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Gospel According to John 4:27-42

What Jesus Gets Excited About

Transcript

00:00:00 Robert

We were going to. We typically do the Lord's supper on the 1st Sunday of the week, but our bread makers for the week have a sick child, so we're going to do Lord's supper next week, but I'm excited that you're here today.

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I think we we missed.

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I thought somebody else walked in that I thought.

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I saw and I.

00:00:17 Robert

Don't see them now, actually, not you.

00:00:21 Robert

It was someone else, I thought, but maybe I was just completely wrong.

00:00:25 Robert

I did see you.

00:00:26 Robert

Walk yet.

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But you're not who never mind.

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This has nothing to do with her.

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Let's talk about the sermon because as Eric says, I'm the only preacher he knows that can can derail my own sermon, so I haven't even started yet.

00:00:43 Robert

I derail myself better than anyone else.

00:00:45 Robert

Here's what I can tell you.

00:00:46 Robert

I'm so excited that you're here today.

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I am just pumped that you were here and we're going to talk about what I think gets Jesus excited and.

00:00:57 Robert

So what I want you to think about before we even read.

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The scripture is just something.

00:01:02 Robert

That you get giddy about.

00:01:05 Robert

Like you know.

00:01:06 Robert

That thing that people say don't give them talking about this because if they start talking about this, they're never going to shut up about it.

00:01:15 Robert

OK, so my kids.

00:01:17 Robert

For me it's the the socio socio economic theory of signaling.

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I can just go on and on and on about it if you want to know more about it you should read this economist.

00:01:29 Robert

Named John list.

00:01:30 Robert

He is the.

00:01:31 Robert

Lead economist for Walmart.

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Now he was the lead economist for Lyft.

00:01:34 Robert

Before that he was the lead economist for Uber.

00:01:36 Robert

Before that, it's fascinating stuff.

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If you can't tell, I want to.

00:01:39 Robert

Start talking about it right now.

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And what you're thinking about that subject for you?

00:01:44 Robert

Or for someone you love.

00:01:48 Robert

And think about that with what we're about to read from Jesus.

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So this is what the word of the.

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Lord says

00:01:54 Robert

Just then, his disciples return.

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Now I'm gonna before we go any further, and I typically don't do this, but I I want to set this up.

00:02:02 Robert

But just then.

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The portion before that.

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Was the Samaritan woman in the well?

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If you remember that story, Jesus is walking through Samaria, a land that a good Jew would avoid because they're this is not a term we would typically use, but they're.

00:02:19 Robert

They're **** *.

00:02:19 Robert

They're not Jewish, they're not Gentile.

00:02:22 Robert

They're **** *.

00:02:24 Robert

Right, and that's truthfully, that's the way the ancient easterners viewed them.

00:02:28 Robert

Ancient Eastern Jews were, like you, don't go through some area, and Jesus went through some area and not only did he go to some area, but he talked with a Samaritan and not only did he talk with a Samaritan, but he talked with a Samaritan woman.

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This was something that a good Jewish man would not do.

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And Jesus did.

00:02:46 Robert

Shocked her so much that she was like how can you talk to me?

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You're Jewish and I'm a Samaritan woman.

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I mean it literally shocked her so much she asked him.

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And he begins to tell her about how he has life to offer to her, and she's changed by it so much that she runs off to tell her community.

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She gets so excited about this ohh my gosh Oh my gosh Oh my gosh, she runs back.

00:03:12 Robert

That's what happened right here.

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So right before this, his disciples were gone.

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That story happens before this.

00:03:19 Robert

Now we're talking.

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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, then leaving her water jar.

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The woman went back to town.

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And said to the people, come see a man who told me everything I ever did.

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Could this be the Messiah?

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

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Meanwhile his disciples urged him, Rabbi eat something.

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But he said to them, I have food to eat, that you know nothing about.

00:03:53 Robert

Then his disciple said to each other, could someone have brought him food?

00:03:57 Robert

My food said Jesus is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.

00:04:04 Robert

Don't you have a saying it's still four months until harvest?

00:04:08 Robert

Tell you open your eyes and look at the fields they are ripe for.

00:04:13 Robert

Harvest even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvest a crop for eternal life so that the sower and the Reaper may be glad together.

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Thus the saying 1 sows and another reaps is true.

