

STUDY ON THE WOMAN AT THE WELL (JOHN 4)

Divine Abundance 2026 Weekly Sermon Series

Warming Up... 1. Where do you most naturally avoid awkward or risky conversations with strangers (bus, work, neighbours, online, church)? 2. Share a time when you felt like an “outsider” or when you realised you were treating someone else as an “outsider” What happened?	Prayer Spend time to pray for each other in pairs – in particular focusing on what God has said to you through today’s study, and how you might apply what he’s said.
Living Water Read John 4:1-15 1. The woman is surprised that Jesus asks her for a drink. What reasons does she give, and what do those reasons show about the social rules of the time? 2. What do you think Jesus means by “living water?” What do you think he means in verse 14? What might that look like in life? 3. The woman’s first response is practical: “Give me this water so I won’t be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.” Where do you see yourself asking Jesus mainly to change your circumstances (the chore, the schedule, the problem) instead of your heart? Jesus knows Past and Present Read John 4:16-26 4. Think about the idea that her five husbands may point more to tragedy, loss, and vulnerability as opposed to scandal and shame. How would it change the way you see people if you think about their situations and struggles, instead of sinfulness? 5. Jesus knows her past and her present. Do you think our past affects how we trust or interact with other people? Are there situations in your past where it might affect how you love God? (e.g., broken trust, hard to trust God; difficult family, hard to feel God’s love) 6. Jesus says true worshippers worship in Spirit and truth — meaning it’s not about being a Samaritan or Jew. Do you think our cultural heritage affects how we worship? What do you think it means to put our relationship with God above our cultural heritage? Is our cultural heritage still important in our relationship with God?	The Harvest is Ready Read John 4:27-42 7. The disciples, like the woman, first take Jesus’ words literally. They are thinking he has had food. What does Jesus say his food is? How can this be food? 8. Do you think the fields are “ripe for harvest?” Why or why not? 9. The Samaritan woman is already “draw(ing) a wage, and harvest(ing) a crop for eternal life” by sharing the gospel with the town. What do you led her to be so active in sharing? What stops us from sharing? Application 10. Jesus tells the woman if she knew who he was, she would ask for living water. What do you need from Jesus? Will you take time this week to ask him for that living water? 11. Jesus tells the disciples to “lift up their eyes to see the harvest fields”. If you “lift up your eyes” over your week ahead, what might be a harvest field that is ripe?