

Lesson VI. JESUS AND THE WOMAN OF SAMARIA February 11, 1917

John 4 : 5-14, 24-26. Study John 4 : 1-29. *Scripture Memory Verse, Ps. 121 : 5.

Golden Text—Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.—1 Timothy 1 : 15.

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5 Then cometh he to a city of Samar'ia, which is called Sy'char, near to the parcel of ground that Ja'cob gave to his son Jo'seph.

6 Now Ja'cob's well was there. Je'sus therefore, being wearied with *his* journey, sat thus on the well : and it was about the sixth hour.

7 There cometh a woman of Samar'ia to draw water : Je'sus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

9 Then saith the woman of Samar'ia unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samar'ia ? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samar'itans.

10 Je'sus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink ; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep : from whence then hast thou that living water ?

12 Art thou greater than our father Ja'cob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle ?

13 Je'sus answered and said unto her,

Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again :

14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst ; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

24 God is a Spirit : and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

25 The woman saith unto him, I know that Mess'i'as cometh, which is called Christ : when he is come, he will tell us all things.

26 Je'sus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am *he*.

THE LESSON RETOLD

One day Jesus was walking through the country with his disciples. They were getting near to a city. They could see the houses in the distance. They were very glad to see the houses for they were hungry and tired. They came to a well full of nice, clear water. There was a low stone wall around it, and steps going down to the water. Any day you might have seen a lot of women coming out of the city carrying water jugs on their heads. They were coming to get the nice cold water to carry home to drink, for water was very scarce in that hot country.

Jesus sat down at the side of the well to

rest. The disciples said, "We shall go into the city and get some food for us all," and they went on their way.

Presently a woman came to the well, carrying her water jug on her head. When she came near, Jesus said, "Give me a drink of water." The woman looked at Jesus and knew that he was a Jew. "How is it that you ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria, for the Jews have nothing to do with us ?" she said. Jesus told her if she knew the great gift he had for her, and who he was, she would have asked and he should have given her living water.

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