

## Episode #1-19 - The Woman at the Well

I. The purpose of the gospel of John is to produce believers in the fact that Jesus is the Christ, the One anointed by God to be the Savior of the world, and that Jesus is the Son of God, God represented in human form.

II. The woman at the well is our next witness to the truths that John is teaching.

II. John 4:1-6 The journey to Samaria.

- A. Verse 1. The Lord may have done this to avoid conflict. Perhaps this was all they needed to know of Him for now?
- B. Verse 2. Perhaps He did not to avoid thinking those baptized by Christ were superior.
- C. Verse 3. Judea is the southern part of Israel, Galilee the northern.
- D. Verse 4. Israelites considered Samaritans illegitimate Israelites since they were half Jewish. They had their own, mixed religion. Israelites would go around Samaria.
- E. Verse 5. Many such important Bible events happened in this area.
- F. Verse 6. Made by Jacob. The Lord tired. Sixth hour = noon.

III. John 4:7-26. The Lord and the woman.

- A. Verse 7. Water was precious. Women would fetch at sunrise or sunset. This woman must have been an outcast to be fetching at noon when no other women were there.
- B. Verse 8. His usual servants gone, He turns to the woman. (His disciples had gone to get food.)
- C. Verse 9. Avoid Samaritans. Also rabbis usually wouldn't talk to women. "Jew" and "Jews" used here like we use them—only place in John.
- D. Verse 10. Jeremiah 2:13 and 17:13. Makes him the LORD of the Old Testament! She did not know Jeremiah, so she didn't know what He meant.
- E. Verse 11. She mistakes His meaning. Living water means running water.
- F. Verse 12. Greeks answered rhetorical questions—she thinks no. Probably despising Him. She really didn't know Who talked with her!
- G. Verses 13-14. A fountain inside you, causing you to never thirst again! Not to quench physical but spiritual thirst, resulting in eonian life.
- H. Verse 15. This sounds like a good deal to her! But she thinks of physical thirst

IV. Conclusion. The woman at the well learned the truth that Jesus is the Messiah, the Savior. We can learn from the testimony of her faith. Do we know and believe this?