Numbers 21:17-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Gather the people together and I will give them water." Then Israel sang this song: "Spring up, O well! Sing about it, about the well that the princes dug..."

^{*}Immediately after the Bronze Serpent story

John 4:1-3

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), he left Judea and departed again for Galilee.

Jesus in John's Gospel

- 1 greater than John the Baptist
- 2 greater than purification water
- 2 greater than the temple
- 3 greater than the teachers
- 4 greater than patriarchs & prophets

He had to pass through Samaria. So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.

John 4:4-5



John 4:6

Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour [probably Noon].

John 4:7-8

A woman from Samaria came to draw water. [presumably alone, in middle of day] Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.)

John 4:9

The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings [don't share dishes or utensils] with Samaritans.

**See 2 Kings 17

The Woman at the Well

- Outsider, but theological and bold
- Sinful, but also shamed and hurt
- Tired and Thirsty

"Come to me all who are weary and heavy burdened, and I will give you rest."

- Matthew 11:28

John 4:10

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."

John 4:11-12

The woman said, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock."

John 4:13-14

Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water 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."

1. The Water God Provides

- Internal and Never Ending
- Gift of Eternal Life through the Spirit

"My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water." - Jere 2:13

Exodus 17:6

I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink."

"The rock was Christ." - 1 Cor. 10:4

Numbers 24:5-7

"How beautiful are your tents, Jacob, your dwelling places, Israel! Like valleys they spread out, like gardens beside a river, like aloes planted by the Lord, like cedars beside the waters. Water will flow from their buckets; their seed will have abundant water."

Psalm 42:1

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

Isaiah 12:2-3

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation. With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Isaiah 49:10

They will neither hunger nor thirst, nor will the desert heat or the sun beat down on them. He who has compassion on them will guide them and lead them beside springs of water.

Isaiah 55:1-2

Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy?

Ezekiel 47:1

He brought me back to the door of the temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the temple.

On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem. - Zechariah 14:8

Revelation 21:6

It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End.

To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.

Revelation 22:1-2

The angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, ... And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

John 4:15-17a

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." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband."

John 4:17b-18

Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true."

John 4:19-20

The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet.

Our fathers worshiped on this mountain [Gerizim], but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship."

John 4:21-22

Jesus said, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.

John 4:23-24

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."

John 4:25-26

The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ ['Taheb' for her]). When he comes, he will tell us all things."

Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he." [I AM the one speaking to you]

*The Woman's Response

Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you seek?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar and went away into town. - Jn 4:27-28a

2. The Worship God Desires

- In Spirit and Truth
 - Internally Transformed by the Spirit
 - Centered on the Truth of Jesus
- *How we are saved is how we worship and grow!

Colossians 3:15

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

Colossians 3:16

Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.