

To ting om Kristus + tilbedelse

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Johannes 4,5-26: Han kom da til en by i Samaria, der hed Sykar, i nærheden af det stykke jord, Jakob gav sin søn Josef. Der var Jakobsilden. Træt af vandringen satte Jesus sig så ved kilden; det var ved den sjette time.

En samaritansk kvinde kom for at hente vand. Jesus sagde til hende: "Giv mig noget at drikke." Hans disciple var nemlig gået ind til byen for at købe mad. Den samaritanske kvinde sagde til ham: "Hvordan kan du, en jøde, bede mig, en samaritansk kvinde, om noget at drikke?" - jøder vil nemlig ikke have med samaritanere at gøre. Jesus svarede hende: "Hvis du kendte Guds gave og vidste, hvem det er, der siger til dig: Giv mig noget at drikke, så ville du have bedt ham, og han ville have givet dig levende vand." Kvinden sagde til ham: "Herre, du har ingen spand, og brønden er dyb; hvor får du så levende vand fra? Du er vel ikke større end vor fader Jakob, som gav os brønden og selv drak af den, ligesom hans sønner og hans kvæg?" Jesus svarede hende: "Enhver, som drikker af dette vand, skal tørste igen. Men den, der drikker af det vand, jeg vil give ham, skal aldrig i evighed tørste. Det vand, jeg vil give ham, skal i ham blive en kilde, som vælder med vand til evigt liv." Kvinden sagde til ham: "Herre, giv mig det vand, så jeg ikke skal tørste og gå herud og hente vand." Han sagde til hende: "Gå hen og kald på din mand, og kom herud!" Kvinden svarede: "Jeg har ingen mand." Jesus sagde til hende: "Du har ret, når du siger: Jeg har ingen mand; for du har haft fem mænd, og den, du har nu, er ikke din mand; dér sagde du noget sandt." Kvinden sagde til ham: "Herre, jeg ser, at du er en profet. Vore fædre har tilbedt Gud på dette bjerg, men I siger, at stedet, hvor man skal tilbede ham, er i Jerusalem." Jesus sagde til hende: "Tro mig, kvinde, der kommer en time, da det hverken er på dette bjerg eller i Jerusalem, I skal tilbede Faderen. I tilbeder det, I ikke kender; vi tilbeder det, vi kender, for frelsen kommer fra jøderne. Men der kommer en time, ja, den er nu, da de sande tilbedere skal tilbede Faderen i ånd og sandhed. For det er sådanne tilbedere, Faderen vil have. Gud er ånd, og de, som tilbeder ham, skal tilbede i ånd og sandhed." Kvinden sagde til ham: "Jeg ved, at Messias skal komme" - det vil sige Kristus; "når han kommer, vil han fortælle os alt." Jesus sagde til hende: "Det er mig, den der taler til dig."

1. Hun vidste 2 ting

Kvinden vidste to ting om Messias: at han ville komme. Og at han ville fortælle dem alt, når han kom. **"Jeg ved, at Messias skal komme" – det vil sige Kristus; "når han kommer, vil han fortælle os alt."** - Det er to gode ting at vide om Kristus. At han skal komme. Og at han

Two things about the Christ + worship

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John. 4:5-26 ESV: 5 So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar; near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

7 A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8 (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" 12 Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." 13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will 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 will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water." 16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." 17 The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." 19 The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. 20 Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." 21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. 22 You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." 25 The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." 26 Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

1. She knew 2 things

The woman knew two things about the Messiah: that He would come. And that he would tell them everything when he came. **"I know that the Messiah will come" – that is, Christ; "When he comes, he will tell us**

vil fortælle os alt, når han kommer. Det vidste hun om Kristus, Messias.

