## Bible Stories for Young Children

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## THE WOMAN AT THE WELL

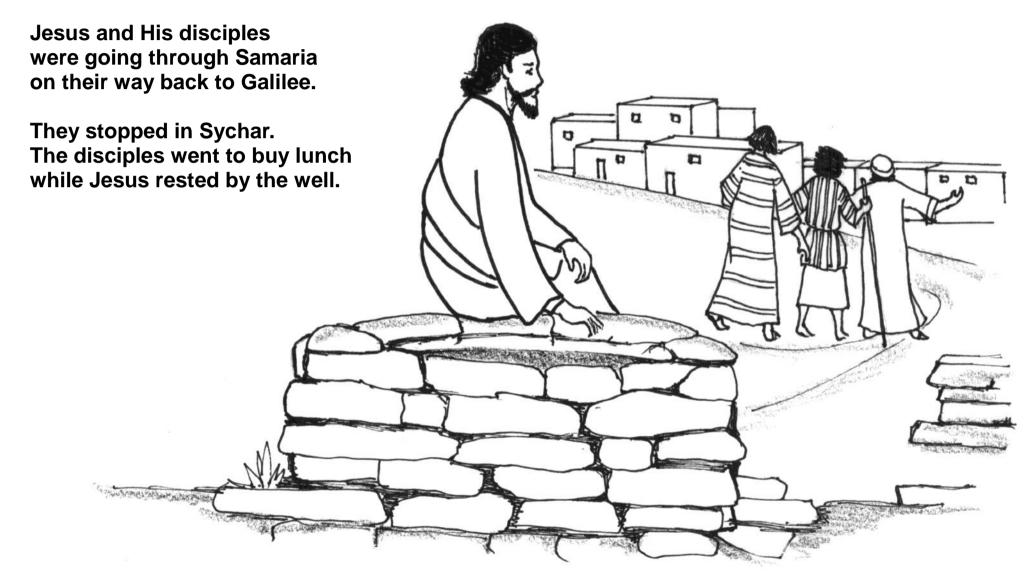
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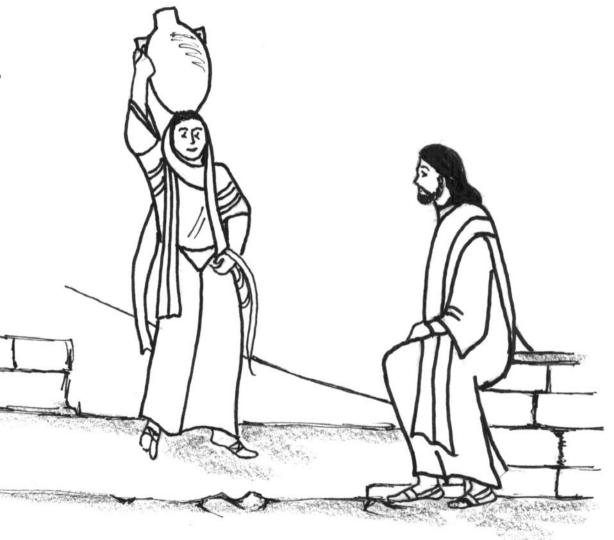


He had not been there very long when a lady came to get water.

Jesus asked her. 'Please give Me a drink.'

She answered, 'You are a Jew. Why are You asking me for water? I am a Samaritan woman. You know we don't talk to each other.'

Jesus said,
'If you knew what God gives
and who I am,
you would ask Me
and I would give you living water.'



She said,
'Sir, You don't have a bucket
and the well is deep.
Jacob gave us this well.
Are you greater than he?
And from where
would you get the living water?'

Jesus said,
'This water stops your thirst
for a little while,
but whoever drinks the water
that I give you,
will never get thirsty,
and they will live forever.'

'Give me that water,' she said.
'Then I'll not have to come to this well again.'



'Go and bring your husband,' Jesus told her.

'I have no husband,' she said.

Jesus said He knew about her many husbands.

She was amazed that Jesus knew her.

The lady said, 'Sir, I see that You are a prophet. The Jews tell us that we can only worship God in Jerusalem.'

Jesus said to her, 'Soon you will worship God anywhere for God is spirit. Those who worship God must worship Him in spirit and truth.'

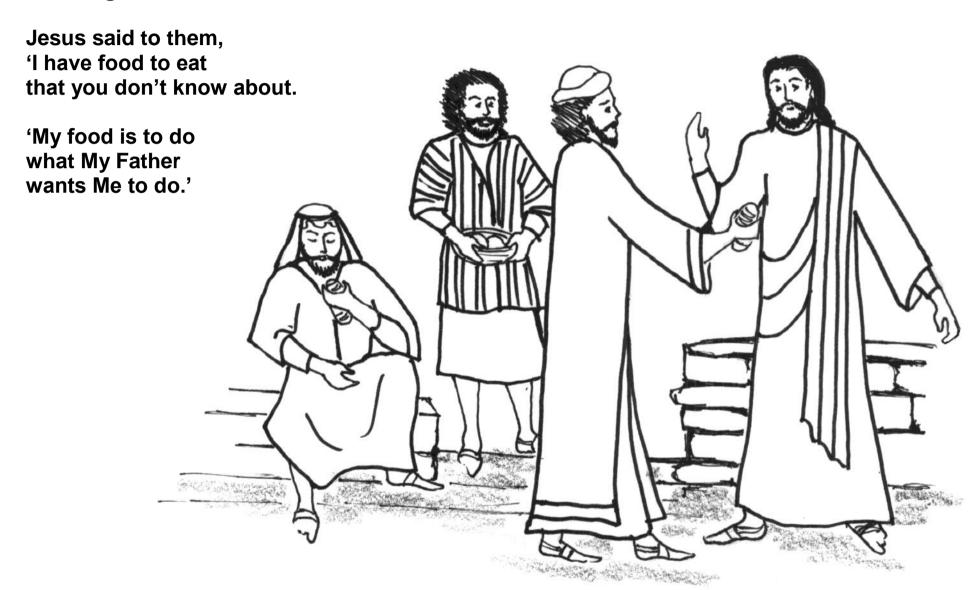


'Sir, I know that the Messiah is coming.
When He comes,
He will teach us everything,' answered the woman.



The disciples returned with lunch, so the lady left her water pot and ran back to the village.

'Come quickly,' she said to the men there. 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done. Could He be the Messiah?' After the lady had gone the disciples tried to get Jesus to eat.



Back in the village the men listened to the lady and believed all that she told them about Jesus.

They went with her to where Jesus was and asked Him to stay with them to tell them more.

