

At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9 Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus Unit 2, Lesson 9

Jesus and the Woman at the Well

Lesson Aim: To tell others about Jesus.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is your favorite thing to drink?

GAME: Well Water Relay Race

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO SERVES

Read Worship Scripture: Revelation 21:5-7

Sing songs and worship God. (Use the Seven Stars of Lent activity if this lesson occurs during the 40 days before Easter.)

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

THE WORD JESUS TALKS WITH THE WOMAN AT THE WELL

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus talked with Nicodemus about being born again.

Today, we'll learn about the woman at the well who talked with Jesus about eternal life. Point to Samaria. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: John 4:7, 10-11, 13-14, 25-26, 28-30, 41-42. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: John 4:13-14. Pray. Read.

THE WAY TELLING EVERYONE ABOUT JESUS

What is eternal life? (Life that lasts forever with God.) Jesus described it as a special kind of water. What was the name of that special water? (Living water.) Living water stands for life forever with Jesus. What do you think He meant when He said, "Whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst?" (God made our hearts to be thirsty to be for Him.)

In Bible Times, Jewish men would not speak to Samaritan women. But Jesus came to save people like the woman at the well and like each of us. Even though she was a Samaritan, if she believed in Him, Jesus would give her eternal life. There are many kinds of people. Some believe in a false god or in no god. Some are growing up in Christian, Muslim, Buddhist, or Hindu families. Which of these would Jesus invite to believe in Him? (All of them. Jesus said whoever believes in Him shall have eternal life.)

What did the woman do after she talked to Jesus? (She put down her water jug to go tell everyone to come and see Jesus.) In the same way, believers today put down what they are doing to go and tell others what Jesus has done in our lives.

SEVEN SECONDS OF SILENCE: Seat children around a circle of rocks, symbolizing a well. Place a bucket of drinking water nearby. Lead children in seven seconds of silence to think of what they can share about God (His power, love, living water, etc).

SHARING AT THE WELL: Choose volunteers to deliver cups and serve water. You may share your story or just enjoy the water and listen to others' good news. Who would like to share what God is doing in your life?

CHRIST CONNECTION:

700 years before Jesus spoke about living water, the Lord spoke through Isaiah to invite us to come to the water and find life for our souls. Reveal Isaiah 55:1a, 3. Find It First. Highlight. Read. Who did the Lord invite? (All who are thirsty.) Our souls are thirsty for God. What do you think it means to be thirsty for God? (To want to be close with Him forever.) Have you ever wanted to be closer to Him? Who can give us life close with God forever? (Jesus.)

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Bottle of water
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus talking with the woman at the well
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Water for All

GAME: Name That Follower **CRAFT:** Global Paper People

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Come, Follow Me; The Wave

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