

UNIT 20 | SESSION 3

## GOD LOVES ALL PEOPLE

1 CORINTHIANS 13

**KEY PASSAGE:**

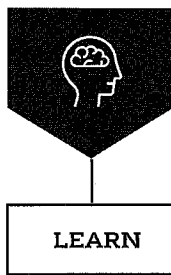
Romans 5:8

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

How do we know God loves us? We can know that God loves us because He gave us Jesus to forgive the sins of the world.

**CHRIST CONNECTION:**

God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. God is love, and God loves all people. He calls everyone who trusts in Jesus to love Him and love others.



## THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

### LEARN the Bible Story

#### 1 TELL THE BIBLE STORY: VIDEO OR STORYTELLER (10 minutes)

Open your Bible to John 4. Use the Bible storytelling tips to help you tell the story, or show the Bible story video "Jesus Told a Woman about Living Water." Use the bold text to retell or review the story.

#### JESUS TOLD A WOMAN ABOUT LIVING WATER

“Jesus had been teaching in Judea. He and His disciples began traveling back to Galilee. They traveled through Samaria and stopped in a town with a well. Jesus’ disciples went into town to buy food.

While Jesus was at the well, a Samaritan woman came to get water from the well. Jesus said to her, “Give Me a drink.”

The woman was surprised. “Why are You talking to me?” she asked. “You’re a Jew, and I’m a Samaritan.”

Jesus said, “I asked you for a drink. You don’t know who I am. If you did, you would have asked Me for a drink, and I would give you living water.”

The woman was confused. She said, “Sir, this well is deep, and You don’t have a bucket. Where do You get this ‘living water’?”

Jesus said, “Anyone who drinks this well water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks from the water I give will never be thirsty again! In fact, the water I give will become a well inside you, and you will have eternal life.” Jesus was talking about the Holy Spirit, but the woman did not understand.

“Sir,” she said, “give me this water. If I’m not thirsty, I won’t have to keep coming to this well to get water.”

“Go get your husband,” Jesus said.

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

Jesus knew she was telling the truth. He said, “You don’t have a husband now, but you’ve had five husbands.”

Jesus was right. “I see You are a prophet,” the woman said. Maybe this prophet could explain something to her. She said, “The Samaritans worship here on a mountain, but the Jews say we need to worship at the temple in Jerusalem.”

Jesus said, “Soon you will not need to be in either of those places to worship God in spirit and in truth.”

The woman said, “I know the Messiah is coming. When He comes, He will explain everything to us.”

Then Jesus said, “I am the Messiah.”

The woman left and told the people in her town, “Come, see a man who told me

#### STORYTELLING TIPS

**Use active listening:** Lead kids to listen for the word “water.” Tell kids that when they hear “water” they should pretend like they are drinking from a cup.

**Display a map:** Display the New Testament Israel Map and point to the regions of Judea (J3), Galilee (C5), and Samaria (F4,5). Explain that most Jewish people avoided Samaria and took a longer route to Galilee. Tell kids that Jesus went through Samaria and came to tell the good news to everyone.