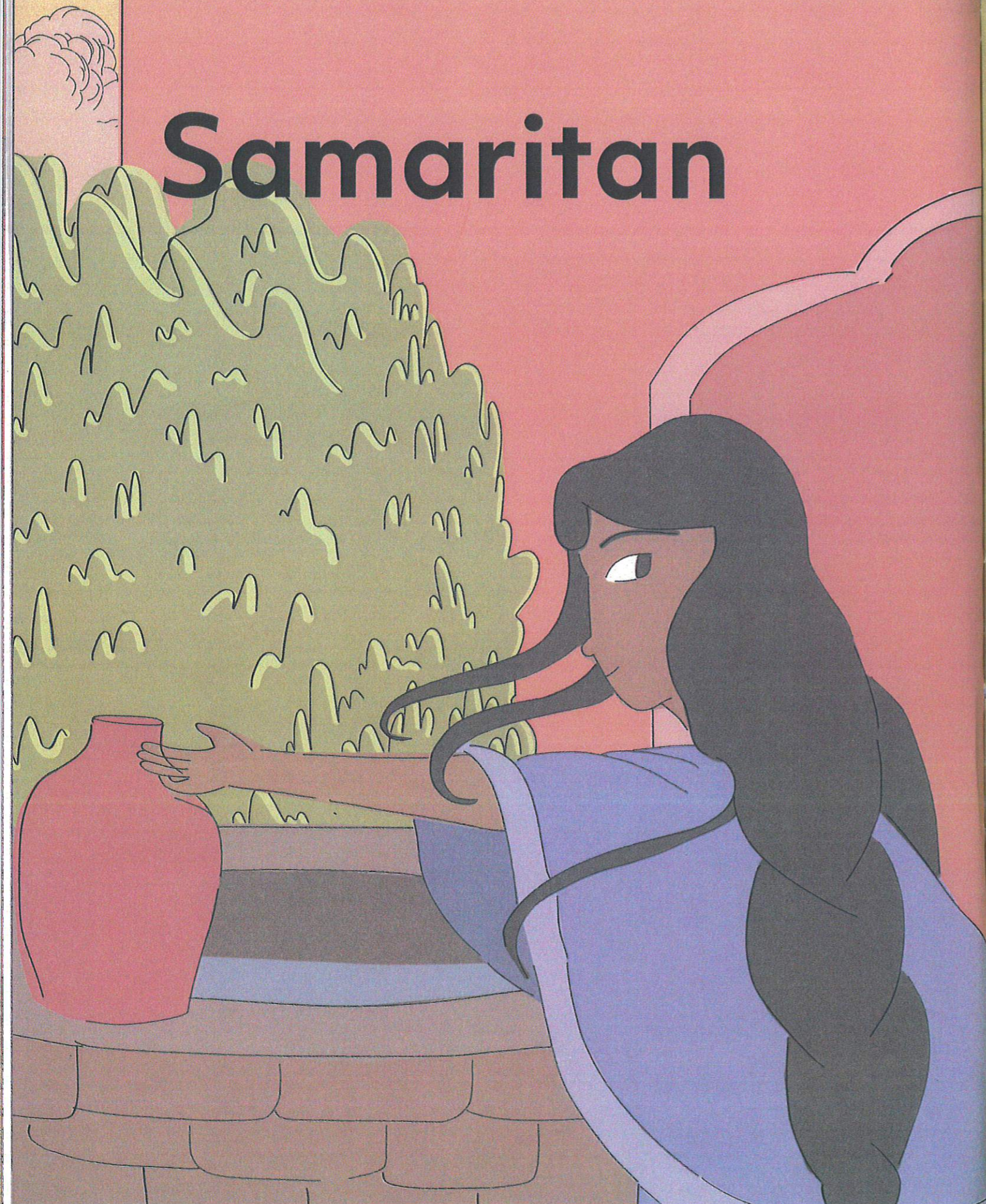
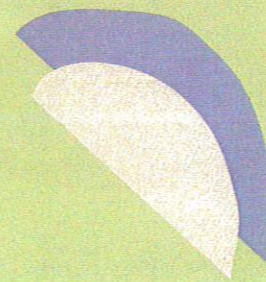


Samaritan



**“...whoever drinks
the water I give
them will never
thirst. Indeed, the
water I give them
will become in
them a spring of
water welling up
to eternal life.”**

John 4:14



Samaritan



Jesus entered Samaria on his way to Galilee. The day grew hot as he entered town.



