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*Coming  
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focus.*

COME AND SEE

JOHN 1:19-4:54

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John 4:1-15 | What Makes Grace Grace? Exploring the Un in Unmerited Favor

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## Discussion Questions

*Community Groups meet throughout the week and play a crucial role in our response to the preaching of the word. These groups gather to discuss the following questions as we seek to apply the sermon in community with one another. Please visit [compassntx.org](http://compassntx.org) to join a small group near you.*

1. Read **John 4:4**. What are the differences between the “economic” and “immanent (ontological)” Trinity? How much should we apply what we know about the economic Trinity to the eternal functionality of the immanent Trinity? What are the dangers if we over-emphasize or under-emphasize their connections?

2. Read **2 Peter 3:16**. Peter says there are some things in Paul’s letters that are “*hard to understand.*” Why is it helpful and good for us to study deeper things about God from time to time? How can stretching ourselves to study a subject that is confusing for us help us to draw nearer to God in the process?

3. Read **Ephesians 2:8-9**. A couple of Mormon missionaries knock on your door and ask to talk with you about God. In talking with them, you mention that we believe we are saved by grace, not works. “*Us too,*” they respond, “*we believe that we are saved by grace after all we can do. So it’s our job to pursue good works and righteousness while on earth, trusting that God will provide the grace to make up the gap when we die.*” What is wrong with this perspective? What are they failing to understand about grace? How would you respond?

4. Read **John 4:14; Luke 17:3-4; Ephesians 4:32; Colossians 3:13**. How does a daily reminder of God’s abundant grace encourage a forgiving spirit in us? Does God’s grace compel us to forgive someone even if they have not repented or sought our forgiveness? Why or why not?