00:04:27 Robert

I sent you to reap what you have not.

00:04:29 Robert

Worked for others.

00:04:30 Robert

Have done the.

00:04:31 Robert

Hard work and you.

00:04:32 Robert

Have reaped the benefits of their labor. Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony.

00:04:40 Robert

He told me everything I ever did, so when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them and he stayed two days and because of his words, many more became believers.

00:04:54 Robert

Now I want you to think about whoops.

00:04:55 Robert

Oh, they said to the woman we no longer believe just because of what you said.

00:05:00 Robert

Now we have heard for ourselves and we know that this man really is the savior of the world.

00:05:06 Robert

I want you to think for just a second.

00:05:09 Robert

Now in sports psychology there's this term called flow and you can debate whether or not it actually exists.

00:05:16 Robert

A lot of psychologists would say it doesn't exist, and some would say it does flow.

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Is this mindset where you get into something so well that it just kind of becomes natural and easy to you?

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Quite often talked about with basketball where a basketball player, I think of Steph Curry who just seems to reach a point where he can't miss a shot.

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If you've ever watched Steph Curry ever play, he's he's playing.

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He's doing well.

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He's doing, and then he reaches this point where it just seems like he could just throw the ball up.

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In any method.

00:05:48 Robert

And it goes in the basket.

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Wait, you can watch shots on YouTube, just incredible shots from him.

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And he'll talk about.

00:05:56 Robert

He just reaches his point.

00:05:57 Robert

Where it seems like the basket gets bigger.

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Now think about in your own life, things not so much where you just do things better, but things where you just get.

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So enthralled with something.

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But you don't care about anything else.

00:06:13 Robert

Maybe you've been playing music and you've reached a point where you're like.

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All I really want to do right now is work on this song.

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Maybe you've been studying in school and and all the other stuff you're like.

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This is meaningless.

00:06:24 Robert

This is meaningless.

00:06:25 Robert

This is meaningless.

00:06:26 Robert

I know.

00:06:26 Robert

I have to know it for the test, but this is meaningless and then.

00:06:28 Robert

You see this thing and.

00:06:29 Robert

You're like this is incredible.

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I just want to focus on this is amazing.

00:06:37 Robert

Maybe you're baking.

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And you just get enamored with us and all you want to do is focus on this more.

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I believe what we just read is Jesus hitting this point of well.

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What people when I was growing up would have said is you know what floats your boat. We just saw what what floated Jesus's boat where he gets so excited that he says.

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I have food to eat that you know nothing about what he's literally saying.

00:07:09 Robert

Here is what just happened to me, has filled me up and I'm not even concerned about eating right now.

00:07:14 Robert

He goes from I need food.

00:07:16 Robert

I need something to drink, which is literally what he was asking the the woman for.

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Give me something to drink 2 saying instead.

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I'm satisfied and I just wanna focus on this.

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I just want to spend more time on this.

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He even elaborates a little bit further with the disciples, and I love the disciples.

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OK, they're so wonderful.

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And and I, I'm just going to assume this was Peter.

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That said, this I don't remember if any of the other gospel say who said this, but I love Peter because Peter just says what everybody else is thinking quite often and and they just they, the disciple said.

00:07:52 Robert

Did somebody else give him food and he has to explain he's like.

00:07:56 Robert

My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.

00:08:00 Robert

I think what we're seeing here is Jesus.

00:08:03 Robert

Just has this encounter.

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And he reaches that point that we were talking about earlier.

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That point where you look at your loved one and you're like, please don't get them on this subject because they'll never shut up.

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Please don't get Robert talking about the economic theory of signaling because he's just going to go on and on and on about how everything we do ultimately is about signaling that we belong to one tribe.

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And not to another.

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And we do that in the way we dress.

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And we do that in the Bibles that we carry.

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We do that in everything.

00:08:32 Robert

Don't get him on that subject and you're laughing because you're like.

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Please don't get on that subject, Robert, but you.

00:08:37 Robert

Have your subject too.

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And we just saw what Jesus is subject was.

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Now, this whole scripture that we read beforehand, what was it pointing back to?

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What was the experience that happened beforehand?

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A woman.

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Who, according to social standards, he should have thought was less than?

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Because of her nationality.

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Because of her gender.

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And there are hints within the text.

