

**Leader/Host Guide* for John 4:1-42 The Woman at the Well Week following
Nov 5,6, 2011**

*(please read the additional descriptions, instructions and notes on the yellow sample session format pages)

I. Gather, Nametags, Welcome and Icebreaker

Icebreaker suggestion:

The Woman at the Well was able to have both her physical and spiritual thirst satisfied. As an ice-breaker, you may want to ask the group to share a time when they were physically very thirsty. . . what were the circumstances? Do they remember what beverage they were able to use to quench their thirst?

II. Opening Prayer

Gracious God,

When Jesus spoke with the Woman at the Well, he helped her to put her priorities into perspective. Help each of us examine our own lives and focus on those things that are of lasting importance, especially our relationship with you and our sharing your love and grace with others. Help us to learn from your Word and from one another as we gather together this day.

In Jesus name we pray,

Amen

III. Bible, Sermon, Text Messages (Reflection Questions) and Faith in Action Discussion

IV. Memory/ Focus Verse Review

V. Wrap up and Looking Ahead

VI. Closing Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Lord God,

We know that your message of love and grace is for all people. Help us to reach out to those who may feel like outsiders in our world. Help us to be bold in sharing the "Living Water" you offer us. Thank you for the privilege of being your servants. Empower us in our serving.

In Jesus name,

Amen

VII. Adjourn