

# John 4:30

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Then they went out of the city, and came unto him.

## Analysis

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The people's immediate response 'Then they went out of the city, and came unto him' demonstrates the power of personal testimony, even from an unlikely source. The verb 'came' (Greek: *erchonto*, imperfect tense) suggests a continuous stream of people. God uses weak instruments to draw souls to Christ, manifesting His power in human weakness.

## Historical Context

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The Samaritans' willingness to respond to this woman's testimony, despite her reputation, shows how Christ's power overcomes social barriers. Their coming 'out of the city' to Jesus echoes Abraham's call to leave his country for God's promises.

## Related Passages

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**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does God often use unlikely witnesses to draw people to Christ?
2. What hinders us from responding immediately when we hear testimony about Jesus?

## Interlinear Text

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ἐξῆλθον	οὖν	ἐκ	τῆς	πόλεως	καὶ	ἦρχοντο	πρὸς	αὐτόν
<b>they went</b>	<b>Then</b>	<b>out of</b>	<sup>G3588</sup>	<b>the city</b>	<b>and</b>	<b>came</b>	<b>unto</b>	<b>him</b>
G1831	G3767	G1537		G4172	G2532	G2064	G4314	G846

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