

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1.) vs 3 Because Jesus knew God's sovereign plan, he was aware that it was **PREMATURE** to have a public confrontation with Jewish authorities. He therefore left Judea to go north.
- 2.) vs 4 The town of Sychar is significant in Biblical history because of the section of land Jacob purchased and the location of an important well which was dug there.
- 3.) vs 6 In the Bible, the "sixth hour" represents **NOON**, which was a very unusual time for a woman to come to a well for water
- 4.) vs 7 Jesus request; "Give Me a drink" is actually a polite request- "Will you grant me a drink?"
- 5.) vs 9 The Samaritan woman's surprised reaction is easily understood because under ancient Jewish Law men **DID NOT SPEAK** with women in public. In very strict settings, a Rabbi would not even talk to his own wife.
- 6.) vs 9 We see Jesus shattering all **SOCIAL BARRIERS**. Under Pharisaic Law, Jews and Samaritans were not allowed to use the same drinking vessel.
- 7.) In vs 10 we see Jesus using an ancient teaching technique called a **MASHAL** – which is Hebrew- a veiled saying, for the purpose of expanding the mind; Jesus is lifting her thinking beyond the material need in order to help her see spiritual realities.
- 8.) vs 10 give us another 'Brush Stroke' of God on the Portrait when Jesus calls himself "**LIVING WATER**".
- 9.) In vs 11 we see the woman heard his words, but missed his meaning. In her world 'Living Water' came from the **DEEPEST** part of the well. Because the water is moving, the ancients called it "*living water*".
- 10.) vs 13 The "Living water" Jesus gives to each of us is a new eternal destiny which flows from the **DEPTHS** of our **WALK** with the Living God in Christ alone. He promises us this 'Living Water' is a '*fountain of life*' which is springing, bubbling up and flowing ...ever fresh, ever living.
- 11.) Vs 17 It's really hard to hide things from an omniscient God! Jesus knew all about her immoral life even though she attempted to be **EVASIVE**.

12.) Vs 19 Jesus allows the discussion to go down a new trail, but uses the opportunity to pour light into her mind regarding further knowledge of God and brings her **FULL CIRCLE** back to the real issue.

13.) vs 24 we see another 'Brush Stroke' of God upon the Portrait when Jesus says; "*God is spirit*". He cannot be **CONFINED** to one place or conceived of as a material being.

14.) In vs 26 Jesus gave a clear declarative statement that He is the great "**I AM**". In the original Greek text; Jesus actually said, "*I who speak to you am*".

GREEK WORDS USED TODAY

Synchraomai (Soong-khrah'-om-ahee) to *use jointly*, to use vessels together, *hold in common*:- have dealings with

Hallomai (hal'-lom-ahee) to leap, *jump*; figurative to *gush* :- spring up

FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

How might you apply the truths you've heard today to your activities this week?

How might you apply the truths you've heard today to your prayer life?
