

## The Woman at the Well

*John 4:1-42*

During His brief earthly ministry,  
Jesus had personal conversations with all kinds of people.  
In John 3, we read His conversation with Nicodemus,  
a Jewish leader and teacher.  
Jesus told him that the Spirit of God must come into us like  
a new birth, a spiritual birth from above.

In John 4, Jesus strikes up a conversation with a person on  
the opposite end of their social scale:  
a Samaritan woman who had had five husbands and  
was now living with a different man.  
She had come to the community well to draw water,  
so He draws her in by asking for a drink.  
But then He flips the relationship and offers her a drink.  
He says the water He offers is free for the asking.  
He says that, unlike the well water she is drawing,  
His water is living water.  
It is completely, eternally satisfying.  
In fact, it springs up within us, bringing everlasting life.

When she raises up the “worship wars” controversy of her day,  
Jesus says that this living water, this Spirit,  
can connect her directly to the Father,  
spirit to Spirit.  
She can truly worship Him  
any time and any place.

Not only does she believe Him,  
but she eagerly begins to tell everyone.  
And what’s more, Jesus urges us to join her.  
The harvest is not restricted to some future time.  
The harvest is ready now, and  
reapers are already receiving rich wages.  
Christ has come – He is right here, right now – and  
He is offering everyone the water of life –  
His Spirit and  
His everlasting life.  
Spread the word!

**Hymn: [The Woman at the Well](#)**