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Women's Bible Study 2008/09

- I. Pray: ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word
- 2. Think: the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word
- 3. Begin: using only your Bible, answer the questions without other outside sources

Lesson Six—The Gospel of John Chapter 4:1–30 October 15, 2008

a)	What did the Pharisees hear about Jesus in John 4:1?
b)	Why do you think Jesus would leave the area on account of this?
c)	How do you address similar situations (as described in John 4:1) happening at home, work, or church?
d)	Do you think it is important how others perceive your "work" with the Lord? Why or why not? ("Work" can be your endeavor to learn about God, change your habits, encourage others, teach your children about the Lord, ministry, etc.).
a)	Based on what you read about the Samaritan woman, why do you think she came to draw water at noon?

	b) What is startling about Jesus' request to her, "Will you give me a drink?"
3.	What is the gift of God in John 4:10?
4.	a) What do you think living water is? (Use Isaiah 44:3; 58:11 and John 7:38–39 for additional help)
	b) Describe its properties.
5.	The woman accepts Jesus' offer for living water. What do you think is Jesus' motive in John 4:16?
6.	a) What kind of worshipers does the Father seek?
	b) What kind of worship has been offered prior to this conversation?

	c)	When would true worshipers worship the Father in the way He seeks?
	d)	After reading Jesus' answer in John 4:21–24, how important do you think location, buildings, rules, and traditions are when you worship the Father? Explain.
7.	a)	Name some of the Samaritan woman's qualities you admire.
	b)	Name some qualities you find lacking in her.
8.	a)	Describe the disciples' reaction upon returning to Jesus.
	b)	Think of a time you had a reaction similar to the Samaritan woman after witnessing a work of the Lord's. Share what you learned.
9.	a)	Describe the Samaritan woman's reaction to Jesus' declaration of Himself as the Messiah.
	b)	Name as many reasons you can think of why the Samaritan woman doesn't give Jesus a drink.

Going deeper:

10. In what ways would you like to be a well of living water for your family, co-workers and/or community around you? Write down specifics about the plan you will pray about.