

"Jesus Went – Part 3"

The 7th Man



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John 4:4-32

Now he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

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.)

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."

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John 4:4-32

"Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? 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?"

Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 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."

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." He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."

"I have no husband," she replied.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband."

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The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."

"Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

"Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

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John 4:4-32

The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us." Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you—I am he." Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her?"

Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" They came out of the town and made their way toward him.

Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about."

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"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke 19:10

Heaven
A Womb
(Bethlehem) A Manger
Key:
Country of the Gadarenes
Gennesaret
Mountaintops
Halls of Herod & Pilate
Palace of Caiaphas (high priest)
House of Annas (Caiaphas father-in-law)
Before the Sanhedrin
A Member's House
Tomb
Road to Emmaus
Heaven

Heaven
A Womb
(Bethlehem) A Manger
Egypt
Nazareth (childhood)
The Temple (Jerusalem)
Jordan River
Capernaum
Palace of Caiaphas (high priest)
House of Annas (Caiaphas father-in-law)
Before the Sanhedrin
A Pharisee's House
Nazareth (adult)
Bethlehem
Colossae
Bethsaida
Mount of Olives
Tomb
Road to Emmaus
Heaven

“Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness...”

Matthew 9:35

Sychar
Jerusalem
Decapolis
Kursi
Country of the Gadarenes
Gennesaret
Mountaintops
Halls of Herod & Pilate

Background:

- The Samaritans emerged after Assyrian took most of Israel into exile (722 B.C.) & foreigners intermarried with Jews who remained in the land. These half-Jews were rejected by the Jews in Judea & Galilee.
- Their historical connection to Israel grew into a religion that mixed commands and rituals from the Law of Moses, together with various superstitions.
- They built their own temple on Mount Gerizim, but the Jews burned it around 128 b.c.



John 4:4-6 –

And (Jesus) had to pass through Samaria.

So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

Soon a Samaritan woman came to draw water...

- Coming at mid-day to the well, the woman was avoiding people because she was an outcast, but Jesus meets her in her shame... in her pain.
- It would have been easy for her to leave.
- Jesus acknowledges this woman's past, that she has had **5** marriages and is now living with a **6th** man who is not her husband.

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6 ... is NOT 7!
7 is the number of God..
... of perfection & spiritual completion!

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6 - In Scripture, frequently represents “man” in his human weakness, imperfection... incomplete...

Genesis 1:31 –

“And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the 6th day.”

Exodus 34:21 –

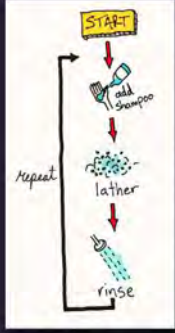
“6 days you shall work, but on the 7th day, you shall rest.”

5 husbands
+ 1 more man

6

The time of
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effort &
striving.

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The time of
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Genesis 1:21
"And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was morning – the first day."

Exodus 34:21 –
"6 days you shall work, but on the 7th day,
you shall rest."



5 husbands
+ 1 more man

6

He did this to present the church
to Himself in splendor

without spot or wrinkle
or anything like that

but holy and blameless

Era
of
God!

Exodus 34:21 –
"6 days you shall work, but on the 7th day,
you shall rest."



5 husbands
+ 1 more man


6

Jesus
is the 7th man!

And in meeting
Him...

Everything
changes!

What men could not provide, Jesus does!



5 husbands
+ 1 more man

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Remember the...
Waterpots at Cana?

Six Stone Jars

John 2:6



5 husbands
+ 1 more man

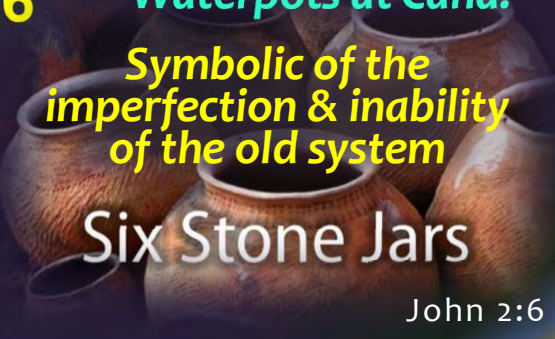
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Remember the...
Waterpots at Cana?

Symbolic of the
imperfection & inability
of the old system

Six Stone Jars

John 2:6



5 husbands
+ 1 more man

6 Remember the...
Waterpots at Cana?

**Jesus commanded they
be filled with water -
which He transformed!**

Removed
Shame!

Joy
Overflowing!

John 4:6

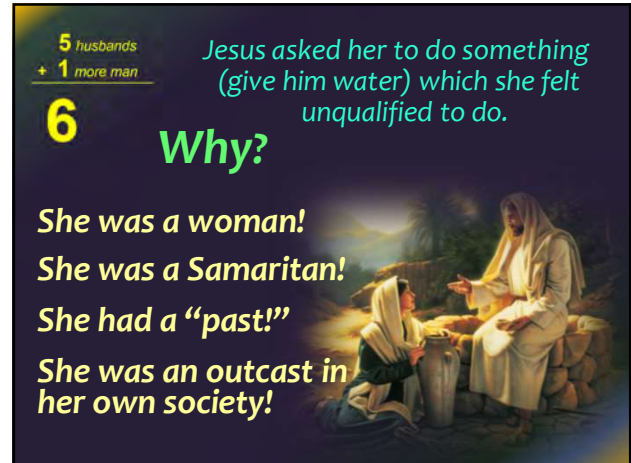


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Jesus asked her to do something
(give him water) which she felt
unqualified to do.

