

“Encounters With Jesus”

“Week 2: How Can I Fill the Emptiness Within Me?”

Faith Bible Church

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John 4:1-42 (*New American Standard*)

1 When therefore the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John **2** (although Jesus Himself was not baptizing, but His disciples were), **3** He left Judea, and departed again into Galilee. **4** And He had to pass through Samaria.

5 So He came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph; **6** and Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. **7** There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." **8** For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. **9** The Samaritan woman therefore said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)

10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." **11** She said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? **12** "You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" **13** Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water shall thirst again; **14** but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life. "

15 The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty, nor come all the way here to draw." **16** He said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." **17** The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband'; **18** for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly. " **19** The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. **20** "Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you people say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." **21** Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain,

nor in Jerusalem, shall you worship the Father. **22** "You worship that which you do not know; we worship that which we know, for salvation is from the Jews. **23** "But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. **24** "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." **25** The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us." **26** Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

27 And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He had been speaking with a woman; yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why do You speak with her?" **28** So the woman left her waterpot, and went into the city, and said to the men, **29** "Come, see a man who told me all the things that I have done; this is not the Christ, is it?" **30** They went out of the city, and were coming to Him. **31** And from that city many of the Samaritans believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all the things that I have done." **40** So when the Samaritans came to Him, they were asking Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. **41** And many more believed because of His word; **42** and they were saying to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves and know that this One is indeed the Savior of the world."

LIFE TRUTHS FROM TODAY'S SCRIPTURE:

- I.** There are no _____ to Jesus' _____. (vv. 1-9)

- II.** Jesus supplies in _____ the _____ of life. (vv. 10-14)

- III.** In the course of our encounter with Him, we discover _____ for who _____ truly is. (vv. 15-26)

- IV.** Once He fills _____ emptiness, _____ become _____ partners in helping to fill the emptiness of _____. (vv. 27-30, 39-42)