

Water for the Thirsty

New Life – Part 1

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Luke 19:10 (ESV) For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Psalms 42:1 (ESV) As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God.

Jeremiah 2:13 (ESV) for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.

1. Jesus breaks _____

John 4:7 (ESV) A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

John 4:10 (ESV) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."

2. Jesus promises _____ life

John 4:13-14 (ESV) Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

John 4:15 (ESV) The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

3. Jesus shows _____ insight

John 4:16 (ESV) Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here."

John 4:18 (ESV) for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true."

John 4:19 (ESV) The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet."

4. Jesus overcomes _____

John 4:20 (ESV) Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship."

John 4:23-24 (ESV) But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

5. Jesus reveals His _____

John 4:25 (ESV) The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things."

John 4:26 (ESV) Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

John 4:35 (ESV) Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest.

Action Plan for This Week

Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading & prayer.
 Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

Invite a friend for our message series **New Life** next Sunday.

How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. What does it mean to be lost (Luke 19:10)? In what ways is Jesus' purpose in life and ours the same?

How is being thirsty for God demonstrated in life (Psalm 42:1)?

Describe the relationship between the two evils mentioned in Jeremiah 2:13. What kind of broken cisterns do people create today? Why?

1A. What barriers did Jesus break through in John 4:7?

1B. Why did Jesus not answer the woman's question (John 4:9-10)? How does Jesus turn the conversation from the physical to the spiritual?

1C. What two important topics does Jesus bring up in John 4:10? Why are these crucial in witnessing?

2A. What are the characteristics of the living water that Jesus offers (John 4:13-14)? What is the living water (John 7:37-39)?

2B. How have Jesus' words impacted the woman (John 4:15)?

2C. What must believers do to see the living water of the Spirit flow from their lives (John 7:39, Luke 11:13, Acts 1:5, 8, 4:31)?

3A. Why did Jesus shift gears and ask about the woman's husband (John 4:16)?

3B. What spiritual gift was Jesus operating in (John 4:17-18, 1 Corinthians 12:8-10)?

3C. How did Jesus' supernatural insight change the woman's perception of Him (John 4:19)? Why are spiritual gifts important in witnessing?

4A. Why did the woman ask this question (John 4:20)?

4B. How did Jesus defuse the question and bring back the focus to the important spiritual truths (John 4:21-24)?

4C. What does it mean to worship God in Spirit and truth (John 4:24)?

5A. Why is the identity of Jesus the most important question (John 4:25-26)?

5B. How did Jesus prove to the disciples that the fields were white for harvest (John 4:35)? Is St. Louis white for harvest? Why or why not? How can we find out?