

John #21

4:1-26 Pt. I

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“A Well of Water Springing Up to Eternal Life”

Intro: We have read the testimonies of several of those who upon meeting and interacting with the Jesus of Nazareth, bore witness that He is the Christ. Up to this point though, we have not heard it directly from the lips of Jesus. Among the reasons today’s text is so moving is that here in the narrative of chapter 4, we will read as _____ Himself clearly announces that _____ the _____.

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I. By the _____ and providential _____ of God:

A. _____ “left Judea, and departed again into Galilee.”

B. Jesus “_____ go through Samaria.”

C. Jesus “_____ of ... Sychar.

D. Jesus was _____ from His journey and _____ by Jacob’s well.

E. A _____ Samaritan _____ came to draw water from the well while Jesus was there and the disciples weren’t.

F. Jesus _____ the woman to draw Him a _____.

1. Of all that is unusual in Jesus talking to the Samaritan woman, it was His _____ to use her utensils that most _____ her for Jews have “*no dealings* with Samaritans”.

II. Jesus spoke to the Samaritan woman to _____ need.

A. Jesus did not _____ her in kind, but in _____.

1. Jesus turned the conversation from His physical need and her earthly concern to her greater _____.

B. _____ told her that God has a gift and that He was the One who could _____ her that _____.

C. She challenged the Lord for she heard in the natural when Christ was _____ words of spirit and _____.

1. She wanted to know if _____ thought He was than their father Jacob who gave them the well.

2. Commentator Carson wrote, “Misunderstanding combines with irony to make the woman twice wrong; the ‘living water’ Jesus offers does not come from an ordinary well, and _____ in fact far _____ than the patriarch Jacob.”

D. Jesus answered her challenge by explaining to her that who drinks the living water from Jacob's well gets _____.

1. In contrast to the water that comes from Jacob's well, explained that whoever drinks the water that He "shall _____ him shall _____."

2. Christ specifically said, "whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; ..." "I" is an emphatic personal pronoun, so when we read this it would be right to emphasize "I". The word translated "shall give" means "to give of one's own accord and with good will, to bestow upon, and here is spoken of Christ as the one from whom 'the living water' is received with _____ Himself being the source, author and _____ of the favor and benefit. Therefore, such "water" is a _____ given by Christ!

a. This emphasizes the fact that whoever drinks must give all praise and glory to _____ for He is the source, the _____- _____ of this water, the One who is the cause of the favor and benefit bestowed upon the one who drinks!

3. The picture here is not that this _____ heavenly satisfies the soul once and for all, but that it flows and _____ and flows within oneself so that the desires are continually met.

E. The living water that Christ gives results in _____ life.

1. The gift of God is eternal
Christ our Lord!

Closing: According to Hebrews 10, sins debt is satisfied by the sacrifice of Christ, once and for all. He paid the debt in full. We are saved not by our own effort to fulfill the law, but as a free gift of God by grace through _____ Christ _____. So it is, "That whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:15). Therefore, it is right that Jesus cried out saying, "If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. "He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water'" (John 7:37-38). His invitation goes out to all! The gift of God is _____ through Jesus Christ our Lord! Drink of Him and never thirst again!

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