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The text does not point length that say this, but there are hints within the text that even in the demographics she belonged to, she was considered less than and.

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And that hint is one that if you know the culture at the time and and the way things would have been done, you know that her coming out at noon to get water.

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Probably means that she was trying to avoid other people.

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Now this is that's some conjecture on our part.

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OK, the scripture points it out, but it doesn't say and she did this to avoid other people.

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But what we know is she had many husbands beforehand and Jesus even says the man that she is with right now is not her husband.

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She was probably considered a loose woman.

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That doesn't mean she was loose.

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It could have been the social circumstances she was in forced her in this.

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But we can make some conjecture that in even in her society she was considered marginalized and less than.

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Jesus just spent time talking with someone.

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Who everyone else considered the person to be avoided?

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And he gets so excited about it.

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He gets so excited not just about talking to her, but about letting her know you are loved and you were received in grace.

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I know exactly who you are.

00:10:31 Robert

I know all that you have done, both good and bad and I choose you.

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And I want to give you this water of life because you are mine and he gets so excited about it that he's like I don't need to eat.

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This is what floats his boat.

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This is what he gets really, really excited about.

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I I'm I'm convinced.

00:11:03 Robert

That that Christianity is ultimately about us knowing what our purpose in life is.

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That doesn't mean it's not about us receiving forgiveness of sins, it is.

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It doesn't mean that it's not about us glorifying God, it is, but that ultimately our purpose is we were created.

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In the image of God, to have a relationship with God.

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And when we know our purpose, it helps us to live.

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OK for all the people who have been involved in business, this is about to be old hat for you because about.

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10 years ago.

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A gentleman named Simon Siddick, who some of you may have heard of.

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He did a Ted talk and it was, it was.

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Find your why and it made.

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All the circles OK.

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I mean all the circles like even in my my chaplain training it made all the circle and it was great and he talked about companies.

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That were producing products and the difference between those who said this is what we are all about, and we're going to produce products that are of what we're all about versus companies that just said, hey, we're just trying to produce a product.

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That somebody will buy.

00:12:17 Robert

And his whole point was to find your why he used Apple as an example, Apple was we want to and I don't remember their exact why.

00:12:27 Robert

But it was we want to produce products that change the way people view things.

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And so they shaped those products towards that.

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It went all through it and and The thing is, is that he didn't just come up with that from business.

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He came up with that from a Christian philosopher named Saran Kirkegaard.

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It's a fun, fun word.

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OK, anytime you can throw out a name like that, you just seem smarter, even if.

00:12:55 Robert

You're not Sauron, Kirkegaard said, and you can just make up anything else after that, because nobody else will know.

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But Kierkegaard has a book that is titled Purity of Heart is to will.

00:13:09 Robert

The one thing.

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This whole point was this.

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When you know what's most important in your life?

00:13:21 Robert

Everything else falls into line underneath it.

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And that's the problem.

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So often we have multiple things that we're like.

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I have priorities rather than I have a priority.

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So I have like 10 things that are really important to me.

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But I don't have any one thing that is the defining characteristic of my life.

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And Simon Said's whole point was find out what that one thing is.

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And when you find out what that one thing is, everything else can fall in line underneath it.

00:13:53 Robert

It enables you to say yes to some things and no to some things, and you no longer have to say yes and no based off whether or not they are good.

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So if my one thing and I I'm going to get down to, I believe Jesus should be our one thing we're gonna talk about that.

00:14:08 Robert

But let's say if my one thing is I want to be the best parent I can be, it means I can say no to some things that are really good.

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They just don't help me to be the best parent I can be and that was Simon Senik's whole point that was Sharon character. Guard's whole point was find out what your one.

00:14:23 Robert

The thing is.

00:14:27 Robert

And what did Jesus get excited about?

00:14:31 Robert

He got excited about following the will of God and the will of God was that this marginalized forsaken woman would know that she was loved and a child of God.

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In the midst.

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Of how other people were treating her in the midst of her own choices, some of which may have been sinful.

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That she was claimed by God and Jesus got so excited about that he was like I have food you don't know about.

00:15:06 Robert

Following the will of the father is is my food.

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This is not the first time he's used this as an example of food in the sense of of choosing God.

00:15:19 Robert

's will if you remember in the temptations not not the band but in the temptations that Jesus went through.

