

Hope in a Broken world

3/3 Bible Discovery Session

The Compassionate Jesus (4 of 6) **“Jesus Offers Hope to Everyone”**

Report & Celebrate (15-20 minutes)

1. Share & Care

- *What has been the best thing and the worst thing about your week?*



Care

2. Accountability

Following

- *What do you remember from our last session?*
- *How did you live out last week's story in your life?*



Report

Fishing

- *Did you tell anyone else what you learned? How did it go? Were there challenges or questions?*



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3. Worship

Close this section with a simple prayer thanking God for what He has done this week!



Worship

Notes:

- Always read from the Bible. **Use it as your only resource!**
- Always remember that you are modelling how they will do this in the future, so don't get too creative!

“For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for Me wholeheartedly, you will find Me.” Jeremiah 29:11-13

Hear & Obey (15-20 minutes)

4. New Lesson - What does the story **SAY**?

Let participants read the story 2 times in two different translations.

- *What do you learn about people in this story?*
- *What do you learn about Jesus in this story?*
- *Does your view of Jesus change? How?*
- *Where do you see yourself in this story? Why?*
- *How do lives change in this story?*



Learn

5. Application - What must I **OBEY**?

- *Is there anything you think you should do as a result of hearing this story?*



Correct

Notes:

- Before you read the story, explain that the Jews thought **Samaritans** were inferior to them. They usually avoided the Samaritans by travelling around their towns!



Guide

Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

John 4:4-18, 25-30, 39-43 (NLT)

4 He had to go through Samaria on the way. 5 Eventually He came to the Samaritan village of Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there; and Jesus, tired from the long walk, sat wearily beside the well about noontime. 7 Soon a Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, *"Please give me a drink."* 8 He was alone at the time because His disciples had gone into the village to buy some food.

9 The woman was surprised, for Jews refuse to have anything to do with Samaritans. She said to Jesus, "You are a Jew, and I am a Samaritan woman. Why are you asking me for a drink?"

10 Jesus replied, *"If you only knew the gift God has for you and who you are speaking to, you would ask Me, and I would give you living water."*

11 “But sir, You don’t have a rope or a bucket,” she said, “and this well is very deep. Where would You get this living water? 12 And besides, do You think you’re greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us this well? How can You offer better water than he and his sons and his animals enjoyed?”

13 Jesus replied, *“Anyone who drinks this water will soon become thirsty again. 14 But those who drink the water I give will never be thirsty again. It becomes a fresh, bubbling spring within them, giving them eternal life.”*

15 “Please, sir,” the woman said, “give me this water! Then I’ll never be thirsty again, and I won’t have to come here to get water.”

16 *“Go and get your husband,”* Jesus told her.

17 “I don’t have a husband,” the woman replied.

Jesus said, *“You’re right! You don’t have a husband— 18 for you have had five husbands, and you aren’t even married to the man you’re living with now. You certainly spoke the truth!”...*

25 The woman said, “I know the Messiah is coming—the One who is called Christ. When He comes, He will explain everything to us.”

26 Then Jesus told her, *“I am the Messiah!”*

27 Just then His disciples came back. They were shocked to find Him talking to a woman, but none of them had the nerve to ask, “What do you want with her?” or “Why are you talking to her?” 28 The woman left her water jar beside the well and ran back to the village, telling everyone, 29 “Come and see a man who told me everything I ever did! Could He possibly be the Messiah?” 30 So the people came streaming from the village to see Him..... 39 Many Samaritans from the village believed in Jesus because the woman had said, “He told me everything I ever did!” 40 When they came out to see Him, they begged Him to stay in their village. So He stayed for two days, 41 long enough for many more to hear his message and believe. 42 Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not just because of what you told us, but because we have heard Him ourselves. Now we know that He is indeed the Savior of the world.” 43 At the end of the two days, Jesus went on to Galilee.

Go & Tell (15-20 minutes)

6. Practice

Retell the story to model for them.

- *Let everyone retell or summarise the story.*
- *What is the main point of the story?*



Equip

7. Cast Vision

[Use the idea below or use your own idea: a Bible verse or a personal illustration to help participants see God's great love for them and how they can pass that love on to everyone!]



Vision

For a long time, the people in the Bible thought that the good news of Jesus was only for Jews and they kept it to themselves! After Jesus was resurrected, God made it clear to Paul that the good news was also for the Gentiles (everyone who is not a Jew). In **Acts 13:47-49** Paul and Barnabas are speaking to a huge crowd in a city and they say *"For the Lord gave us this command when he said, 'I have made you a light to the Gentiles, to bring salvation to the farthest corners of the earth.' When the Gentiles heard this, they were very glad and thanked the Lord for his message; and all who were chosen for eternal life became believers. So the Lord's message spread throughout that region."*

Don't keep this good news about Jesus to yourself! Share it with your friends and family, just like the Samaritan woman did!

8. Plan - With whom can I **SHARE**?

- *With whom can you share this story?*
- *Is there anyone you can invite to join us?*



Plan



Reproduce

9. Pray

Model a simple prayer for participants, asking God to give them understanding and a desire to share what they've heard with others.



Pray

Extra Challenge (verse to memorize or Bible passages to read)
Identity of Jesus



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