

## The Woman at the Well (John 4)

It was a hot time of the day when YAHSHUA met the Samaritan woman and asked her for water. He, in His humanity, felt thirsty as we all do. Here the Creator found Himself in need of the substance of life- water. The Samaritan woman however had nothing to draw the water with to satisfy the request, "Give Me a drink". YAHSHUA then used the opportunity to reveal Himself to her and from that moment on, the subject changed from regular water to living water. He said to her, "If you had known and had recognized God's gift and Who this is that is saying to you, Give me a drink, you would have asked Him and He would have given you living water". She said, I know that Messiah is coming; He is called the Christ, and when He arrives He will tell us everything we need to know and make it clear to us (vs. 25). That was the moment YAHSHUA declared Who He was. She wasted no time to proclaim such truth to her people. It is interesting that YAHSHUA revealed Himself to a Samaritan woman outside the sphere of those who were the chosen people; although because she was part Jew. She had knowledge of the coming Messiah and was waiting for Him. God did not choose the educated, the influential person in society, but He chose a woman, who was a sinner but ready to accept the message. YAHSHUA said that He had come for the poor and associated himself well with them. He chose twelve apostles to be His companions, who were not educated, and not orthodox Jews with all their education. He chose those whom He could teach and follow His teachings.

The Samaritan woman was chosen to be the herald to her nation with the message of salvation. Today many of us stand at the well of Living water without knowing about the One Who can satisfy our spiritual needs; instead many of us find temporal pleasures in the things that the world offers in alcohol and drugs. And because they never satisfy they continue on that path until life is no more and eternity meets them with the reality of hell. YAHSHUA'S Holy Spirit is the source of the living water; our soul needs to be satisfied in Him. He is always calling us to receive this living water that leads us to eternal life with Him. YAHSHUA said, But whoever takes the drink of the water that I will give him shall never, no never be thirsty anymore; but the water that I give him shall become a spring of water welling up within him into eternal life (John 4:14). The woman desired such water, not understanding the spiritual meaning of it; however her heart was ready to receive what Messiah had to offer. For the living water will never cease to satisfy our spiritual thirst. This is a precious gift given to those of us who will receive it.

The world is a desert, and never able to satisfy the spiritual thirst of man; it only offers temptations with eternal consequences. Many are deceived with its attractions. The Samaritan woman walked the desert, thirsty for many years. But when she met the source of living water she accepted and passed it on to others, and salvation reached them. YAHSHUA walked through a hard desert with all kinds of temptations. Satan came to see Him hoping He would fall, so that He would never fulfill the purpose for which He came to the world. And at the "desert" of Gethsemane Garden he again came to destroy God's plan for the salvation of men. YAHSHUA has given us power to overcome the devil and be victorious over temptations. The living water the Samaritan woman received was the source of eternal life and victory for her and for those who received it. She was accomplishing the command of YAHSHUA before He left:

Go and tell the good news to all nations. I wonder when was the last time that we did. We are so very comfortable with others of the same faith, with our church, Sunday after Sunday we go and leave the church without the thought of those perishing in the sea of alcohol and drugs. They smell physically and our distance from them remains, until eternity takes them to hell.

When we find our spiritual treasure in our Savior, YAHSHUA, we must be like rivers from where running waters feed other sources. But many of us Christians are like reservoirs, holding the blessing of salvation just for self, believing that their behavior is enough to obey the command of go and tell.

When Israel wandered through the desert, water was offered them from the Rock, who was YAHSHUA. Water is the thing of life; we cannot live without it physically, neither spiritually. Water also cleanses and purifies. Spiritually it does through the Holy Spirit of God; it is done through sanctification; so that the believer is molded to be more like YAHSHUA. The Holy Spirit is preparing us to meet YAHSHUA at the end of life or by the rapture.

When Peter rejected having his feet washed, he then lost his position to be a disciple of YAHSHUA until he agreed to have Him wash his feet; until he surrendered to YAHSHUA. Many Christians are rejecting the work of the Holy Spirit by living a worldly life. It will take repentance and surrender for them to return to fellowship with God. God's fountain of living water will never go dry; it will never be denied to those who truly are spiritually thirsty. His love embraces and welcomes all those who will accept His Son, like the Samaritan's experience. Many are looking for water in the wrong place, and all they get is eternal condemnation. YAHSHUA said, Come unto Me and I will give living water; water that transforms; water that gives a position with Him. Nothing is impossible with God; there is nothing hard for Him. All we have to do is to come to Him with a broken and contrite spirit. The sacrifice of YAHSHUA on the cross is powerful enough to forgive any sin. There is nothing too hard that His blood will not forgive, only the blasphemy of His Spirit. The world is immersed in alcohol and drugs because it has rejected the fountain of living water. People are living in a state of hopelessness and despair because their eternity is eternal death.

Look at YAHSHUA and receive life, forgiveness of your sins and eternity with Him. Only He is the way the truth and the life. Find your way to Him and be bathed in His love which was shed on the cross for you.