00:15:26 Robert

Satan offers him food, which is a good thing, and Jesus responds with it is written man shall not live on bread.

00:15:33 Robert

Alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

00:15:36 Robert

He uses this to counteract Satan.

00:15:39 Robert

You're saying eat right now.

00:15:40 Robert

What I'm saying is it's more important for me to follow God.

00:15:46 Robert

Following that will shapes his life if you remember the garden of Yosemite, Jesus goes there and rightly prays and says Father let this cup pass.

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I don't want to go through this.

00:15:59 Robert

And he ends that prayer with.

00:16:02 Robert

Father, if you were willing to take this cup for me yet not my will, but yours be done.

00:16:12 Robert

We're at the woman on the.

00:16:13 Robert

Well, and Jesus is so.

00:16:15 Robert

Excited because his entire purpose is to follow the will of the father and the will of the father.

00:16:21 Robert

Is that the?

00:16:21 Robert

Lost might be found. People having 100 sheep and one sheep getting lost and the shepherd leaving the other 99 and going to find the wine. And then.

00:16:32 Robert

Celebrating about that.

00:16:33 Robert

This is why Jesus tells parables about a woman who loses a coin and sweeps the entire house to find that coin.

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And when she finds that coin, she celebrates.

00:16:44 Robert

I like to think probably spending more money than the coin was worth just to find that.

00:16:51 Robert

And the reason I bring this up is because so often we think Jesus celebrates the one time when we were fallen, he finds us.

00:16:59 Robert

And then after that it's all on us to not never fall down again.

00:17:03 Robert

And the reality is he.

00:17:05 Robert

Knows who we are.

00:17:09 Robert

He knows that Robert Terrell does not get it right and messes.

00:17:13 Robert

Not in small ways like saying the wrong date for the Super Bowl and small group, but in big ways where I say Jesus is my Lord and then I live in ways that do not reflect that and Jesus gets it cited when I realize through the conviction of the Holy Spirit, I am desperate and in need of him and he doesn't hide from me.

00:17:33 Robert

He claims me and he celebrates over me.

00:17:37 Robert

We're really OK with people being.

00:17:39 Robert

In a fallen state once.

00:17:41 Robert

But then we like to think.

00:17:43 Robert

Then you become a St.

00:17:44 Robert

and never fall again and the reality is of Scripture.

00:17:47 Robert

It's shown again and again and again.

00:17:49 Robert

The followers of Jesus Fail and Jesus claims them.

00:17:54 Robert

Look at Peter the rock.

00:17:59 Robert

The rock

00:18:02 Robert

Is the least rock like individual there is?

00:18:06 Robert

And a pastor that did not have a lot of good things that he did, but he had one saying that I loved, and that was that.

00:18:12 Robert

Peter was the.

00:18:12 Robert

Barney Fife, of the of the New Testament and most of you are too young to know who that is.

00:18:17 Robert

Thank you Mariah for doing that face.

00:18:20 Robert

Andy Griffith show.

00:18:21 Robert

Barney Fife is the guy who opens his mouth and inserts his foot at all times.

00:18:26 Robert

He's a deputy who can only be trusted when one bullet that can never be allowed in his gun.

00:18:31 Robert

That's who Peter is.

00:18:34

I have a.

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Photo for that.

00:18:37 Robert

It's cause I just brought it up.

00:18:38 Robert

It was not a part of if you look at my transcript for the sermon, it was not a part.

00:18:42 Robert

I just brought it up.

00:18:46 Robert

That's what floats his boat.

00:18:54 Robert

I cannot stress it enough.

00:19:00 Robert

And the Samaritan woman gets so excited.

00:19:05 Robert

I just picture and this is not scripture.

00:19:07 Robert

This is me picturing OK.

00:19:10 Robert

But the way I read the scripture there, she gets so excited about what Jesus has just done for her that she just goes.

00:19:16 Robert

I have to tell everybody and just runs away from him.

00:19:18 Robert

At that point, it's just like.

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You're the.

00:19:20 Robert

Greatest and just.

00:19:22 Robert

Goes the woman who is excluded.

00:19:29 Robert

It's excluded because she was a woman.

00:19:31 Robert

It's excluded because she was Samaritan and most likely again I cannot stress enough.

00:19:35 Robert

I don't ever want to put words in scriptures mouth.

