HOPE REFORMING HEALERS

Personal Encounter. City Renewal. *Part One.*

John 4:1-6

A declaration of **identity** is a now truth that heals the lies of yesterday and today.

We are the blessed, **<u>chosen</u>**, predestined, freely-given, in-the-know friends of God, who are called and **<u>empowered</u>** to walk as imitators of God, called to do good works that help people, and called to serve as **<u>witnesses</u>** of God's love to people, powers and principalities.

The Tree Upon Which We Hang Our Understanding:

- 1. The Author's Intent.
 - 1. John 1:1
 - 2. John 20:31
- 2. The Cultural History.
 - 1. John 4:3-4
 - 2. 2 Kings 17:23-24
- 3. The **Geographical** Relevance.
 - 1. John 4:5-6
 - 2. Acts 7:16

What are our walk-away points?:

- 1. What story is God telling through your life?
- 2. What relationships and ethnic groups will God use to reveal the power of His love?
- 3. What opportunities exist here in Connecticut, for the Church of Jesus to make a difference?