

UNIT 21 | SESSION 4 | May 30-31, 2020

Elementary Parent Guide

Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

Bible Passage: John 4

Story Point: Jesus gives the Holy Spirit to those who believe.

Key Passage: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him

shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

Christ Connection: Jesus offers something better than physical water; He gives us Himself.

Use this guide to unpack what your kids are learning in the KidCity Online Experience. Pick an activity that works best for your family and lead your kids through the discussion questions. Check out the <u>Younger Kids Activity Page</u> for K-1st or the <u>Older Kids Activity Page</u> for 2nd-5th as an additional resource for your kids to do during the week.

ACTIVITY OPTION 1: Blessing Overflow

(Plastic cup, paper, pencils)

Using a sheet of paper and a pencil ask kids to write about or draw pictures of a few things they consider to be blessings. Help them think through things like their families, their school, their friends, their church family, and so forth. Then challenge the kids to wad their papers into balls and toss them into the cup. Allow them a few chances, or they may simply place their paper wad in the cup. By the end, the cup should be overflowing with paper wads.

SAY • God blesses us in so many ways. It is good to remember the blessings we have from God. The Bible teaches that every good gift is from God. The best gift we could receive is salvation from sin.

SHARE • Jesus gives the Holy Spirit to those who believe. When we have the Holy Spirit living with us, our hearts overflow with joy, and the blessings in our lives can be used to bless other people too.

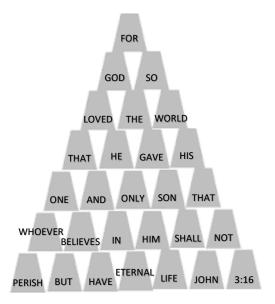
ACTIVITY OPTION 2: Key Passage Cup Pyramid

(28 paper or foam Cups)

Lead kids in reading aloud John 3:16 together.

Challenge kids to build a pyramid, arranging the cups in order with the first word of the key passage on the top row.

SHARE • How did God show His love for us? He sent His Son to rescue us!



DISCUSSION

(Bible) (John 4)

What did Jesus ask for when He first saw the Samaritan woman? (a drink of water, John 4:7)

What did Jesus say would happen to a person who drinks the living water? (He will never thirst again. It will become a well in him. He will have eternal life; John 4:14)

What is the living water Jesus spoke about? Guide kids to see that the living water is a picture of what the Holy Spirit is like. When we believe the gospel, Jesus sends the Holy Spirit to live within us. He helps us to love and obey God and fills our lives with joy and love so that we can "overflow" joy and love onto other people.

How can we receive "living water"? Remind the kids that the Bible teaches everyone who believes the gospel will be saved. Help them understand that when we believe the gospel, we ask forgiveness for our sin and love God. God forgives our sin, gives us new hearts, and sends the Holy Spirit to live in us and help us obey God out of love.

SHARE • Jesus gives the Holy Spirit to those who believe. Anyone can be a believer because Jesus loves all people. The gift of salvation is freely offered to us.



REFLECTION AND PRAYER

Pray as a family and ask the following questions:

What does this story teach me about God? What does this story teach me about myself? Who can I tell about this story?

CONNECT

(Younger Kids Activity Page – K-1st, Older Kids Activity Page – 2nd-5th)

Download the Kids Activity Page and encourage your child to do it at home with you this week.