00:19:38 Robert

I think Scripture is saying this, but it is conjecture was most likely excluded by the Samaritans.

00:19:46 Robert

Goes from a person who has to come to the well.

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At noon time, where there when others will not be there and she runs and becomes one of the first evangelist.

00:19:56 Robert

One of the first people to proclaim the good news and what is the good news?

00:19:59 Robert

The good news is that God loves to redeem the lost God, loves to claim the sheep that has fallen aside.

00:20:08 Robert

God loves to save us from our sins.

00:20:13 Robert

She preaches in such a way she preaches in such a way that the village comes to know Jesus.

00:20:21 Robert

Here this is what it says. Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony. He told me everything I ever did.

00:20:32 Robert

Think of that.

00:20:34 Robert

He told me everything I ever did.

00:20:37 Robert

I want you to think for just a few minutes.

00:20:39 Robert

On what you've done over the past.

00:20:45 Robert

Now there's some that you would love for people to know about.

00:20:49 Robert

I did this and this was wonderful.

00:20:53 Robert

There's some that you would not want anybody to know about.

00:21:02 Robert

And she's excited about the fact that he knows everything about her.

00:21:07 Robert

Her victories and her failures.

00:21:11 Robert

Where she did the moral right and she did the moral wrong.

00:21:17 Robert

He told me everything I ever did and she's excited about the fact that he knows her.

00:21:23 Robert

Yes, ma'am Mariah.

00:21:28 Robert

Yeah, and what happened instead?

00:21:31 Robert

Yeah, and not only does he still love her, not only does he talk to her.

00:21:34 Robert

If you notice a little small line there, he stays with them.

00:21:37 Robert

For two days.

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He literally changes his plans because of what just happened.

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He was going through some area.

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The whole purpose was to get from Galilee to Judea.

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He was going through there as a good ancient eastern Jew.

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He should have gone as fast as possible if he had to go through there at all.

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And what happens is he has this conversation with a woman that many would consider lost.

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And she has found, and he's so excited about it.

00:22:02 Robert

Not only does he not eat now, he's staying.

00:22:07 Robert

Because he knew everything about him.

00:22:10 Robert

And he loved him.

00:22:16 Robert

They use a phrase that is light to us, would not have been light at the time they use a phrase.

00:22:22 Robert

This is this.

00:22:23 Robert

It is the savior of the world.

00:22:27 Robert

They probably knew at the time that the Caesar of Rome, Caesar Augustus, was beginning to use this phrase for himself.

00:22:36 Robert

The most powerful person in the world was using this phrase of himself.

00:22:43 Robert

And they look at Jesus, the one who all he did was know who they were.

00:22:46 Robert

And love him.

00:22:48 Robert

And they say he's the savior.

00:22:53 Robert

Because I'm convinced what we need in this world is not political right, not political power.

00:22:58 Robert

What we need in this world is someone to know who we are and to.

00:23:01 Robert

Love us.

00:23:06 Robert

To know what lifts us up to what gets us down.

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To know our failures.

00:23:10 Robert

To know our victories.

00:23:11 Robert

And to love us.

00:23:17 Robert

And the beauty is, I think this passage is describing that's what gets Jesus excited.

00:23:27 Robert

So what does this mean for us?

00:23:30 Robert

What is our why based off this?

00:23:36 Robert

The easy answer is to say Jesus.

00:23:38 Robert

Is our why?

00:23:41 Robert

The thing is, is that sometimes the easy answers are right.

00:23:44 Robert

But it means we have to figure out what that means.

00:23:48 Robert

For Jesus to be our, why?

00:23:49 Robert

What does that mean?

00:23:52 Robert

I think it means we need to love the things he loves.

00:23:57 Robert

What does he love?

00:23:57 Robert

Well, he loves us.

00:24:02 Robert

He loves the fallen around us.

00:24:06 Robert

He loves us when we've fallen.

00:24:09 Robert

We need to love the things that Jesus loves and act in that, and that goes against everything else that's in the world because in the world you hang out with those.

00:24:18 Robert

That are like you.

00:24:23 Robert

I'm smiling because what's running through my mind is that's the whole point of economic signaling.

00:24:29 Robert

So what is your why?

00:24:33 Robert

Scripture says that we should have no other gods before the Lord, and that why is what is most important in your life that shapes everything else.

