

## DAY 3



### Jesus and The Woman at the Well John 4:4-30 I am invited so I'm never alone!

**Read: John 4:4-30**

#### Jesus in Samaria

<sup>4</sup> Jesus had to go through Samaria. <sup>5</sup> He came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, which was near the land Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there. Jesus was tired from his journey, so he sat down at the well. It was about noon. <sup>7</sup> A Samaritan woman came to the well to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me some water to drink." <sup>8</sup> His disciples had gone into the city to buy him some food. <sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman asked, "Why do you, a Jewish man, ask for something to drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" (Jews and Samaritans didn't associate with each other.) <sup>10</sup> Jesus responded, "If you recognized God's gift and who is saying to you, 'Give me some water to drink,' you would be asking him and he would give you living water." <sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, you don't have a bucket and the well is deep. Where would you get this living water?" <sup>12</sup> You aren't greater than our father Jacob, are you? He gave this well to us, and he drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup> Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks from the water that I will give will never be thirsty again. The water that I give will become in those who drink it a spring of water that bubbles up into eternal life." <sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will never be thirsty and will never need to come here to draw water!" <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Go, get your husband, and come back here." <sup>17</sup> The woman replied, "I don't have a husband. "You are right to say, 'I don't have a husband,'" Jesus answered. <sup>18</sup> "You've had five husbands, and the man you are with now isn't your husband. You've spoken the truth." <sup>19</sup> The woman said, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup> Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you and your people say that it is necessary to worship in Jerusalem." <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the time is coming when you and your people will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup> You and your people worship what you don't know; we worship what we know because salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> But the time is coming—and is here!—when true worshippers will worship in spirit and truth. The Father looks for those who worship him this way. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and it is necessary to worship God in spirit and truth." <sup>25</sup> The woman said, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one who is called the Christ. When he comes, he will teach everything to us." <sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, "I Am—the one who speaks with you." <sup>27</sup> Just then, Jesus'

disciples arrived and were shocked that he was talking with a woman. But no one asked, “What do you want?” or “Why are you talking with her?” <sup>28</sup> The woman put down her water jar and went into the city. She said to the people, <sup>29</sup> “Come and see a man who has told me everything I’ve done! Could this man be the Christ?” <sup>30</sup> They left the city and were on their way to see Jesus.

## Reflect:

Today’s Bible story does not take place on a beach, but it does involve water and it was probably a very warm day. In Bible times women would visit the well to get water at the beginning or end of the day when it was a bit cooler out. This was also an opportunity to connect with their friends. So, to see a woman come all by herself during the day was definitely a sign of someone who was all alone. In today’s world it doesn’t take much to find someone who feels like an outsider but with Jesus we can be reminded that we are never alone. Jesus took the time to meet up with this woman to share God’s love with her and remind her that she was invited to the party just like everyone else.

## Act:

Say this prayer together as a family: Dear Jesus, You are so amazing and wonderful! Thank you for loving me so that I’m never alone. Help me to be kind and love others like you love me. When someone needs a friend or feels alone, please give me the opportunity to be a friend to them. Amen

## Fun Things to Do:

**#1** Have members of your family pair up so that no one is alone and go on a scavenger hunt. See if you can find the following or come up with your own ideas!

- Something yellow
- Something with wheels
- A snack
- A ball
- A book with a boat picture
- Something blue
- An orange crayon
- Something beautiful

**#2** Find books about friendship to read together as a family this week. Here are some suggestions: *A Friend Like You* by Frank Murphy; *Circles All Around Us* by Brad Montague; *My Last Best Friend* by Julie Bowe; *Kelly the Pink Flamingo* [thekellyway.org](http://thekellyway.org)

## Memory Verse



**“So welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God’s glory.”  
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