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### PRAYER

God, we thank you that you meet us! Despite our brokenness, fears, and failures, you still meet us in our circumstances and love us unconditionally. We love you, Jesus. Amen!

### WARM UP

(OPTIONAL)

What was the most precious thing you've ever broken? What happened?

### NOTES/ PRAYER LIST



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## WORD

<sup>7</sup>A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."  
<sup>8</sup>(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>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 with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>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."  
<sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>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." <sup>15</sup>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."

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship."  
<sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."  
<sup>25</sup>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." <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

<sup>27</sup>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?"  
<sup>28</sup>So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people,  
<sup>29</sup>"Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?"  
<sup>30</sup>They went out of the town and were coming to him.

<sup>31</sup>Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." <sup>32</sup>But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." <sup>33</sup>So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him something to eat?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work."

[John 4:7-34](#) (ESV)

## GUIDE QUESTIONS

(NUMBERED ACCORDING TO LEVEL OF DEPTH AND READINESS TO SHARE)

1. On a scale from 1-10 (1 = void of compassion, 10 = overflowing with compassion), how would you rate your compassion towards those you don't know of other backgrounds (i.e. race, beliefs, age, political views)? Why have you rated yourself this way?
2. When Jesus is talking about the water of life, what do you think he is talking about? Have you ever experienced this water?
3. This woman from Samaria would have been considered an outcast to the Jews on three levels: firstly, they were averse to the Samaritans as an ethnicity. Secondly, she was a woman. Thirdly, she would fetch water from the well at a time when women were traditionally not to fetch water. What is your attitude towards those that society views as outcasts, and what action have you taken or should you take in light of your attitude?
4. When this woman experienced Jesus, she radically ran and told everyone in town about him, and many came out to pursue him as a result. If you are a Christian, what is the most radical thing that God has inspired you to do? If you are not yet, would you like to experience Jesus? If so, can we pray for you?
5. What does your heart thirst for in seeking fulfilment in life? Has your thirst for fulfilment in life been quenched? Why or why not?