



Jesus and the Woman at the Well

Lesson Aim: To tell others about Jesus.

THE WORSHIP

Who God is: The King Who Serves

THE WORD

Bible Story: John 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42

What He has done: Jesus spoke to the woman at the well.

THE WAY

Whisper Verse: "We believe."

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE

"How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ?" Ephesians 3:18

"His love endures forever." Psalm 100:5

Unit 2: The King Who Serves			
	Bible Story	What He Has Done	Lesson Aim
7	Jesus Teaches: Showing Mercy, Matthew 5:1-2, 7	Jesus taught the crowd to forgive (show mercy).	To know we are blessed when we show mercy by forgiving others.
8	Jesus and Nicodemus, John 3:1-5, 16	Jesus teaches Nicodemus about salvation.	To know God loves the world.
9	Jesus and the Woman at the Well, John 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42	Jesus spoke to the woman at the well.	To tell others about Jesus.
10	Jesus with Mary and Martha, Luke 10:38-42	Jesus encouraged Martha to spend time with Him.	To learn how to spend time with Jesus.
11	Jesus and Zacchaeus, Luke 19:1-10	Jesus came to seek Zacchaeus.	To know Jesus came for you.

TEACHER'S ENCOURAGEMENT

This week, read Revelation 22:1-6. Please join us in praying, "Thank You, Lord, for coming to all people and meeting us wherever we are with the living water of eternal life. Let us be Your witnesses. Amen."



**THE WORSHIP
THE WORD &
THE WAY**

Segment	Minutes	Activity	Supplies
THE WELCOME	Up to 15	Treasure Chest	Treasure chest, stamp or sticker of a happy face
		Whisper Verse	Sign language for "We believe."
THE WORSHIP	Up to 20	Worship Sheet music and recordings for Bible Memory Verse Songs available at ResourceWell.org.	Unit 2 Bible Memory Verse Song: "How Wide?" Other Bible Memory Verse Song Suggestions: "Be Still and Know" "Everyone Who Calls" "Guide Me" "His One and Only Son" "I Will Listen to the Lord" "It's Praise Time!" "Additional Hymn Suggestions: "Oh, How I Love Jesus" "Jesus Loves the Little Children" Additional Song Collection Suggestions: Cedarмонт Toddler Bible Songs The Ultimate Bible Song Collection for Kids Vol. 1
		Offering	Baskets
		Worship Illustration	<i>The Adventures of Delbert and Lello</i> puppet script or storybook: Kings & Kingdoms Unit 2, Lesson 9
THE WORD	Up to 10	Watch the Word: John 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42	Teacher's Bible with bookmark at John 4:30 Visual: Jar or pitcher of water Optional: "Woman at the Well" craft
THE WAY	Up to 25	Craft: Woman at the Well	Sturdy tan and white paper, paper cups, tape, craft sticks, markers or crayons
		Game: Come, See Jesus	None
		Game: We Believe	Ball
		Snack: Crackers and Well Water	Crackers, water in a bowl with a big spoon or scoop
	Circle of Prayer	None	
Final 5	Final Five	Ponder, Pray & Play: Unit 2, Lesson 9 Color This Story: "Jesus and the Woman at the Well"	
GOT TIME?	Up to 10	Say & Do: John 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42	None
	Up to 10	Game: Circle of Love	None
	Up to 10	Game: How Big is Jesus' Love?	One large sheet, cloth, or tarp
	Up to 10	Story Time	Any story about telling others about Jesus

RESOURCES: Supplemental materials are available at ResourceWell.org.



We believe

THE WELCOME

Welcome each child as they arrive. **Hello _____.** I'm glad you are here! **Come open the Treasure Chest to find today's treasure.** Child unlocks the Treasure Chest to receive a stamp or sticker of a happy face. **Let this stamp (or sticker) of a happy face remind you the woman at the well was very happy when she met Jesus. The woman was so happy, she took everyone in her town to see Jesus at the well. When they saw and heard Jesus, many of them said, "We believe." Today's Whisper Verse is "We believe."** Teach the Whisper Verse in spoken language and in sign language below. **We call it the Whisper Verse so you can whisper it to others.***

SIGN LANGUAGE: "We believe."

(For visual demonstrations, see www.signingsavvy.com.)

Each time we say today's Whisper Verse, let's say it with two hand motions:

- "We"** Right index finger points down at the ground with hand beginning at the right shoulder and moving around the front of the chest in a half circle motion to the left shoulder.
- "believe."** Right index finger points to right side of forehead. Then, clasp both hands together in front of the chest.