00:24:49 Robert

In religion we would call that your God.

00:24:55 Robert

What is your why?

00:24:58 Robert

If your why is perfection and for a lot of people it is OK, I have to succeed at this.

00:25:06 Robert

Pam would tell you this week I struggled with well that trip to Honduras.

00:25:09 Robert

I struggled cause I felt like I'd failed.

00:25:13 Robert

It was a big struggle for me.

00:25:16 Robert

I felt like I had failed and I'd let down people that needed me not to let them down.

00:25:21 Robert

Now, intellectually, I knew that wasn't the case.

00:25:25 Robert

But emotionally.

00:25:28 Robert

It was crushing me.

00:25:31 Robert

If my, why is to succeed and to help people all the time?

00:25:35 Robert

Then I'm a pretty terrible Robert this week.

00:25:41 Robert

It's OK though, because my why is Jesus and I know that he loves me.

00:25:46 Robert

I just have to remind myself of that a lot.

00:25:50 Robert

What is your why?

00:25:55 Robert

And how is it shaping your life?

00:25:59 Robert

So before I end.

00:26:03 Robert

Does anybody have anything else to add?

00:26:11 Robert

OK.

00:26:13 Robert

Here's what I would encourage.

00:26:14 Robert

Us to do this week.

00:26:17 Robert

Oops, I think I went the wrong direction.

00:26:18 Robert

It's the same thing.

00:26:21 Robert

I just had a silhouette.

00:26:22 Robert

There we go.

00:26:26 Robert

This week

00:26:28 Robert

I like to do a lot of the same simple things all the time. I pray a prayer called the Prayer of Saint Patrick's a lot. A whole lot. I pray the Lord's prayer a whole lot.

00:26:41 Robert

Because I need these reminders right now, I'm just going through the Psalms.

00:26:44 Robert

I will go through the Psalms all year and if you read the Psalms consistently, what you begin to realize is they're almost all the same.

00:26:51 Robert

There's like 3 different versions of them and then the same thing over and over again.

00:26:56 Robert

I need you.

00:26:58 Robert

Thank you for helping me.

00:27:00 Robert

Would you destroy somebody else?

00:27:01 Robert

For me, those are basically the.

00:27:02 Robert

3 forms of the Psalms.

00:27:06 Robert

Just repeat it over and over and over again.

00:27:11 Robert

This week I would encourage you.

00:27:14 Robert

To go.

00:27:15 Robert

Jesus loves to find the lost.

00:27:19 Robert

And to realize when that's you.

00:27:22 Robert

And to realize when that's others around you.

00:27:26 Robert

And ask how that shapes your week.

00:27:30 Robert

How does it cause you to look at yourself?

00:27:34 Robert

When you know Jesus knows everything.

00:27:35 Robert

You ever did good and bad?

00:27:40 Robert

How does it cause you to look at others around you?

00:27:46 Robert

And is there anything that you're doing in your life that is not reflecting that?

00:27:52 Robert

That could be not loving yourself.

00:27:56 Robert

That could be not forgiving an enemy.

00:27:59 Robert

It could be a lot of things.

00:28:01 Robert

But I would encourage you to spend that week realizing what Jesus's why is.

00:28:08 Robert

And trying to make sure what yours is.

00:28:11 Robert

Simon Sinek may have done it for business, but there is still a lot of truth there because again, he stole it from a Christian Danish philosopher.

00:28:20 Robert

Who was talking about Jesus?

00:28:23 Robert

Would you join with me in our closing prayer, please?

00:28:30 Speaker 2

Praise God from whom all blessings, flow.

00:28:38 Speaker 2

Praise him.

00:28:40 Speaker 2

All creatures here below praise him.

00:28:49 Speaker 2

Above ye heavenly ho.

00:28:55 Speaker 2

Praise, Father, son and Holy Ghost.

00:29:03 Speaker 2

Ah, Amen.

00:29:10 Robert

Go in the name of the one who gets so excited that he does.

00:29:13 Robert

Not eat to eat.

00:29:14 Robert

He gets that excited over the loss being found.

00:29:18 Robert

He gets that excited about us being found.

00:29:21 Robert

Have a great week, OK for your own video.

00:29:23 Robert

Thank you for joining us today.