## **GIVE ME this WATER**

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Main Scripture: John 4: 1-27; Isaiah 12:1-3; John 7:37-39

**Supporting Scriptures:** John 3: 1-17; John 1: 4; Psalm 36:5-9; (Matthew 12: 6; Matthew 12: 41 -42; John 8:53); Psalm 42:1; James 1: 21; James 1: 21; Proverbs 28:13; 1 John 1:19; Job 10:14; Matthew 11: 28-30

## Notes:

Nicodemus wanted to find out who Jesus is but Jesus did not reveal his identity to Nicodemus he told him that unless he was born again he can't see the kingdom of God.

The Jews were taught to avoid the Samaritans in racial prejudice. Many times they would take a longer route to avoid having any interactions with the Samaritans. But Jesus purposed in his heart - I have to go through Samaria. Jesus knew there is a purpose to be fulfilled so he went through Samaria and in the village of Sicar at Jacobs well. An appointment with purpose - Jesus the fountain of living water sat at the well where the Samaritan woman would be.

Jesus is present waiting on us there is never a moment when he is not there. He fills the universe and He is interested in each of us. It may not be a well he is sitting beside but he is waiting, positioning himself so you have to encounter him. He uses trouble trials and disappointments as opportunities to have an encounter with us. It's in the storm we recognize that Jesus was waiting on us.

He is the fountain of living water and he is asking for a drink.

Every act of God is an act of purpose. He came into this work to touch the lives of broken people. Ministry comes from a tender heart and must be handled with grace. One must be gentle when handling broken people.

Someone may be saying you don't understand how broken I am and that my life is a filthy mess. There are others in society that will have nothing to do with me. But Jesus wants to have something from you.

Yes he understands that you may be leperous or have a terminal illness and maybe your last breath but he wants something to do with you

Yes, He knows you lost your sense of purpose but he is asking for something to drink.

If you knew who Jesus is you would ask and he would give you living water. If you only knew the gift of God - you would ask and you would receive living water.

Jesus is dealing with the spiritual but she is trapped in the physical. He is offering water she never had but she is thinking of water from a physical well.

If any man thirst let him come to me and drink out of his belly will flow rivers of living water | for you oh lord are the fountain of Life.

What is the gift of God? - John 3:15-16 - Jesus is the gift of God to the world.

Have you asked for this living water? Have you laid claim on the gift he has for you?

Living water is given by asking for it.

Samaritan woman is asking Jesus if he knows that this well is old and still springing up but he is claiming to be greater than Jacob who gave them this well many many years ago.

She has had many occasions to drink Jacobs water but you are still thirsty.

You will never thirsty when you drink from Jesus because it becomes a fresh well-giving life. Jesus is taking her from the physical to the spiritual because his water will give eternal life.

Jesus in his encounter with various peoples who question his greatness - (Matthew 12: 6; Matthew 12: 41-42; John 8:53)

Living water is what every individual is searching for. It is the only gift that can quench the thirsty soul

we seek out things in life that may convince us of our purpose in life but there is still an emptiness within. Seeking the purpose and only discovers loneliness and emptiness.

Everything in this world is stagnant - everything is tainted with Sin - it doesn't matter how you feel for a moment it can't give you joy from the inside.

God is taking her out of the physical to try to let her understand what life is about. We want a relationship with Jesus but we want to still drink from the stagnant well.

John 4:15"Please, sir," the woman said, "give me this water! (GOOD!)Then I'll never be thirsty again, and I won't have to come here to get water." (Still trapped in the physical realm)

John 4:16

In her respect for this Jew Sitting on the well, she referred to him as "Sir" But Jesus sees the brokenness of the woman but she must be able to handle the living water. So Jesus said go and get your husband and she shut down

For the request for living, water one has to acknowledge who they are. Some want living water in the state they are in but Jesus is saying I can give you living water but you have to be prepared to give up and face the truth of your life. This water can make you into a new person but you have to give up.

Perhaps for you calling the husband isn't the issue but God knows the sin that is preventing you from tasting the living water. One must confess their sins and renounce them for you to have a taste of living water

God knows everything! He takes note of every man's sin in this world.

Sin is a trap it weighs us down and it will allow you to feel comfortable in religion and not come to the truth of Jesus Christ. One will argue about religion but avoid the purpose for which Jesus came. This world knows very little about the worship of Jesus. Jesus is the one who knows everything about worship.

Nicodemus ask who Jesus was and Jesus said you must be born again. Jesus made an appointment with a broken woman who was divorced 5 times. Can you imagine how she felt about herself? Can you imagine how she is driven and found comfort in sin with a man who was not her own? Many of us don't mind having a conversation with Jesus but we find comfort in sin. Jesus is asking each of us to deal with the sin condition.

She was just told of the condition in her life and she could have responded in anger but she ran to her village and said come see a man. After hearing that Jesus said he was the messiah. He disclosed himself to the woman as the fountain of living water - this woman found the answer to the issue and went back to the village with the answer.

When the light turns on on our brokenness it will show up the sin condition what you need to do is repent and run to the light. Because this light comes to heal and remove the darkness in our life.

There are thirsty folks all over this world but the living water is coming to sit on your condition to give you living water that if you drink you will not thirst again. You cant have it on your own terms you must give up something to get a taste.

Jesus came down from heaven and sent his disciples away because he had a tender issue. Jesus is en route to your house as he did with Zachceous. He came to those who can't see he is coming to give them sight. Jesus said he is coming down to your street he is en route to your house. He is coming to heal you and make you whole and give you a drink. He recognizes you have been trapped in a cycle but he is coming to break the cycle.

The Father is looking for those who will worship him in spirit and in truth.

Get the sense of purpose he has for broken people. Sometimes church folks want to do something contrary to the purpose of Jesus but Jesus came to heal the brokenness of people.

Wake up and see the brokenness of society. There is purpose - come and drink of Him if you drink you will never thirst again. What are you prepared to give up to receive the living water. Jesus comes to heal you and deliver you but you must get rid of the sin in your life. This living water will be in you a well of living water springing up to eternal life.

ASK and you will receive. don't sit back without the Holy ghost.

Open your mouth and confess He is Lord. A lot of folks are hungry and waiting for the revelation of Jesus Christ.

If you repent and ask of Him he will fill you with the Holy ghost.

He filled me before I was baptized and I went to church weeping needing a change and I felt the presence of the Lord and I Said fill me with the holy ghost before I get baptized because I don't trust myself to keep my I went back to the alter three days later and I was saying Jesus Jesus and my pastor said open your mouth and focus your mind on Jesus and I began to think on him and worship him like the woman that fell at the feet of Jesus and the next thing I knew I was speaking in tongues God filled me with the power of the Holy ghost. You don't need a message to make you happy a motivational message that keeps you in a trap of happy today sorrow tomorrow - Jesus comes to lose you from that cycle. The gift of God is great to translate you from darkness to light.

Lord touch me! Open your mouth and confess your sin that will take you to hell run to the light. Run out of the bed of adultery. This life will take you higher than drugs. Life is in Jesus. You cant go back to the bed of fornication or adultery He is at your address his love his mercy are everlasting. He comes to you because he loves you.

Prayers for Sis. Pamela, Bro. Paul, Sis. Otti, Bro. Glenroy, Bro. Zachary, Sis. Tamia, Sis. Marcia, Ashley in North Bay to receive the Holy ghost.

Yes, Lord! Receive the gift of the Holy Ghost!

You won't leave here as you came in Jesus' Name.

I want to fall in line with Purpose I want to be a vessel of the Lord to be used of Him.