

Woman at the Well

John 4:4-30
Based on NLT

Transition

As Jesus was traveling, he had to go through the region called Samaria. The descendants of Abraham did not like to associate with the Samaritans because they were of a mixed race who did not worship* in the same way.*

John 4:5-8

Eventually *Jesus* came to a Samaritan village,...near a well; and Jesus, tired from the long walk, sat wearily beside the well about noontime. Soon a Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Please give me a drink." He was alone at the time because his *closest followers** had gone into the village to buy some food.

John 4:9-15

The woman was surprised, *because descendants of Abraham* refuse to have anything to do with Samaritans. She said to Jesus, "You are a *descendant of Abraham*, and I am a Samaritan woman. Why are you asking me for a drink?" Jesus replied, "...People soon become thirsty again after drinking this water. But the water I give them takes away thirst altogether. It becomes *like a spring inside* them, giving them eternal life*/*real life which never ends.*" "Please, sir," the woman said, "give me some of that water! Then I'll never be thirsty again, and I won't have to come here to haul water."

John 4:16-21, 23-26

"Go and get your husband," Jesus told her. "I don't have a husband," the woman replied. Jesus said, "You're

right! You don't have a husband---...you have had five husbands, and you aren't even married to the man you're living with now." "Sir," the woman said, "you must be a *spokesman* from God*. So tell me, why is it that you *descendants of Abraham* insist that we worship in the wrong place? Jesus replied, "...The time is coming when it will no longer matter where you worship God...By the power of God's Spirit* people will worship God as he really is, offering him the true worship that he wants..." The woman said, "I know the *promised savior** will come...When he comes, he will explain everything to us." Then Jesus told her, "I am the *promised savior!*"

John 4:27-30

Just then *Jesus' closest followers* arrived. They were astonished to find him talking to a woman, but none of them asked him why he was doing it or what they had been discussing. The woman left her water jar beside the well and went back to the village and told everyone, "Come and meet a man who told me everything I ever did! Can this be the *promised savior?*" So the people came streaming from the village to see him.

John 4:39-43

Many Samaritans from the village believed in Jesus because the woman had said, "He told me everything I ever did!" When they came out to see him, they begged him to stay at their village. So he stayed for two days, long enough

for many of them to hear his message and believe. Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe because we have heard him ourselves, not just because of what you told us. He is indeed the Savior of the world." At the end of the two days' stay, Jesus went on *to another region*..