Men hvad vidste kvinden om Jesus? Evangelisten fortæller, at hun sagde til ham: **"Hvordan kan du, en jøde, bede mig, en samaritansk kvinde, om noget at drikke?" ... "Herre, du har ingen spand, og brønden er dyb; hvor får du så levende vand fra? Du er vel ikke større end vor fader Jakob, som gav os brønden og selv drak af den, ligesom hans sønner og hans kvæg?"** Hun vidste, hvad hun så: at han var en mand, at han var jøde og sad ved en brønd i middagsheden. Hun vidste også, at han ikke havde nogen spand, og nok heller ikke kunne give sig selv vand fra brønden. Hun havde ingen forventninger til Jesus. ... Og Jesus fortæller hende og os en ting mere: at hun ikke kendte Gud, selv om hun tilbad Gud. **"I tilbeder det, I ikke kender!"**

Sådan er det for de fleste danskere: De har en tro på en gud, en tro på, at der findes noget større. Men kender ikke Faderen og Sønnen. Og har slet ikke den erkendelse, som kvinden trods alt have: at Kristus kommer og at han skal fortælle os alt, når han kommer. Og den moderne dansker mangler, hvad kvinden havde: gudsdyrkelse og tilbedelse af Gud. I

2. Jesus kommer til os – han er Kristus

Alt det vil Jesus ændre på hos kvinden og hos dem i byen, hvor hun kommer fra. Og også hos os og i den by, vi bor. Han siger jo: **"Tro mig, kvinde, der kommer en time, da det hverken er på dette bjerg eller i Jerusalem, I skal tilbede Faderen. Men der kommer en time, ja, den er nu, da de sande tilbedere skal tilbede Faderen i ånd og sandhed. For det er sådanne tilbedere, Faderen vil have."**

Gud Fader, som har skabt os, vil have vores tilbedelse. Han åbenbarer for os, at Jesus er Messias. At Jesus er den, som er kommet til os. At Jesus fortæller os alt, så vi får troen og tilbeder Faderen.

I kvindens tilfælde gik det sådan til: Jesus, Gud Søn fra evighed, var blevet menneske. (Kap 1). Han begyndte med at bede hende om hjælp: **"Giv mig noget at drikke!"** Og det var ikke bare for at komme i kontakt. Der står jo: **Træt af vandringen satte Jesus sig så ved kilden;** Jesus var træt og tørstig. Og havde ingen spand. Det mærkede kvinden. Hun betød pludselig noget for en ukendt mand, hun aldrig havde mødt før.

Sådan gør Gud også med os: du betyder noget. Du kan hjælpe. Det kan du. Jesus siger det sådan: *og den, der tager imod sådan et barn i mit navn, tager imod mig. (Matt. 18:5) For den, der giver jer et bæger vand at drikke, fordi I hører Kristus til, sandelig siger jeg jer, han skal ikke gå glip af sin løn. (Mk. 9:41).*

everything." - These are two good things to know about Christ. That he will come. And that he will tell us everything when he comes. She knew this about Christ, the Messiah.

But what did the woman know about Jesus? The evangelist reports that she said to him: **"How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for something to drink?" ... "Lord, you have no bucket, and the well is deep; So where do you get living water from? Are you no greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, just like his sons and his cattle?"** She knew what she saw: that he was a man, that he was a Jew, and that he was sitting by a well in the midday heat. She also knew that he had no bucket, and probably could not give himself water from the well. She had no expectations of Jesus. ... And Jesus tells her and us one more thing: that she didn't know God even if she lived in worship. **"You worship what you do not know!"**

That's how it is for most Danes: a belief in a god, a belief that there is something greater. But only very few know the Father and the Son and have not realization that Christ is coming and that He will tell us everything when He comes. And the modern Dane has no worship at all. A faint sense of something divine. No knowledge of Christ and no worship!

2. Jesus comes to us – he is the Christ

Jesus wants to change all that in the woman life and in those in the city where she comes from. And also in us and in the city where we live. For he says: **"Believe me, woman, an hour is coming, since it is neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem that you will worship the Father. But there is an hour, yes, it is now, when the true worshipers are to worship the Father in spirit and truth. For it is such worshippers that the Father wants."**

God the Father, who created us, wants our worship. He reveals to us that Jesus is the Messiah. That Jesus is the one who has come to us. That Jesus tells us everything so that we can have faith and worship the Father.

In the case of the woman, it happened like this: Jesus, God the Son from eternity, had become man. (Ch. 1). He began by asking her for help: **"Give me something to drink!"** And it wasn't just to get in touch. It says: **Tired of the walk, Jesus sat down at the spring;** Jesus was tired and thirsty. And had no bucket. The woman felt it. She suddenly meant something to an unknown man she had never met before.

