SERIES: Gospel of John Are You Thirsty?

John 4:1-15

Two Dehydrated Sinners and The Thirst-Quenching Savior of the World

- Life without God leaves us spiritually <u>dry</u>. (Ecclesiastes 2:10-11)
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Jesus Is On a Mission to Save Sinners (John 4:1-6)

- Jesus does not leave Judea out of fear of the Pharisees.
 - Jesus is not **controlled** by his circumstances.
 - Jesus is in **<u>charge</u>** of the circumstances.
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Jesus Exposes Our Spiritual Thirst (John 4:7-10)

- Jesus starts a spiritual conversation by asking the woman for a drink.
- Jesus promises lasting satisfaction by giving living water.
 - It is the **free** gift of God. (Isaiah 55:1-3)
 - It is living water.
 - If you drink it, you will never thirst again. It is always there to satisfy when your soul is thirsty.
 - This water becomes a **<u>spring</u>**—a well of water.
 - This water gives eternal life. (Revelation 22:17)

Jesus is the Superior Living Water (John 4:11-15)

- Only Jesus can **<u>satisfy</u>** our thirst for God.
- Jesus' fountain is **superior** to Jacob's well.
- Jesus' superiority is our **salvation**.

A Prayer for a Thirsty Heart: Go to the W.E.L.L.

- W- Receive Christ's work on the cross.
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