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IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

John 4:1-6

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 - **Since the true God is spirit, true worshipers would soon worship in spirit and truth.**

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- This is the only time, outside of his trials, that Jesus explicitly identified himself this way—what amazing grace!

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Sometimes God does amazing things in the midst of mundane things. Sometimes God uses circumstances as guides and the things that surround us as metaphors for the gospel. Sometimes God reveals his glory when we least expect it and unveils his will in ways that surprise us.