

Christians on Campus
John Bible Study
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John (3)

John 4:1-42

¹When therefore the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John ²(although Jesus Himself did not baptize, but rather His disciples), ³He left Judea and went away again into Galilee. ⁴And He had to pass through Samaria. ⁵So He came to a city of Samaria called Sychar, near the piece of land that Jacob gave to Joseph his son; ⁶and Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from the journey, sat thus by the well; it was about the sixth hour. ⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, Give Me something to drink. ⁸For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

⁹The Samaritan woman then said to Him, How is it that You, being a Jew, ask for a drink from me, who am a Samaritan woman? (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered and said to her, If you knew the gift of God and who it is who says to you, Give Me a drink, you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water. ¹¹The woman said to Him, Sir, You have no bucket, and the well is deep; where then do You get this living water? ¹²Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank of it himself, as well as his sons and his cattle? ¹³Jesus answered and said to her, Everyone who drinks of this water shall thirst again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall by no means thirst forever; but the water that I will give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into eternal life.

¹⁵The woman said to Him, Sir, give me this water so that I will not thirst nor come here to draw. ¹⁶He said to her, Go, call your husband and come here. ¹⁷The woman answered and said, I do not have a husband. Jesus said to her, You have well said, I do not have a husband, ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly.

¹⁹The woman said to Him, Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshipped in this mountain, yet you say that in Jerusalem is the place where men must worship. ²¹Jesus said to her, Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship that which you do not know; we worship that which we know, for salvation is of the Jews. ²³But an hour is coming, and it is now, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truthfulness, for the Father also seeks such to worship Him. ²⁴God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truthfulness.

²⁵The woman said to Him, I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when He comes, He will declare all things to us. ²⁶Jesus said to her, I, who speak to you, am He.

²⁷And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He was speaking with a woman; yet no one said, What are You seeking? or, Why are You speaking with her? ²⁸Then the woman left her waterpot and went away into the city, and said to the people, ²⁹Come, see a man who told me all that I have done. Is this not the Christ? ³⁰They went out of the city and came to Him. ³¹In the meantime, the disciples urged Him, saying, Rabbi, eat. ³²But He said to them, I have food to eat that you do not know about. ³³The disciples therefore said to one another, Has anyone brought Him anything to eat? ³⁴Jesus said to them, My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to finish His work. ³⁵Do you not say that there are yet four months and then the harvest comes? Behold, I tell you, Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are already white for harvest. ³⁶He who reaps receives wages and gathers fruit unto eternal life, in order that he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. ³⁷For in this the saying is true, One sows and another reaps. ³⁸I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor. ³⁹And many of the Samaritans from that city believed into Him because of the word of the woman who testified, He told me all that I have

done. ⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to Him, they asked Him to remain with them, and He remained there two days. ⁴¹And many more believed because of His word. ⁴²And they said to the woman, It is no longer because of your speaking that we believe, for we ourselves have heard and know that this One is truly the Savior of the world.

Discussion Questions:

1. Verses 13 and 14 contrast two kinds of water. Fill out this table to see the difference between these two waters. Do you have any experience of these two waters?

Verse	Source of water	Spiritual significance	Result of drinking that water
13			
14			

2. Verses 15-26 show us the way to take the living water. How can we take the living water, and how can our taking the living water be considered as true worship to God?
3. What did the woman do after she conversed with the Lord Jesus (vv. 27-42)? What is our spontaneous response after we have drunk of the living water?