

John 4:1-15

1-3. Therefore, when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John (though **Jesus Himself did NOT** baptize, but His disciples), He left Judea and departed again to Galilee.

- **I Corinthians 1:16-17** "Yes, I also _____ the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I _____ any other. For _____ did _____ send me to _____, but to _____ the _____, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect."

Definition: "Jesus Himself did NOT BAPTIZE" - Jesus Himself did NOT baptize anyone in WATER, because John had already told everyone that Jesus was the One who would baptize in the HOLY SPIRIT. Jesus' disciples baptized people to prepare them for the Kingdom of God, but **Jesus would be the One** who would **baptize with the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost**, and would continue to baptize all believers in the Spirit until His return. The word "baptize" means to IMMERSE, to PLACE INTO, or to be IDENTIFIED WITH. You are **baptized, or "placed into" the Body of Christ BY the Holy Spirit**, whom Jesus sent down from heaven after He went up to be with the Father (see Acts 1:4-5). This BAPTISM HAPPENS the MOMENT YOU BELIEVE in Jesus. The Holy Spirit comes to live or "dwell" in you the moment you accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior,

- **Read I Corinthians 12:11-20** (Verse 11) "But one and the same _____ works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills." (Verse 13) "For _____ one _____ we were all _____ into one _____ - whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free - and have all been made to drink into one _____." (Verse 18) "But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the _____, just as He pleased."

4. But He **needed** to go through **Samaria**.

- **Matthew 10:5-7** "These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them saying, 'Do _____ go into the way of the _____, and do _____ enter a city of the _____. But go rather to the lost _____ of the house of _____. And as you go, preach, saying, 'The _____ of _____ is at hand (is NEAR).'"

Definition: "He NEEDED to go through Samaria" - No, going through Samaria was NOT the ONLY way to get to Galilee, but usually the Jews would take a longer route, and go AROUND Samaria, because they hated the Samaritans. This hatred went back hundreds of years, because the Samaritans were a half-breed nation made up of the descendants of Jewish exiles from the Northern kingdom of Israel who had intermarried with the Gentile nations around them.

Definition: "Do NOT go into the way of the GENTILES" - Gentile means NOT Jewish. When Jesus sent His disciples out to preach the Good News of the Kingdom of God, they were to go ONLY to the Jews. He did not become the SAVIOR OF THE WHOLE WORLD until AFTER He died on the cross and rose again. Until that time, He was just the "Jewish Messiah" and the gospel was to the "Jew first."

- **Romans 1:16** "For I am not ashamed of the gospel (GOOD NEWS) of _____, for it is the _____ of God to _____ for

everyone who _____, for the Jew _____ and also for the Greek (Gentile)."

- **Ephesians 2:12-13** "And at that time, you [Gentiles] were _____ Christ, being _____ from the commonwealth (blessings) of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having _____ hope and _____ God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus, you who once (at that time) were afar off, have been made near by the blood of Christ;"

Definition: "AFAR OFF" and "NEAR" - This refers to the Gentiles, who were far away ("afar off") from God in Old Testament times, and the Jews, or nation of Israel, who were "near" to God. Salvation was not open to the non-Jews until AFTER Jesus went to the cross and shed His blood, and then they "came NEAR by the blood of Christ" (Eph. 2:13).

- **Matthew 15:24** "But He answered and said, 'I was not sent _____ to the lost _____ of the house of _____.'"

Definition: "The LOST SHEEP of the HOUSE of ISRAEL" - Jesus did not become the SAVIOR OF THE WORLD until AFTER He died on the cross and shed His blood for the sins of the world. Then, He would go to the "other sheep" of His (see John 10:16), the Gentiles.

5-7. So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that **Jacob gave to his son Joseph**. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink."

- **Genesis 33:18-19** "Now Jacob came safely to the city of Shechem, which is in the land of Canaan, when he came from Paddan-aram, and camped before the city. And he _____ the piece of _____ where he had pitched his tent, from the hand of the sons of Hamor, Shechem's father, for one hundred pieces of money."
- **Joshua 24:32** "Now they buried the bones of _____, which the sons of Israel brought up from the land of Egypt, at Shechem, in the _____ of _____ which _____ had bought from the sons of Hamor, Shechem's father, for one hundred pieces of money; and they became the inheritance of Joseph's sons."

8-10. For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. 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.**"

- **Ephesians 2:8-9** "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the _____ of _____; not of works, lest anyone should boast."
- **Romans 5:15-16** "But the _____ is not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense (Adam's sin) many _____, much more the _____ of God, and the _____ by the grace of the one Man, _____, abounded to many, and the _____ is not like that which came through the one who sinned. For the judgment which came from one offense resulted in _____, but the _____ which came from many offenses resulted in justification."
- **Revelation 21:6** "And He said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the _____ and the _____. I will _____ of the _____ of the _____ of life _____ to him who _____.'"

- **Revelation 22:17** "And the Spirit and the bride say, 'Come!' And let him who hears say, 'Come!' And let him who _____ come. And whoever _____ let him _____ the _____ of life _____."

11-12. The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw [water] with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"

- **Isaiah 12:3** "Therefore you will joyously draw _____ from the _____ of _____."

Definition: "Sir, You have nothing to DRAW with" - The Samaritan woman is only thinking in NATURAL, EARTHLY TERMS - of LITERAL WATER. All she can see is that Jesus does not have a bucket to draw the water up in. But Jesus is talking about ETERNAL TRUTHS. Watch and see how **Jesus turns every part of the conversation** with her from earthly matters to HEAVENLY MATTERS.

13-15. Jesus answered and said to her, "**Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again**, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him **a FOUNTAIN of water springing up into EVERLASTING LIFE**. The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

- **John 6:35** "And Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who _____ in Me shall never _____.'"
- **Jeremiah 2:13** "For my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken Me, the _____ of _____ waters, to hew for themselves cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no _____."
- **Jeremiah 17:13** "O Lord, the hope of Israel, all who _____ Thee will be put to shame. Those who turn away on earth will be written down, because they have _____ the _____ of _____ water, even the Lord."

Definition: "FORSAKEN the FOUNTAIN of LIVING WATER" - Forsake means to quit or leave entirely, to abandon. God says that **He Himself is the "Fountain of Living Water."** In John 7:37-39, Jesus says He is referring to the Holy Spirit. Since the Holy Spirit, Jesus, and God the Father are One, if we have the Holy Spirit living in us, we also have God the Father and Jesus living in us, and we have ETERNAL LIFE.

- **I John 5:20** "And we know that the Son of God has come, and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true, and we are in _____ who is true, in His _____ Jesus Christ. This is the _____ and _____."
- **John 7:38-39** "He who _____ in Me, as the scripture has said, out of his _____ will flow rivers of living _____. But this He spoke concerning the _____, whom those _____ in Him would _____; for the _____ was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified."
- **I John 3:23-24** "And this is His commandment, that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another as He gave commandment. And he that keeps His (God's) commandments dwells (lives) in _____, and He _____ him (in the Believer). And by this we know that He (dwells) abides in us, by the _____ whom He has given us."