Allow children to enjoy free play until everyone has arrived. **Let's sing the "Clean Up Song" as we put toys away before Praise Time.** Praise any child who helps. Allow several minutes for clean up.

**"Clean Up Song": Clean up! Clean up! Everybody, everywhere!
Clean up! Clean up! Everybody do your share!**

Gather and seat children in Praise Time area.

***Today's Whisper Verse:** "We believe," John 6:69a. The Whisper Verse is a tool to help the children learn a major point in the lesson. It is coupled with sign language or hand motions as a memory aid. The verse is not necessarily chosen from today's Bible story.



Jesus as the King who serves

THE WORSHIP

Teacher Tip: To help children identify time set aside for worship, designate a special corner or area for singing, collecting offering, and watching the worship illustration. Play "It's Praise Time!" as children move to that designated area.



It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the King who serves. That means He gives us what we need. Jesus gives life forever with God to all who believe in Him. In today's Bible story, Jesus told the woman at the well about that kind of life. Jesus gives us something else that lasts forever. It is wide. (All spread arms.) **It is long.** (All reach arms forward.) **It is high.** (All reach arms high.) **It is deep.** (All squat down low.) **Our Bible Memory Verse says it endures forever. That means it will always be there. Who knows what is wide, long, high, and deep? (Jesus' love.) Let's do the motions as we sing our Bible Memory Verse Song.** Sing: "How Wide?" with the motions.



Let's visit with our friends Delbert and Lello to see if they have heard about the woman who talked with Jesus at the well. Perform *The Adventures of Delbert and Lello* puppet script or read the storybook: Kings & Kingdoms Unit 2, Lesson 9.



Jesus came to give life forever with God to anyone who would believe in Him. The woman at the well told everyone about Jesus. Many of the people said, "We believe." Review Whisper Verse together: "We believe." Include sign language.

One way to show Jesus we believe in Him is by giving our money to the church. The money we give will help people all over the world believe in Him. Let's give our offering now. Play: "Oh, How I Love Jesus" as background music while collecting the offering.

As we tell everyone about Jesus, we hope many will one day say, "We believe." Sing: "Everyone Who Calls."

Children all over the world have said "We believe" in Jesus as Lord. He loves each one of them. Sing: "Jesus Loves the Little Children."



Jesus talks with the woman

THE WORD

Teacher Tip: Have the children complete the “Woman at the Well” craft before doing “Watch the Word.” Let the children use their crafts to act out the Bible Story.

Before we begin our Bible Time, let’s say our Classroom Promise with the motions.

With my eyes on my teacher;	Point to eyes.
My mouth quiet as can be,	Place index finger over mouth as quiet sign.
I will listen to hear,	Cup hand around ear.
How God loves you and me.	Hug self, point to others, and then self.

Last time, we learned Jesus taught Nicodemus God loved the world so much that He sent His only Son, Jesus. Today, we will hear what the woman at a well learned from Jesus. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to John 4:30.

WATCH THE WORD: JOHN 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42

Read the points below or retell the passage in your own words using points below as a general guide. To illustrate the story, hold a jar or pitcher of water. Other visual options include the craft sample, Color This Story, or a related picture.

- One day, Jesus came to a town,
- And by a well, He sat right down.
- He was tired for He had traveled far.
- Then came a woman with a water jar.

- Jesus said, “Please give Me a drink.”
- As they talked, she began to think.
- “All who drink this will be thirsty again,”
- He said, “I give life that never ends.”

- Back to her town the woman ran.
- She said, “Everyone, come and see this man!”
- He told me everything I’ve ever done.
- Could He be the Lord, God’s only Son?

- The townspeople came out just to see.
- When Jesus spoke, they said “We believe.”
- “Come, see Jesus,” said the woman at the well.
- She told many people—how many can you tell?

What did many of the people say when they saw Jesus? (“We believe.”) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let’s say it together: “We believe.” Include sign language or hand motions.



The woman told the people in town about Jesus. Who did the people go see? (Jesus.)
Let’s find our answer in the Bible. Read John 4:30 from the teacher’s Bible.



Telling others about Jesus

THE WAY

Teacher Tip: Craft and games can be presented at the same time in different areas or one at a time depending on class size and teaching style.

CRAFT: WOMAN AT THE WELL

Purpose: For children to create picture they can use to act out the Bible story of Jesus talking to the woman at the well.

