

Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

John 4



The Story

Jesus and His disciples were traveling to Galilee. They walked through Samaria to the town of Sychar. Jesus was tired and sat at the edge of Jacob's Well. The disciples went into the town to buy some food. A woman also came to the well to get water.

Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

The woman was surprised that Jesus would even talk to her. The Jews, which Jesus was, usually hated the Samaritan people and thought they were better.

"If you knew who I am, you would ask for living water," Jesus said to her.

"Sir, You need something to get water out of the well, for it is deep," she told Jesus.

"If you drink water from a well you will get thirsty again. But I can give you living water and you will never thirst," continued Jesus.

"Please give me some of that water," she begged. "It is hard work

carrying water every day." She didn't know that "living water" is belief in Jesus as Savior.

"Go and get your husband," Jesus commanded.

She answered, "I don't have a husband."

"You are right, you have had five husbands and now you are living with a man that is not your husband!" Jesus said.

"You must be a prophet because You know all I have done!" exclaimed the woman. "I know the Messiah is coming and He will tell us all things."

"I am the Messiah," Jesus said.

The woman was very excited and ran into the city. She said to her family and friends, "Come see a man that told me everything I have done. Is this not the Christ?"

The Samaritans heard Jesus and stayed two days. He preached and many more believed.

They said, "This is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

Jesus came to seek and to save all sinners, even the Samaritan woman and other Samaritans.

Jesus came to seek and to save all sinners, even me.

Activity One - Complete the CROSSWORD PUZZLE with the words from the Word Box.

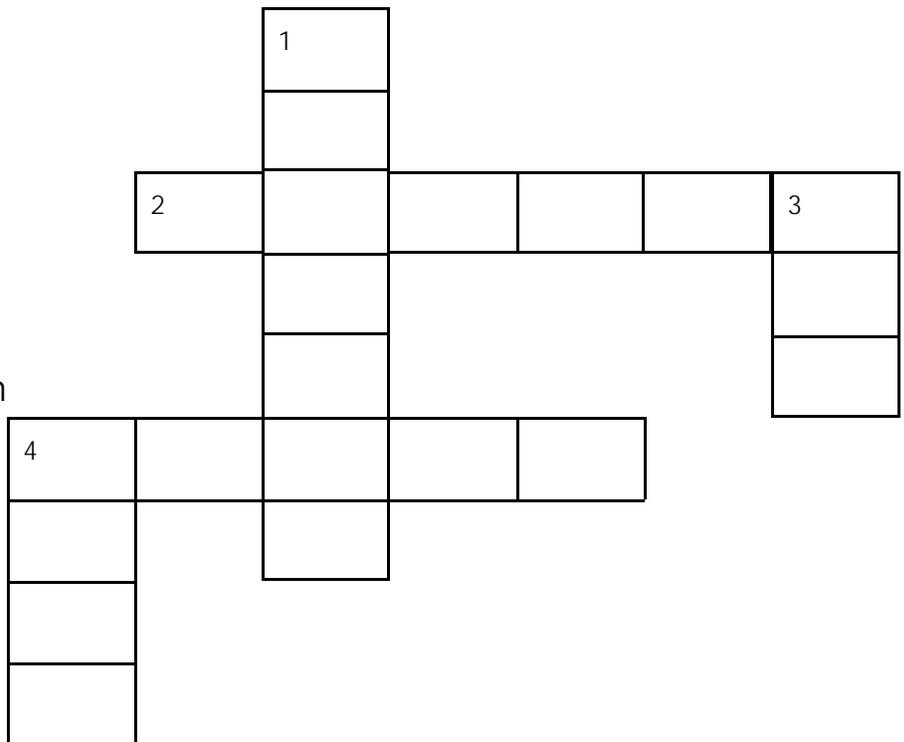
WELL	WATER	GOD	LIVING	THIRSTY
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Across

2. Jesus said He would give the woman _____ water.
 4. We need _____ to live.

Down

1. When you need a drink you are ____ .
 3. _____ our Savior wants all men to be saved. 1 Timothy 2:4
 4. A _____ is a hole in the ground from which to get water.



Activity Two - Cross out 2 letters, let the third one stand, then cross out 2 more and continue until you have completed the passage . The first three have been done for you.

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Luke 19:10 "E O R _____

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Activity Three - Match the correct letter to the answer.

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| 1. _____ Jesus was a ____. | A. Savior |
| 2. _____ The woman was a ____. | B. Samaritan |
| 3. _____ The woman knew she had ____. | C. Jew |
| 4. _____ She needed a ____. | D. Missionaries |
| 5. _____ Jesus gives us ____. | E. Sinned |
| 6. _____ We will want to be ____ to tell about Jesus and salvation. | F. Living Water or Faith |

Passage

1 Timothy 2:4 - God our Savior ... desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Hymn - TLH #277 v. 2

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream.
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus,

We do not always love our neighbors or tell them of You. Help us be more like You, loving all people. Help us be like the Samaritan woman, telling others of Your perfect life, death and resurrection. Thank You for loving and saving us. Amen