6 Why?

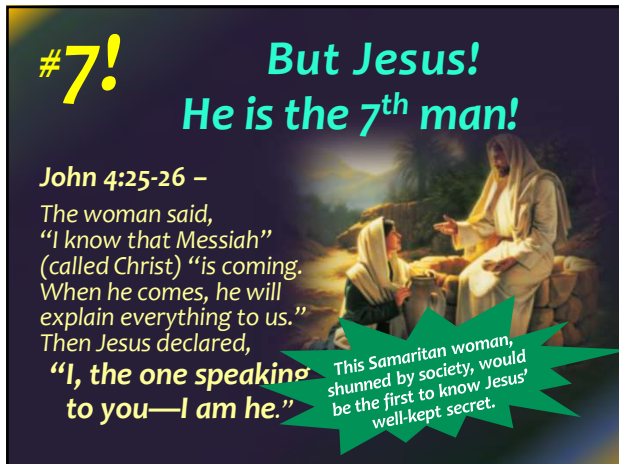
She was a woman!
She was a Samaritan!
She had a "past!"
She was an outcast in
her own society!



#7! But Jesus!
He is the 7th man!

John 4:25-26 –
The woman said,
"I know that Messiah"
(called Christ) "is coming.
When he comes, he will
explain everything to us."
Then Jesus declared,
"I, the one speaking
to you—I am he."

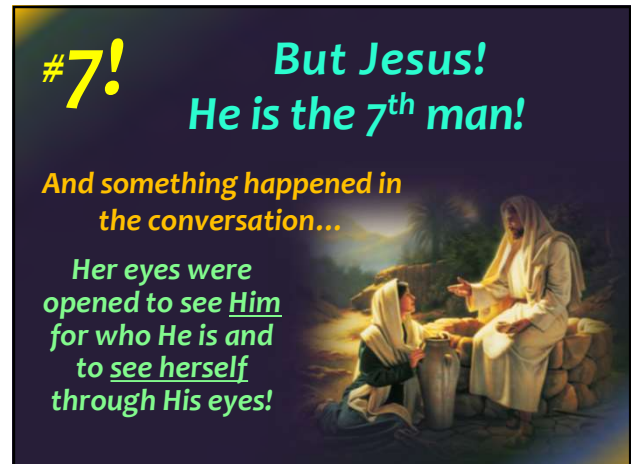
This Samaritan woman,
shunned by society, would
be the first to know Jesus'
well-kept secret.



#7! But Jesus!
He is the 7th man!

And something happened in
the conversation...

Her eyes were
opened to see Him
for who He is and
to see herself
through His eyes!

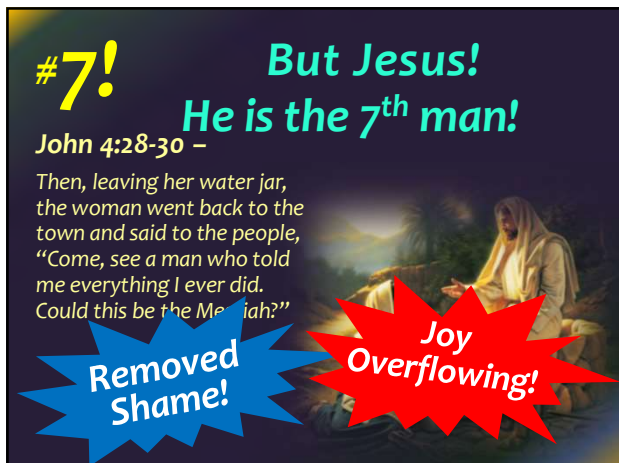


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He is the 7th man!

John 4:28-30 –
Then, leaving her water jar,
the woman went back to the
town and said to the people,
"Come, see a man who told
me everything I ever did.
Could this be the Messiah?"

Removed
Shame!

Joy
Overflowing!



5 husbands
+ 1 more man

6 Jacob's Well
... dug by men.

Man's efforts may bring
temporary satisfaction on
a physical yet temporary
level.

Just as natural thirst
cannot forever quench our
thirst, so too religious
efforts!



But Jesus! He is the 7th man!

In Him is lasting
satisfaction and
wholeness of being!

He is our spiritual
completion, and He
is everything we
need.



But Jesus! He is the 7th man!

He... removes
our shame!

He... gives life to
the full!



But Jesus! He is the 7th man!

As with the
stone jars,
Jesus (alone)...
“Purifies!”
Makes whole!



But Jesus! He is the 7th man!

He
“completed”
her story!



John 4:12 –

“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?”

Yes!

Jesus Went...

For the Son of Man came to seek
and to save what was lost.

- Luke 19:10 -



