

What Happens after the Well

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John 4:27–42

NOTE: As a guide, use these questions to help with group and family discussion, or for personal reflection. Not all questions are needed. Select the ones that will best serve your group as you grow in Christ together through His Word. *Soli Deo Gloria*.

Ice Breaker

What is something you have left behind in life that you don't regret? A style of dress, a habit, a job?

Understanding the Text in Context

To review the first part of the story, read John 4:1-26 together.

Now read the rest of the story (verses 27-42). Briefly discuss some of the misunderstandings and the moments of clarity in this story.

Connecting to Jesus and His Gospel

For the women at the well, how does her basic yet true level of understanding of Jesus propel her actions to go and tell others? Note also Deuteronomy 18:18 and the people's expectation of God providing a special prophet. What do the expectations and the woman's realization reveal about the power of the Gospel?

Why is it significant that Jesus pursues someone like the woman at the well? What does this tell us about who the Gospel is for?

Living Out the Truth

Read Matthew 28:16-20. How does the story of the Samaritan woman foreshadow the Great Commission given by Jesus in Matthew 28?

In sharing your story with others of how Jesus has worked in your life, how does 1 Corinthians 3:6-9 give you comfort? Evangelism involves both “sowing” and “reaping” the harvest. Pray for the eyes to see what part you can play in others’ lives.

Read Revelation 12:11 and John 4:39. How do these verses show the power of our testimonies? Do you know your testimony? What areas are you uniquely planted in to share your testimony? Who do you know who needs a simple invitation: come and see Jesus? Pray for that person together.

Parenting Moment and Family Focus

Take a moment to ask your family: *What is most important in life?* As everyone shares, remind one another that when Jesus is our priority, our lives begin to center around Him and His glory.

Then ask: *What is one area of our lives where Jesus may not be the priority right now?* Talk together about how you can make Him first in that area this week.

Close by thanking God together for what He is going to do as you seek Him first.

Further Study

Some articles to encourage your evangelism:

- [Evangelize Like You're a Sinner](#)
- [The Woman at the Well](#) (with some cultural background)
- [5 Common Evangelism Excuses and 1 Excuse-Exploding Truth](#)
- [Learning Evangelism from G. K. Chesterton and C. S. Lewis](#)

Looking ahead to next week’s Sermon and Text: Read the three sections in the Scripture Journals for John 4:43-54: “Believe It,” “By His Word,” and “Signs and Wonders.”