So God does with us: you matter. You can help. You can. Jesus says it this way: *and whoever receives such a child in my name receives me. (Matt. 18:5) For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, he will not miss his reward. (Mk. 9:41).*

Sådan kommer Jesus i kontakt med os – gennem et menneske, som er i nød – og som måske kender Jesus: et barn, en ung, en ældre.

Og mens hun er ved at slukke hans tørst og hjælpe ham, siger Jesus til hende, at han også har noget, hun behøver: **"Hvis du kendte Guds gave og vidste, hvem det er, der siger til dig: Giv mig noget at drikke, så ville du have bedt ham, og han ville have givet dig levende vand."** Og hun mærker, at han måske tænker på noget meget større. Hvis du vidste, at den kristne, du hjælper, er Jesus' repræsentant og udsending, så ville du bede om at få det livets vand, som den anden lever af. – Sådan har kristne ufatteligt meget at give, fordi nemlig har fået uendeligt meget af Gud. Tilgivelse som det største. Og dermed evigt liv. Og håb. Og at Jesus er med os alle dage. Vi skulle igen og igen dele det med hinanden.

3. Jesus fortæller os alt – han er Kristus

Og nu fortæller kvinden noget, der er svært, personligt, pinligt og smerteligt. **Han sagde til hende: "Gå hen og kald på din mand, og kom herud!" Kvinden svarede: "Jeg har ingen mand." Jesus sagde til hende: "Du har ret, når du siger: Jeg har ingen mand; for du har haft fem mænd, og den, du har nu, er ikke din mand; dér sagde du noget sandt."**

At det var svært for kvinden, ser vi måske deraf, at hun gik ud til brønden ved middagstid, da det var hedt og alle andre blev hjemme i skyggen. Hun levede i skam og skjulte sig. Hun havde haft fem mænd, men nu levede hun uden ægteskab, måske som prostitueret? eller måske blev hun udnyttet og misbrugt og var foragtet i byen?

Hvordan kunne Jesus vide det? Det var første gang, hun mødte Jesus, og han havde ikke nogen viden om hende ellers. Jo, fordi Jesus er Kristus, som er Guds Søn fra evighed af. Vi er skabt i ham og til ham. Det er om ham, der står i salme 139: *Før ordet bliver til på min tunge, ved du det, Herre. Alle dagene stod skrevet i din bog før en eneste af dem er kommet. Det er underfuldt i mine øjne, jeg fatter det ikke.* Kvinden vidste, at der var skrevet sådan om Herren, som ville komme. Om Kristus. Og nu stod hun måske foran ham? Han fortalte hende jo alt, alt det, som ikke var til at holde ud i hendes liv. Og hun mærkede, at han var der for hende for at give hende levende vand.

Sådan ved Jesus også alt om os, der er i kirke i dag. Han fortæller os det, som kvinden ved, at Kristus vil fortælle os: **"Når han kommer, vil han fortælle os alt!"**

Jesus Kristus er ikke kun en Herre, som ved alt, men også vor Frelser, som fortæller os om det, der er gået i stykker i vores liv, og alle vore synder. Han fortæller det til os, for at vi må indse, at vi har syndet. Virkelig synd og skyld! Og hvad er det så: Noget i retning af kvindens synd? Utugt? Ugudeligt begær? Svigt overfor din ægtefælle? Eller er det måske, at vi ikke tilbad ham og kun havde den kristne tro som en interesse, hvor du diskuterer teologisk emner? Lidt viden om Kristus, men

This is how Jesus comes into contact with us – through a person who is in need – and who may know Jesus: a child, a young person, an elderly.

And while she is quenching his thirst and helping him, Jesus tells her that he also has something she needs: **"If you knew the gift of God and knew who it is that says to you, 'Give me something to drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."** And she senses that he may be thinking of something much bigger. If you knew that the Christian you are helping is Jesus' representative and emissary, then you would ask for the water of life that the other person lives on. Forgiveness as the greatest. And thus eternal life. And that Jesus is with us every day. We will to share it with each other again and again.

