

Introduction:

Thirst:

*“My soul thirsts for you,
my body longs for you,
In a dry and weary land
where there is no water.” Psalm 63:1*

Now Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that he was gaining and baptizing more disciples than John—² although in fact it was not Jesus who baptized, but his disciples. ³ So he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee.

⁴ Now he had to go through Samaria. ⁵ So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

⁷ When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, “Will you give me a drink?” ⁸ (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?” (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

¹⁰ Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.”

¹¹ “Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? ¹² Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?”

¹³ Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

¹⁵ *The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."*

¹⁶ *He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."*

¹⁷ *"I have no husband," she replied.*

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. ¹⁸ The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true." John 4:1-18

I. The Argument

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again," (vs. 13)

"You know what. On the surface you and I are so different. But deep down, fundamentally we are the same. Both of us are desperately unhappy about something and we have no idea what it is."

How We Respond to Dissatisfaction

1. We blame the thing or the person.
2. We blame ourselves.

3. We blame the universe or fate.

The Right Way to Respond

4. Blame your spiritual condition.

“For every desire that you find in a creature there is a corresponding satisfaction. ~ C.S. Lewis

II. The Offer

“...but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”
(vss. 13-14)

Water

Two kinds of people:

- Restless/thirsty but who are not awake yet.
- Those who have awakened, know they are thirsty, and are looking for something to quench it.

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The Thirsts Jesus Quenches

- Purpose
- Love
- A Conscience at Peace

“There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus!”

Romans 8:1

Well Water and Spring Water

*“I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.”* Psalm 121:1-2

Do you have it? How do I receive it?

III. Receiving

Wells and Springs

*“My people have committed two sins:
They have forsaken me,
the spring of living water,
and have dug their own cisterns,
broken cisterns that cannot hold water.”* Jeremiah 2:13

“Indeed, the water I give them...” (vs. 14)

It's a gift. Don't make it more complicated than it has to be. And have
you received it?

“Taste and see that the Lord is good.” Psalm 34:8