Episode 6I am Thirsty

John 4:1-26

Now when Jesus[a] learned that the Pharisees had heard, "Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John" 2 —although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized— 3 he left Judea and started back to Galilee. 4 But he had to go through Samaria. 5 So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8 (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" 13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." 15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." 17 The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" 19 The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. 20 Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." 21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. 22 You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." 25 The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." 26 Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

1. Everyone

Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" (4:7)

Thirst is <u>inevitable</u>

"Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well." (4:6)

Thirst is __Never Ending__

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again," (4:13)

2. We fill our thirst with **Physical Things**

"You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband." (4:17,18)

The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever. (1 John 2:17)

3. True thirst is _Spiritual

"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." (4:10)

We get our <u>priorities</u> Wrong
The Rich Young Ruler

4. We can be satisfied forever

"But whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (4:14)

We need to <u>confess</u>
We need to <u>believe</u>

5. When we are filled spiritually we overflow

"Many of the Samaritians from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did," (4:39)