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What describes you should not necessarily define you

⁷ Soon a Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Please give me a drink."

⁸ He was alone at the time because his disciples had gone into the village to buy some food.

⁹ The woman was surprised, for Jews refuse to have anything to do with Samaritans. She said to Jesus, "You are a Jew, and I am a Samaritan woman. Why are you asking me for a drink?"

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¹⁵ "Please, sir," the woman said, "give me this water! Then I'll never be thirsty again, and I won't have to come here to get water."

¹⁶ "Go and get your husband," Jesus told her.

¹⁷ "I don't have a husband," the woman replied. Jesus said, "You're right! You don't have a husband--

¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and you aren't even married to the man you're living with now. You certainly spoke the truth!"

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¹⁹ "Sir," the woman said, "you must be a prophet.
²⁰ So tell me, why is it that you Jews insist that Jerusalem is the only place of worship, while we Samaritans claim it is here at Mount Gerizim, where our ancestors worshiped?"
²¹ Jesus replied, "Believe me, dear woman, the time is coming when it will no longer matter whether you worship the Father on this mountain or in Jerusalem.
²² You Samaritans know very little about the one you worship, while we Jews know all about him, for salvation comes through the Jews.

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²³ But the time is coming-- indeed it's here now-- when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way.

²⁴ For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth."

²⁵ The woman said, "I know the Messiah is coming-- the one who is called Christ. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."

²⁶ Then Jesus told her, "I AM the Messiah!"

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28 The woman left her water jar beside the well and ran back to the village, telling everyone,
29 "Come and see a man who told me everything I ever did! Could he possibly be the Messiah?"
30 So the people came streaming from the village to see him.

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The exchange between Jesus and the Samaritan woman does not change the consequences of her past actions or decisions, but it does change the constitution of her identity.