Supplies: Sturdy tan and white paper, paper cups, tape, craft sticks, markers or crayons, optional: brown or gray sturdy paper

Prepare: On sturdy tan paper, create a Bible-time landscape with a well. On landscape, print:

“Jesus Talks with the Woman at the Well.” John 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42

You may also include a path to a town. Draw or print pictures of Jesus and the woman on sturdy white paper and cut them out.

Optional: Before step 5, decorate the cup to look like a well by taping or gluing brown or gray sturdy paper to the cup or let children color the cup with markers or crayons.

Directions:

1. Color the picture of Jesus.
2. Tape or glue the stick to the back of picture of Jesus.
3. Color the picture of the woman.
4. Tape or glue the stick to the back of the picture of the woman.
5. Color the landscape.
6. Fold the landscape in thirds so it can stand on a table.
7. Tape a cup to the well in the picture.

Craft Discussion:

- **Who remembers our Bible Memory Verse? Let’s say it together right now!** Lead the children in repeating the Unit 2 Bible Memory Verse together.
- **Who did Jesus talk to at the well?** (The woman.)
- **When the woman ran back to town, she said, “Come, see!” to the people in town. Who did she want the people to come and see?** (Jesus.)
- **What did many of the people say when they saw Jesus?** (We believe!)
- **Let's act out the story using our picture and stick puppets!**

THE WAY *continued...*

GAME: COME, SEE JESUS

Purpose: Children will play a game to act out the Bible story of Jesus and the woman at the well.

Supplies: None

Who did the woman talk to at the well? (Jesus.) She ran to tell the people in town to come and see Jesus. The people ran to see Jesus. When they saw Him, they said, "We believe!" Let's act out our Bible Story!

Directions:

1. Choose three children to be the well. Have them stand on one side of the room and hold hands in a circle to make the well.
2. Divide the rest of the class in half. Have one group stand next to the well. Have the other group stand on the other side of the room and pretend they are in town.
3. The group next to the well runs to the group in the town and says in loud voices, "**Come, see Jesus!**"
4. Both groups run together to the well and say in loud voices, "**We believe!**" while using the Whisper Verse motions.
5. Play a few more times. Each time, have the children switch roles.

GAME: WE BELIEVE

Purpose: Children will practice saying they believe Jesus loves them.

Supplies: Ball

The woman and the people in town saw Jesus. They said, "We believe!" Do you believe Jesus loves you? (Children respond.) You can say, "We believe," too!

Directions:

1. Have the children sit on the floor in a circle.
2. Roll the ball to one of the children.
3. When the child gets the ball, lead the child in saying, "**Jesus loves you.**"
4. Using the Whisper Verse motions, lead all the children in saying, "**We believe.**"
5. Child rolls the ball to another child.
6. Continue playing until all the children have had a turn.

THE WAY *continued...*

SNACK: CRACKERS AND WELL WATER

Purpose: To enjoy a snack that helps them remember the story of the woman at the well.

Snack Suggestion: Crackers, water in a large bowl with ladle or scoop

Directions:

1. Serve snack and drink.
2. **Let's sing the "Blessing Song."** Sing to the tune of "Frere Jacques" or other familiar tune.
God our Father, God our Father. Once again, once again.
Thank You for our blessings. Thank You for our blessings. Amen. Amen.
3. Lead discussion below while children enjoy their snack.
 - **Who remembers our Whisper Verse?** Choose a child to demonstrate motions to Whisper Verse: "We believe."
 - **Jesus talked to the woman at the well. What did Jesus ask her to do?** (Give Him a drink of water.) **Let's dip some water from our own well.** Scoop out some water into cups for the children. Serve the crackers.
 - **The woman ran to town to tell everyone about Jesus. The people ran to see Him.**
 - **You can tell people about Jesus, too! Who can you tell?** (Parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, friends, cousins, neighbors, etc.)
 - **You can tell them your Whisper Verse! Let's practice it right now.** Lead children in saying and signing the Whisper Verse again.



CIRCLE OF PRAYER

God made you and He cares for you. He loves to hear you pray with private words or words you say out loud. Let's fold our hands and close our eyes. As I lift up your name to God in heaven, I will lay my hand on your shoulder. Let's pray together.

Dear God, thank You for making us and loving us. We lift up to You a special prayer for ____, ____, ____ (say each name). We pray for our families and friends. Thank You for teaching us how to love one another. Amen.



When only 5 minutes remain, begin this segment.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

COMPLETED CRAFT: Thank you for coming today! Take home your "Woman at the Well" craft. Use your stick puppets to act out the Bible story of Jesus talking with the woman at the well.

