

The Road to Jerusalem

### Camping in the Apostle Islands



## Big Bay Park, Madeline Island, WI



### The Journey to Jerusalem

• The Back-Story: Christ's Pre-Existence (John 1:1-4, 14a)

• Jesus Seeks Us: The Samaritan Woman at the Well (John 4: 7, 9, 22-26)

• We Seek Jesus: Bartimaeus at Jericho (Mark 10:46-52)

#### **Aseity**

The quality or state of being self-derived or self-originated specifically: the absolute self-sufficiency, independence, and autonomy of God

#### The Word and Wisdom

Word = Logos = Wisdom personified

Wisdom = the organizing principle of the universe



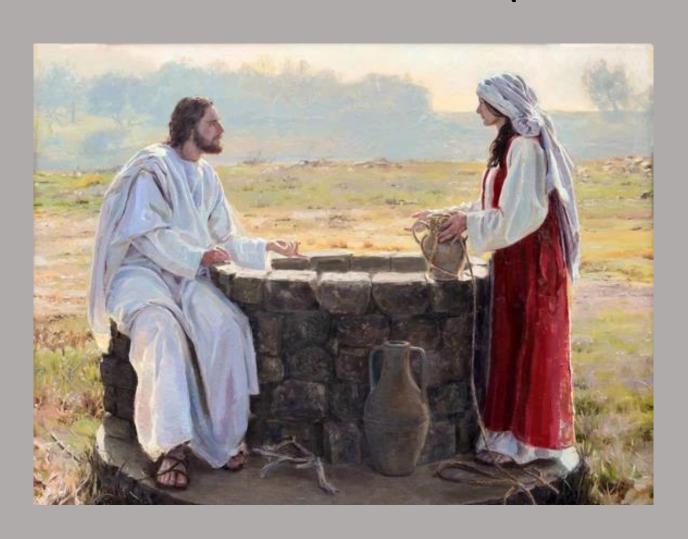
#### Radical Claims

- "Radical" from *Radix* (Latin) for "root"
- John's first radical claim: Logos = God
- John's second radical claim: The Word became flesh (Jesus)

## Dwelt = "tabernacled" = living in a tent



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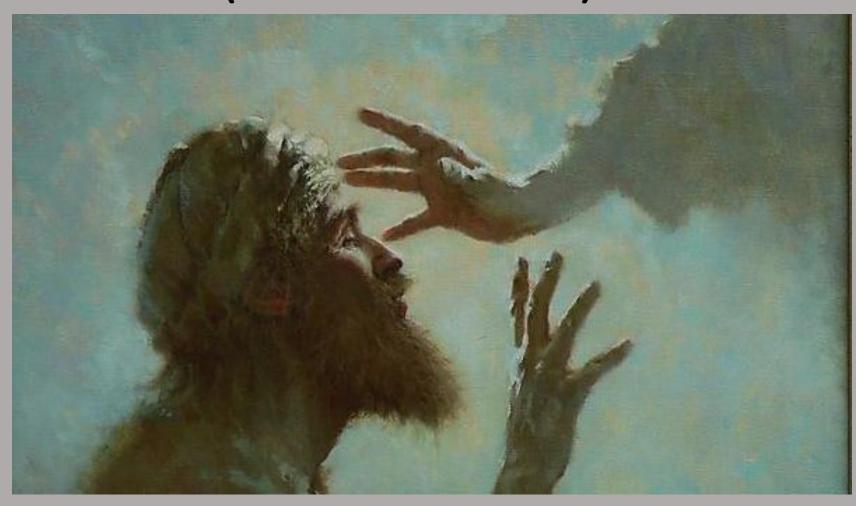
- God interrupts our routines
- Initial Confusion → Inquisitiveness
- God corrects our misconceptions
- God draws us to Him through the Spirit ("Grace")
- Jesus meets us where we are and reveals Himself to us



#### Worship in Spirit and Truth

<sup>23</sup> 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. (John 4:23)

- "Yahweh" by Mercy Chinwo
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9R1RiGllzj0
- Section 4:00-4:49



- Seeking Jesus through belief in Christ
- Christ (Greek) = Messiah (Hebrew) = "Anointed One"
- Real prayer
- "The Jesus Prayer"

God's commands -> Fulfilling Your Ministry

Casting away our spiritual inhibitions

- Jesus meets us where we are
- Be specific in prayer
- Follow Jesus (Justification and Sanctification)

### Follow Jesus where he leads you

