Activities:



Show children a sponge and a watering can. The sponge is great at soaking up water. But this watering can can share water. It's great to soak up what we learn about God like a sponge, but God wants us to share Him, too. We also need to be like watering cans, spreading God to everyone we know.

Activities:



Jesus said He has "water" that gives eternal life. What do you think He was really talking about? (salvation, forgiveness of sins) You have to keep drinking water all day to keep from getting thirsty. When you have Jesus in your heart, He is there forever. Show children the tub of water. Fill cups from it. This is how a well works. Once the water runs out, you cannot fill any more cups. Walk to a water fountain or sink and turn it on. The water fountain is attached to a water supply. You can get water from it whenever you want. How is Jesus' love like the fountain? (it never runs out) Is His love like the well at all? (no, the well can run out of water) Show children a bottle of water. When you have a bottle of water, it's just for you. Turn on the fountain. A water fountain is for everyone. Jesus is for everyone. We should be overflowing with His love so that everyone we know can see Him through us. We don't want to keep Jesus' love bottled up inside just for ourselves. We want to share the water.

If a sink or fountain isn't available, use the label below to put on a separate water bottle to discuss how' the water Jesus gave was different.

JESUS WATER

NEVER GO THIRSTY

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Activities:



Hide small prizes in the room. Have children follow treasure map clues to find it (you can write your own, or use the ones below, placing each clue in the location hinted in the previous one). As you pass out the prizes they have found, talk about how we don't have to go chasing after God, following complicated riddles. God has made Himself easy to find.

Follow the vine to the end of the line.

Behind a peaceful scene, is something to be seen.

Look up high, above something sailors tie.

Have you heard? The next clue is among the Holy Word.

Look a little lower. It's in the bottom drawer.

Upper Elementary

Woman at the Well



Name: _____

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JESUS	SAVIOR

Lower Elementary

Woman at the Well

Name:



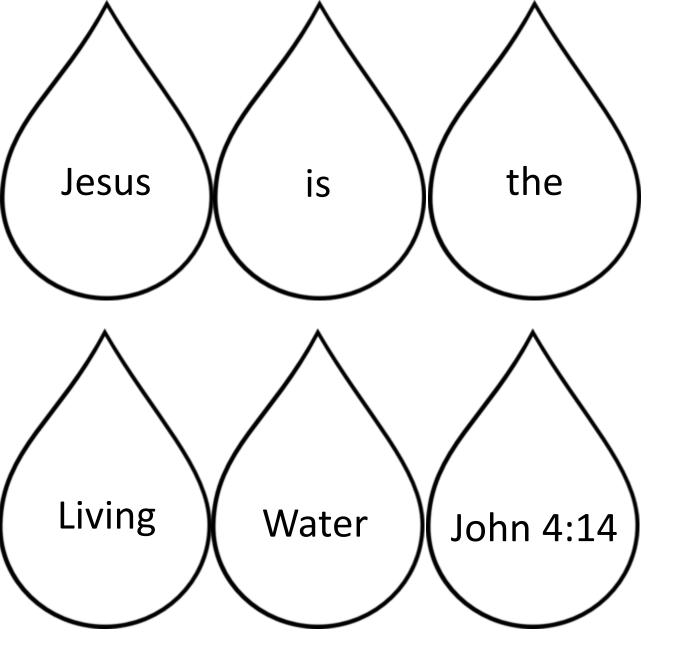
Jesus answered her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never thirst again; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life." ~John 4:13-14





- Children cut out water drops (encourage younger children to just cut a straight line of 3 water drops together)
- Teacher hole-punches water drops and cardboard
- Children tie water drops to string
- Teacher staples cardboard pieces to cup
- Children put pipe cleaner through cardboard pieces and tie string to pipe cleaner





Preschool

Coloring Page:



Encourage children to take blue tissue paper and glue it inside the heart. Talk about how when Jesus is in our hearts, our hearts are never thirsty. We have God's Spirit inside of us.

Modeling Dough:

Encourage children to make a well. Talk about how in old times people would walk for miles to collect enough water to use for the day. How much more amazing is it to have a sink in your home? Changing from having to go to a special place to feel close to God, and getting to feel close to God all the time is an even more amazing improvement.

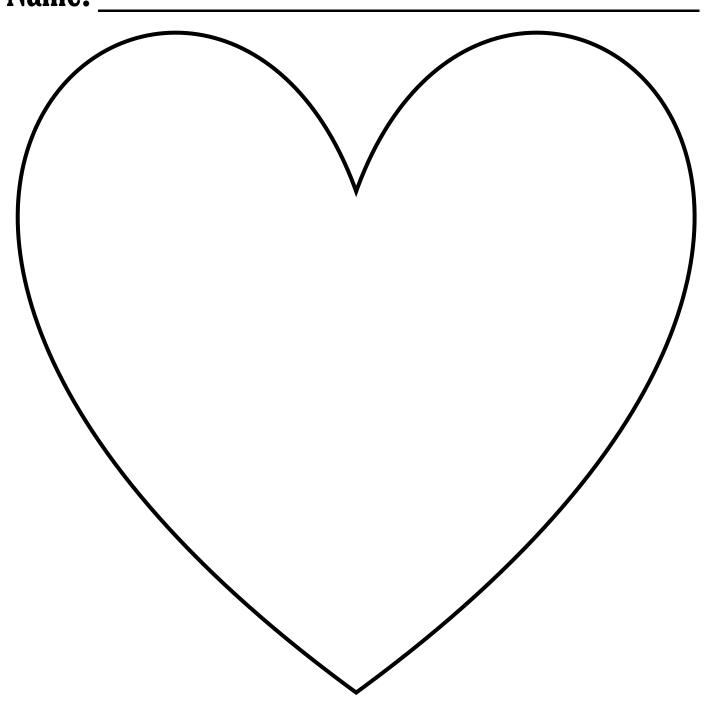
Game:

Hide a bottle of water for children to search for. After one child has found the water, they may hide it for the other children. Let all children take a turn. Talk about how Jesus is the living water. We want to have Him in our hearts to satisfy our thirst.

Woman at the Well



Name:



Jesus wants to fill my heart with living water.