3. Jesus tells us everything – he is the Christ

And now Jesus tells her something that is difficult, personal, embarrassing and painful. **He said to her, "Go and call your husband, and come out here." The woman replied, "I don't have a husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say, 'I have no husband; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband; There you said something true.'"**

That it was difficult for the woman we may see from the fact that she went out to the well at noon, when it was hot and everyone else stayed at home in the shade. She lived in shame and hid. She had had five husbands, but now she was living without marriage – perhaps as a prostitute? Or she was exploited and abused and was despised in the city.

How could Jesus know? It was the first time she met Jesus, and he had no knowledge of her otherwise. Because Jesus is the Christ. He is the Son of God from eternity. We are created in Him and for Him. It is of him who is written in Psalm 139: *Before the word is made on my tongue, you know, O Lord. All the days were written in your book before a single one of them has come. It's wonderful in my eyes, I don't get it.* The woman knew that it was written thus about the Lord who would come. About Christ. And now maybe she was standing in front of him? He told her everything, everything that was unbearable in her life. And she felt that he was there for her giving her living water.

This is also how Jesus knows everything about us who are in church today. He tells us, just as the woman said: **"When he comes, he will tell us everything!"**

Jesus Christ is not only a Lord who knows all things. He is also our Savior who tells us about what is broken in our lives and all our sins. He tells us so that we may realize that we have sinned. A real shame and guilt! And what is it: Something like the woman's sin? Fornication? Evil desire? Neglect of your spouse? Or is it maybe that you did not worship Him, but only shared dogmatics discussion topics. A little knowledge of Christ, but no

ingen tilbedelse. Og en kirkegang, som ikke var i ånd og sandhed.

Hør hvordan Jesus underviser om sandheden i kapitlet forud: ¹⁹ *Og dette er dommen, at lyset er kommet til verden, og menneskene elskede mørket frem for lyset, fordi deres gerninger var onde.* ²⁰ *For enhver, som øver ondt, hader lyset og kommer ikke til lyset, for at hans gerninger ikke skal afsløres.* ²¹ *Men den, der gør sandheden, kommer til lyset, for at det skal blive åbenbart, at hans gerninger er gjort i Gud.» (Joh 3:19-21)*

Og når vi står der og er afsløret, siger han: *Jeg er vejen, sandheden og livet (Joh 14,6).* Han siger: "Mit blod renser jer fra al synd."

Det er sandheden om dig, når du hører evangeliet og er døbt. Sandheden er, at du nu drikker af det levende vand. Jesus er hos dig midt i det, som måske ikke kan ændres på, fordi problemet er i dit hjerte. Men da renser han hjertet ved syndernes forladelse. Han renser dig ved at gøre det for dig, som han gjorde for kvinde.

4. Vi må tilbede i ånd og sandhed

Og nu må vi tilbede ham i ånd og sandhed.

Den tid kommer, ja er nu da de sande tilbedere skal tilbede i Ånd og Sandhed. Det er at indse sin synd og tage imod tilgivelsen. Og det er at tage imod hinanden og hjælpe, hvor vi kan hjælpe. Sådan driver evangeliet os i dag ind i tilbedelse, tilbedelse af Jesus som vore KRISTUS og FRELSER. Tilbedelse af Gud, vor kære Fader. Det gør vi her i gudstjenesten og i hverdagen. Amen.

worship. A church attendance that was not in Spirit and Truth.

Listen to how Jesus teaches about the truth in the preceding chapter: ¹⁹ *And this is the judgment, that light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their works were evil.* ²⁰ *For everyone who does evil hates the light, and does not come to the light, lest his works be revealed.* ²¹ *But he who does the truth comes to the light, that it may be manifest that his works are done in God." (John 3:19-21)*

And when we stand there and are exposed, He says: *I am the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6).* He says, "My blood cleanses you from all sin."

That is the truth about you when you hear the gospel and are baptized. The truth is that you are now drinking from the living water. Jesus is with you in the midst of what may not be changed because the problem is in your heart. But then he purifies the heart by the forgiveness of sins. He cleanses you by doing it for you as He did for woman.

4. We worship in spirit og and truth

And now we worship him in Spirit and Truth.

The time is coming, yes, is now when the true worshippers will worship in Spirit and Truth. It is to realize one's sin and accept forgiveness. And that is to welcome each other and help where we can help. This is how the gospel drives us today into worship, worship of Jesus as our CHRIST and SALVATION. Worship of God, our dear Father. We do this here in the service and in everyday life. Amen.