belief		
	Quantity of people coming to belief		
7.	a) With which type of believer do y	ou most identify—the Samaritan to	ownsfolk or the royal official? Why?
	b) How can this impact the way ot	hers see God through you?	

8.	Who do you remain dependent upon or who remains dependent upon you for faith in Jesus? What actions can you take or encourage others to take to transfer dependence of belief onto Jesus?		