

The Woman at the Well – John 4: 6-42



What do we know about this woman from the Bible?

1. She was a Samaritan.
2. She recognized the social oddity of Jesus interacting with her at all. (v.9)
3. The woman did not have a good reputation. (v.16-18)
4. When she realized who Jesus claimed to be, she immediately left to tell the town about Him. (v. 28-30,39)
5. As a result of her belief in Jesus, many others believed as well. (v. 39-42)

What can we speculate about her?

1. She may not have been well liked by her own people because of her lifestyle.
2. She seemed to be looking for answers to life because she wanted the “water” Jesus offered. (v. 13-15)

Discussion Questions:

1. Why do you think the woman lied to Jesus when He asked about her husband?
2. If this woman had a questionable reputation in town, why do you think the town people listened to her?
3. We talked about a Samaritan leper who had heard of and been healed by Jesus. How far reaching could the woman at the well’s testimony have been?

What Lessons can we learn?

1. The woman was willing to learn. When she realized who Jesus was, she did something with it! (James 1:22)
2. The woman was not ashamed to share Jesus with anyone (Matthew 28:19-20)
3. Why is it sometimes hard for us to talk about Jesus with people we know already?