

ARE YOU THIRSTY

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INTRODUCTION

A. TEXT: *“There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink. For his disciples were gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman therefore saith unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, who am a Samaritan woman? (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.”* (vs. 7-10).

1. Jesus used the physical to teach a spiritual lesson.
2. Much the same way that Jesus used parables.

B. THE SETTING:

1. Jesus and his disciples on their way from Judea to Galilee.
 2. Choose to pass through Samaria. Came to the city of Sychar.
 3. Stopped at Jacob’s well.
 - a. Jacob purchased the land. (Gen. 33:19).
 - b. Gave the land to his son Joseph. (Gen. 48:2-23).
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THE WOMAN

A. HER BACKGROUND.

1. A Samaritan. Who were they?
2. Their religion. Believed in God.
3. “This Mountain”, Where they worshiped God.
 - a. From the dust of this Mountain God created Adam.”
 - b. “It was the Mountain where Noah landed.”
 - c. Was to them as sacred as Zion was to the Jews.

B. HER PROBLEM.

1. Why would Jesus, a Jew, speak to a Samaritan woman.
 2. How would or could He offer her a drink of water.
 - a. He didn’t have a bucket with which to draw.
 - b. The well was deep.
 - c. *She was completely limited to the physical aspects of the situation.
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WATER vs LIVING WATER

- A. WATER– TO SATISFY THIRST. NECESSARY TO LIFE.
 - 1. A Constant Need.
 - 2. The work necessary - going to and from the “deep well.”
 - B. JESUS OFFERED HER WATER TO DRINK....BUT----
 - 1. He had no means of drawing the water.
 - 2. The well was deep.
 - 3. She, in her mind could only conceive of literal water.
 - C. HER FIRST THOUGHTS OF HIS OFFER....
 - 1. Of water, one drink, and never have to drink again.
 - 2. No more walking to the well.
 - 3. No more carrying the heavy water pots.
 - 4. How much better this was going to make her life. (she wanted it)
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LIVING WATER

- A. AS WATER IS FOR THE BODY...LIVING WATER IS FOR THE SOUL!
 - 1. Could understand the need of water for life.
 - 2. Jesus uses this to show the needs of the soul. (Waters of life).
 - B. WE WANT WATER.
 - 1. When we are thirsty.
 - 2. When we see and feel our need.
 - 3. Too many do not feel the need for “Living Water”.
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WELLS OF SALVATION

- A. *“Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust and will not be afraid: for Jehovah, even Jehovah, is my strength and song; and he is become my salvation. Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.”* (Isaiah 12:2,3).
 - 1. The prophet spoke of wells of salvation.
 - 2. The N.T. reveals the “water of life.”
- B. CHRIST PROVIDES THE WATER OF LIFE.
 - 1. Come unto me and drink of the water of life. (John 7:37).
 - 2. The Lord gives living water. (John 4:10).
 - 3. He is the Water of Life.

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C. BLESSINGS OF THE GOSPEL ARE LIKE WATER.

1. They are refreshing.
 - a. Only water will revive vegetation from drouth.
 - b. The Gospel only will revive men spiritually. (Rom. 1:16).
 2. They have a purifying influence.
 - a. Nothing but the gospel will purify the soul. (I Pet. 1:22).
 - b. The gospel saves. (Mark 16:15,16).
 3. The Universal Necessity.
 - a. The Gospel is for all Nations. (Matt. 28:19).
 - b. For all that will believe. (Rom. 1:16).
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CONCLUSION

A. WHAT KIND OF WATER DO YOU DRINK?

1. Are you careful of the water you drink.
 - a. Will just any water do.
 - b. Would you check it and make sure it is pure?
2. Sign as you enter a city..."Water Supply Approved" .
 - a. Why do they put up these signs?
 - b. Because people are looking for good water.

B. MUST KNOW YOU ARE THIRSTY.

1. John 4:16-19. Jesus began to reveal her life. So she could see herself.
2. She could begin to see her need.
3. When we hear Jesus, - His Word, - The Bible, - We see our needs. Our Soul's Thirst.

C. HE HAS GIVEN US:

1. *"for the Lamb that is in the midst of the throne shall be their shepherd, and shall guide them unto fountains of water of life:"*(Rev. 7:17).
2. *"I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely."* (Rev. 21:6).
3. *"And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the lamb,....And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And he that heareth, let him say, Come. And he that is athirst, let him come: he that will, let him take the water of life freely."* (Rev. 22:1, 17). Santo

D. ARE YOU THIRSTY???

GOD IS THE SOURCE OF LIVING WATER. COME AND DRINK!