John 4:9~ Therefore the Samaritan woman said to him; How is it that you, despite being a Jew, ask me for a drink, when I am a Samaritan woman? For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.<sup>1</sup>

## Footnote: According to ABCWVgSy<sup>p,s</sup>; !<sup>\*</sup>Dlt<sup>mss</sup> omit

1. Yet the Samaritan woman expressed surprise, that Jesus had even spoken to her, for the Jews and Samaritans then had no dealings with one another. She could see that he was a Jew, and so she asked him why he spoke to her.

**[Question]** How did the woman express her surprise, that Jesus even talked to her?

2. Subsequently the king of Assyria brought people from Babylon and Cuthah and Avva and Hamath and Sepharvaim and had them dwell in the cities of Samaria instead of the sons of Israel, and they began to take possession of Samaria, and to dwell in its cities. (2 Kings 17:24)

**[Question]** Who did the king of Assyria bring in to fill the land of Samaria with, when exiling the nation of Israel?

3. However, Zerubbabel and Jeshua and the rest of the heads of the paternal houses of Israel said to them; You have nothing to do with us in building a house to our God, for we ourselves shall together build to Yehowah the God of Israel, just as King Cyrus the king of Persia has commanded us. (Ezra 4:3)

[Question] How did faithful men later come to feel about such ones helping in the building work of Jerusalem and the temple?

4. So he sent forth messengers in advance of him. And they went their way and entered into a village of Samaritans, to make preparation for him. (Luke 9:52)

[Question] Where did Jesus send messengers to, when he was going that way?

5. And he said to them; You well know how unlawful it is for a Jew to join himself to, or approach a man of another race, and yet God has shown me I should call no man defiled or unclean. (Acts of Apostles 10:28)

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**[Question]** How did the Jews also feel about having relationships with foreign peoples?

6. These twelve Jesus sent forth, giving them these orders; Do not go off into the road of the nations, and do not enter into a Samaritan city. (Matthew 10:5)

**[Question]** What orders did Jesus give his disciples when sending them forth to preach, for who was their message primarily for then?

7. But they did not receive him, because his face was set for going to Jerusalem. (Luke 9:53)

[Question] How did the Samaritans in another city, later treat Jesus?

8. But a certain Samaritan traveling the road came upon him, and at seeing him, he was moved with pity. (Luke 10:33)

[Question] Who did Jesus use in his parable of the unfortunate traveler, that acted like a neighbor to help the Jew who was wounded?

9. And he fell upon his face at Jesus' feet, thanking him; furthermore, he was a Samaritan. (Luke 17:16)

**[Question]** Who among ten lepers Jesus graciously healed, came back to thank him for his good health?

10. In answer the Jews said to him; Do we not rightly say, you are a Samaritan and have a demon? (John 8:48)

**[Question]** What did the Jews disparagingly say to Jesus, showing their contempt for him?