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**Identity Politics, Part 2**

John 4.5 So [Jesus] came to a city of Samaria ... 7 A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." ... 9 Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. 10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." ... 15 The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." 16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." 17 The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly." 19 The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet ... 21 Jesus said to her, ... 22 "You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him ... 25 The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (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."

- Roman soldiers and tax collectors (Mat 8.5-12; Luke 3.12-14; Acts 10).

\* What can we conclude?

\* What is the essence of identity politics, ancient and modern?

\* What do we learn from the following about Jesus and how he viewed people and dealt with them?

- The Samaritan woman (John 4.5-26).

- The woman caught in adultery (John 8. 2-11).