



# Living Water

**John 4;  
Luke 4:14–28**

## EXPLORE

As a family, read *The Action Bible* story on pages 556–559 or the Action Bible New Testament on pages 46–49. Read this true Bible story found in John 4 and Luke 4:14–28.

Here is what the story is about:

After leaving Judea, Jesus went through Samaria with His disciples. Jesus sat down at a well while the disciples went into the town to find food. When a Samaritan woman was getting water from the well, Jesus asked her for a drink. The woman was confused because the Jews and Samaritans had been enemies for a long time. Most Jews would not talk to Samaritans. Jesus told the Samaritan woman about eternal life. Jesus told her that He was the promised Messiah. The woman was amazed by what Jesus said. She ran back to her town to tell the other Samaritans what Jesus told her. Then, Jesus and His disciples went to Nazareth. Jesus was at the synagogue reading from scriptures. Jesus told these people that He was the promised Messiah. The crowd did not believe Jesus. They were angry about what He had said. Jesus left Nazareth and went to Capernaum.

## REMEMBER

Answer each question with information you learned from the story:

- › Who did Jesus talk to at the well? A woman from Samaria
- › What did Jesus tell the woman about? Jesus told her about eternal life and that He was the promised Messiah.
- › What did the Samaritan woman do after talking to Jesus? She ran to tell the Samaritans about Jesus.
- › What made the people in Nazareth angry with Jesus? Jesus told them that He was the promised Messiah.

## **DISCUSS**

- › How does this story show that Jesus came to save everyone?

For hundreds of years, the Jewish people waited for God to send the promised Messiah. During that time, the Jews and Samaritans became enemies. Jesus chose to share that He was the promised Messiah for the first time with a Samaritan woman. This was very surprising.

- › How did the woman in Samaria and the people at the temple in Nazareth react to the news that Jesus was the Messiah?
- › Why do you think they responded differently?

The faith of the Samaritan woman is different from the anger and unbelief of the Jewish people in Nazareth. The Samaritan woman believed Jesus and was so excited about the news that she went to tell others. The people of Nazareth may have been angry because they were afraid to go against the teachings of their religious leaders or because they did not like that God had sent Jesus to save all people.

- › What are some ways you can share the gospel with others like the Samaritan Woman did?

## **BLESS**

Read the blessing below aloud or say your own blessing based on John 4:32.

(Child's name), may you know God and praise Him in spirit and truth. May you know that He has chosen you to be His child because He loves you.

## **ACT**

Spend time as a family talking about who you could share the gospel with. Find verses you can use to help share about Jesus. Then make a plan to share the gospel with at least one person. The news of God's love is amazing, so it is exciting to share it!