

# Portraits of Grace: The Samaritan Woman

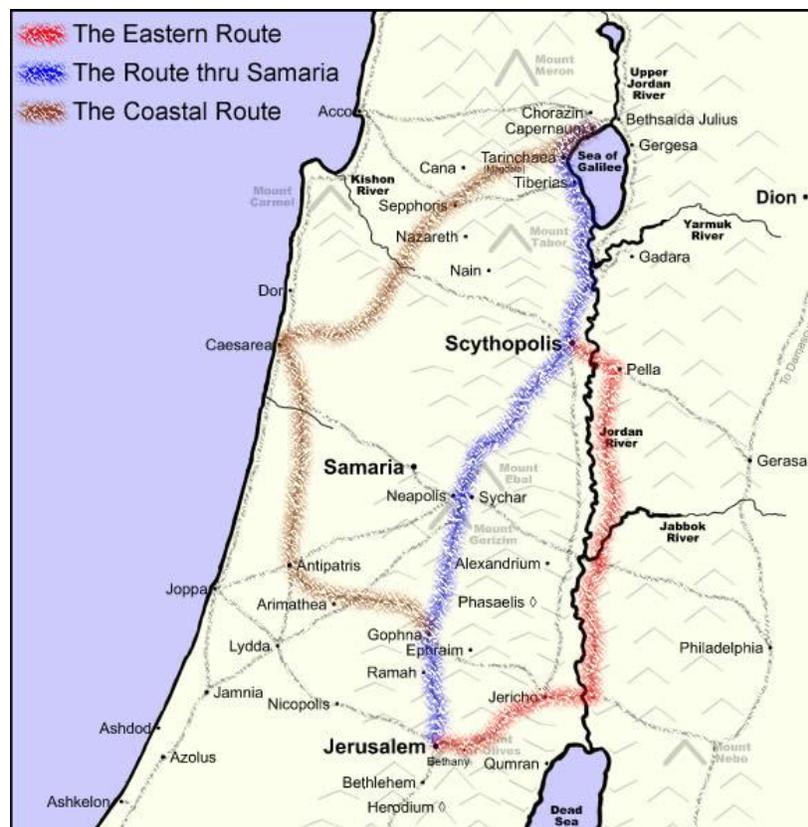
Jesus replied...“Those who drink the water I give will never be thirsty again. It becomes a fresh, bubbling spring within them, giving them eternal life.” –John 4:14

## Read:

John 4:1-42

## At a Glance:

- She was a Samaritan, shunned by Jews.
- She was from Sychar and an outcast in her own village.
- She'd had five husbands and wasn't married to the man she was living with.
- She shared with those in her village about her encounter with Jesus, and many of them believed.



# Reflection Questions

## As a Woman:

- *For your own introspection:* We all have things from our past that we'd like to keep hidden. What are the things you need to reveal to Jesus and ask Him to forgive? Let's face it, He already knows. He's just wants to hear it from you.
- Are there areas of your life where you use the excuse of religion or theology to mask your sin? What would it look like to dive deep into relationship with Jesus and find the truth?
- Jesus paints a beautiful picture of what it looks like to step across social and racial boundaries to offer love and relationship. How can you do the same in your own culture?

## As a Neighbor:

- Is there an outcast in your "village" that needs to hear about the living water you've experienced? How can you approach her and share Christ? You have incredible news to share. Are you keeping it all to yourself or do they need to hear it first-hand from you?
- In this time of social distancing, how can you be a good neighbor to those around you? What are some tangible ways you can encourage and serve others in your community this week?
- Tell your story. You don't need to have a script or know tons of scripture or have all the answers. Your testimony alone could be the one avenue the Holy Spirit uses to change the life of someone with whom you have a chance encounter today.

## Ask Yourself:

How do I relate to the Samaritan woman?

How did God use her and speak to her?

How is God speaking to me through her story?