Craft Ideas on the Woman at the Well  
John 4:5-42

Never Thirst Again!  Craft Ideas for the Woman at the Well

There are a couple of great take-away points to emphasize when discussing the story of Jesus and the woman at the well. One of these has to do with evangelism. Jesus reached out to a woman who was literally on the edge of society, and in so doing offered her eternal life and a joyful hope that she couldn’t help sharing with others. In the same way, our lives should be changed when we meet Jesus, in such a way that we want to tell everyone about Him, no matter what their background or appearance might be. The other focus of the story is understanding that Jesus fills us. Just as we need water to survive, we need His words and salvation in order to spiritually thrive. These crafts will hopefully remind students of those elements.

Bible Verses or Craft Captions to Consider...

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.” -John 4:10

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. -John 6:35

Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” -John 4:13-14

Water of life...Jesus is the soul-quencher!

Never Thirst again! Jesus is THE living water.
Craft one: “Well of Life”

You will need:

- Scissors
- Construction paper
- Paper cups
- Markers or decorating materials
- String or yarn
- Hole punch

Procedure:

1. Decorate the paper to look like a “well” of some sort. Embellish with sky or other elements as desired.

2. Punch a hole in the top and bottom of the paper, about two inches from each border (or as much as your hole punch allows).

3. Punch a hole in the side of a small paper cup, which will serve as a “bucket.”

4. Cut a piece of string long enough to go up and down the length of paper. Insert the string into one side of the paper, then through the cup, and then through the other side of the paper. Tie the string at the back and trim any extra ends.

5. Add a verse caption, and any extra “water drops” or stickers that you like. Have fun tugging the string to raise and lower the “bucket”!

“Jesus said: ‘Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again.’” - John 4:13-14
Craft Two: “Living Water Lava Lamp”

You will need:

- Plastic water bottle
- Cooking Oil
- Stickers (optional)
- Glitter or food coloring (optional)
- Alka-seltzer tablet (optional)

Procedure:

1. Fill the water bottle about a third of the way with water.
2. Carefully pour oil into the remainder of the bottle, until almost full.
3. If desired, add a few drops of food coloring and/or glitter for extra decoration.
4. For extra “living water” fun, add an Alka-Seltzer tablet, broken into pieces.
5. Tightly screw the cap onto the bottle (hot glue may be helpful). Decorate the outside with stickers, if you like, and a verse caption. Shake around (carefully) to watch the “living water” move and separate!
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