

Biblical Interpretation Exercise

Name:

**John 4:1-26**

Bible Observation Practice #1: Observation

1- Who? (who is mentioned in the text, what do we know about them?)

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2- What? (what is happening before, during and after the text)

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3- Where? (what is the setting of the text)

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4- When? (when did the scene take place)

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Make 20 Observations: (remember: don't jump ahead to interpretation – just observe!)

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Make 5 Interpretations:

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
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Application:

1. How does this text speak to my personal life?

- a. How does the truth revealed here affect my relationship with God?
- b. How does this truth affect my relationship with others?
- c. How does this truth correct my life and the sin in it?

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2. How does this text speak to my audience? (if I am teaching, think of different age groups and generations)

- a. Consider age group, gender, and positions in life

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