PONDER, PRAY & PLAY: Distribute Ponder, Pray & Play cards, if available. **Show this card to your family.** Talk about how you can tell others about Jesus.

COLOR THIS STORY: "Jesus and the Woman at the Well." Discuss Bible story and play Unit 2 Bible Memory Verse song "How Wide?" as children color.



If time remains, choose from the connected activities below.

☛ GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: JOHN 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42

Purpose: This pantomime version of the Bible Story helps children remember the Bible Story details.

Directions: With each phrase, the teacher says the phrase and acts it out with hand motions; then repeats the same phrase and motions with the children.

- **One day, Jesus came to a town,** (Walk in place.)
- **And by a well, He sat right down.** (Pretend to sit.)
- **He was tired because He had traveled far.** (Wipe forehead with hand as if tired.)
- **Then came a woman with a water jar.** (Pretend to hold a jar)
- **Jesus said, "Please give Me a drink."** (Cup hands as if to drink.)
- **As they talked, she began to think.** (Point to head.)
- **"All who drink this will be thirsty again,"** (Pretend to drink.)
- **He said, "I give life that never ends."** (Shake head for no.)

- **Back to her town the woman ran.** (Run in place.)
- **She said, "Everyone, come and see this man!"** (Beckon with hand.)
- **He told me everything I've ever done.** (Cup hands at mouth as telling a secret.)
- **Could He be the Lord, God's only Son?** (Point to heaven.)
- **The townspeople came out just to see.** (Walk in place.)
- **When Jesus spoke, they said "We believe."** (Whisper Verse sign language.)
- **"Come, see Jesus," said the woman at the well.** (Beckon with hand.)
- **She told many people—how many can you tell?** (Palms up as asking question.)



☛ BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES

"How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ?" Ephesians 3:18

"His love endures forever." Psalm 100:5

GAME: CIRCLE OF LOVE

Purpose: To help children memorize and review the Unit 2 Bible Memory Verse.

Supplies: None

Can you show me how big Jesus' love is? Encourage children to stretch their arms wide to show the size of Jesus' love. **Let's review our Bible Memory Verse. Our verse tells us how big Jesus' love is!**

Directions:

1. Form a circle and hold hands.
2. Say the Bible Memory Verse together while doing the corresponding actions:

"How wide and long	Stretch circle outward.
and high	Hold each other's hands high to sky.
and deep	Hold each other's hands low to ground.
is the love of Christ."	Let go of hands and hug arms over chest.
"His love endures forever."	Hold hands again and walk in a circle.

GOT TIME? *continued...*

GAME: HOW BIG IS JESUS' LOVE?

Purpose: Children move a sheet to discover the meaning of the Unit 2 Bible Memory Verse.

Supplies: One large sheet, cloth, or tarp

Jesus loves all children. That means He loves you! Let's see how big Jesus' love is.

Directions:

1. Spread the sheet on the floor in the center of the room.
2. Children stand in a square around the sheet.
3. Children pick up the sheet by the edges.
4. **Pull on the sheet until it is tight. See how wide and long the sheet is? Jesus' love for you is even wider and longer!**
5. **Take one giant step into the square. Hold the sheet as high as you can reach. See how high the sheet is? Jesus' love for you is even higher!**
6. **Now let's lower the sheet to the ground. See how low the sheet is? Jesus' love for you is even deeper!**
7. **Move into the middle and squeeze together tight; as close as you can. Jesus will be close to you forever. He will love you forever!**



STORY TIME

Gather the children and read a favorite story. This can be a Bible Story, a chapter from *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello*, or a story about telling others about Jesus.

PONDER, PRAY & PLAY

Unit 2, Lesson 9: Jesus and the Woman at the Well

PONDER! Read John 4:7, 25-26, 28-30, 42 with your family. Talk about how Jesus talked to the woman at the well. She told everyone in town she had seen Jesus. They went to see Him. Many people saw Jesus and said, "We believe!"

PRAY! Pray this prayer each day this week: "Lord, we are thankful someone told us about You. Help us tell others about You so they can also say, 'We believe.' Amen."

PLAY! Show your "Woman at the Well" craft to your family. Use your stick puppets to act out the Bible story. Ask other family members to help act out the Bible story, too. Just as the woman told the people in the town about Jesus, you can tell people about Jesus, too! Who can you tell?

Unit 2 Bible Memory Verse:

"How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ?" Ephesians 3:18
"His love endures forever." Psalm 100:5