

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Pt. 10: John 4:1-15

Well, well!

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^[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."