

thriving in the  
**BEAUTIFUL MESS**  
of relationships

**The People Mess**

**Selected Scriptures**

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**Jesus meets the mess of humanity.**

Nicodemus: Informed and Clueless

Samaritan Woman: Confident and Failing

The 38 Year Invalid: Consistent and Ineffective

**Jesus meets us in our mess with salvation.**

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# My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

1. React to the statement: "Relationships are messy because people are messy." What kind of mess do you usually make?
2. Look at each of the four people Jesus met in John 3-4. (Nicodemus, the Samaritan woman, the invalid, and the disciples). Do you relate your mess to any of these people? If not, think of a person in the Bible who has similar traits to you.
3. What does the gospel tell us about Jesus and our messiness?
4. Examine James 1:13-15. Why do we make messes of our lives? How does this truth challenge us to make Jesus our only desire? Explain.



## Memory Verse

*"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."*

Mark 10:45