Friends, please go into town and gather food for our travels. I will wait here for a bit of rest and water.



Let's go!



In the heat of the day, a Samaritan woman approached Jacob's well, and Jesus spoke.



Hello.



Hello.



Could you give me a cool drink from the well?



Who, me?



Yes.



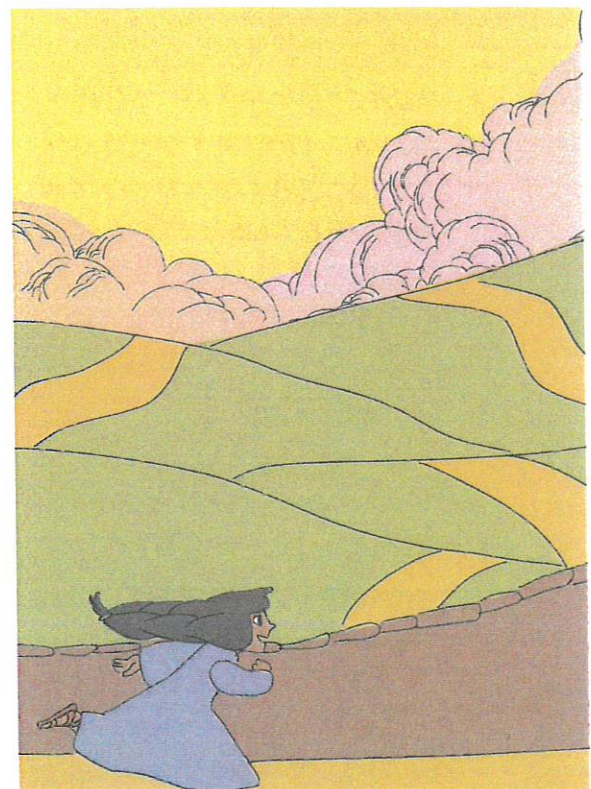
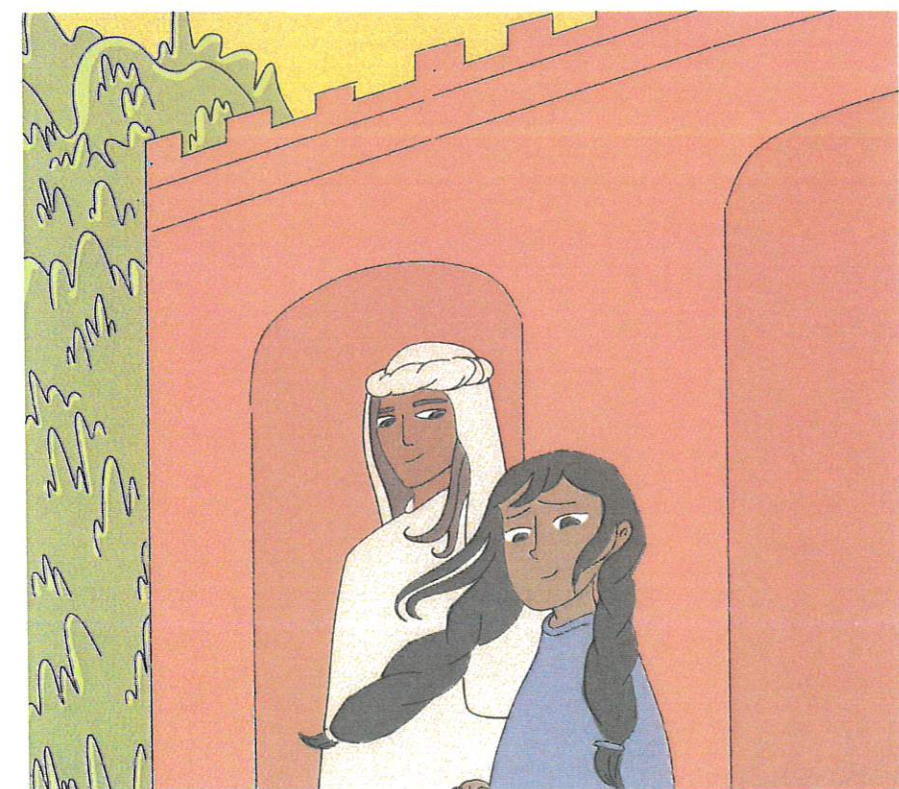
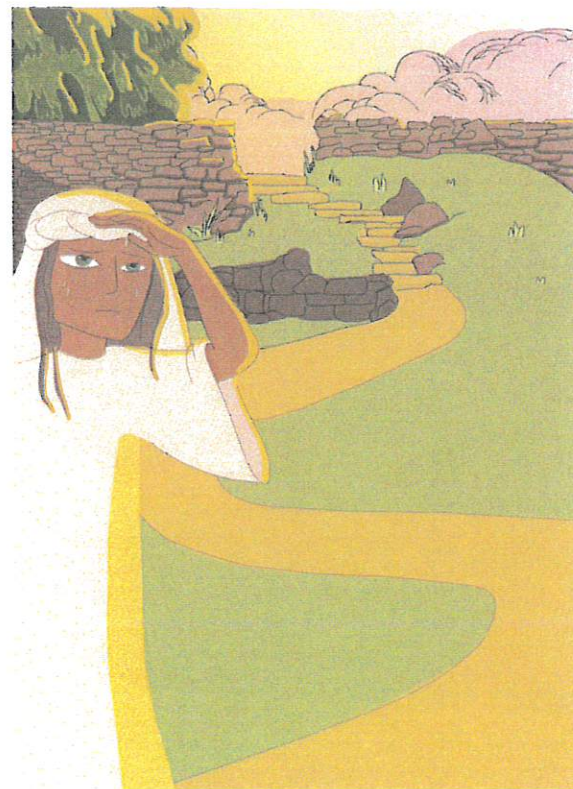
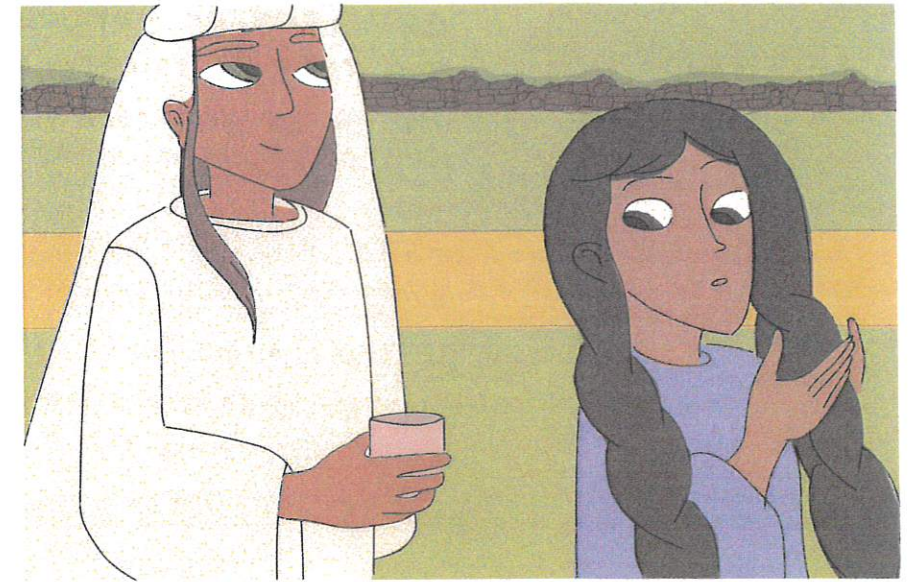
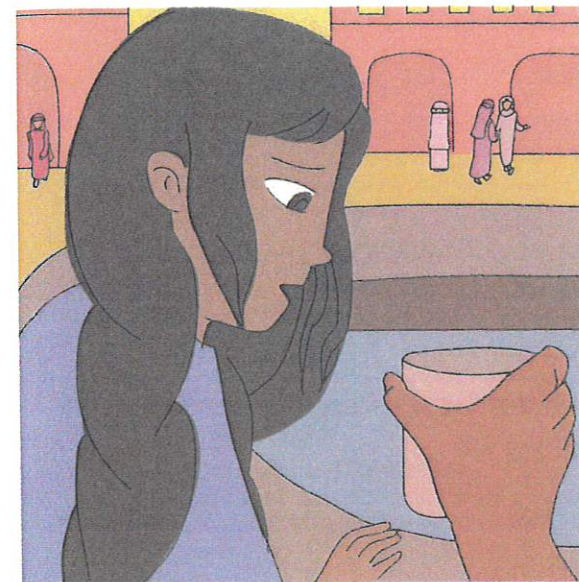
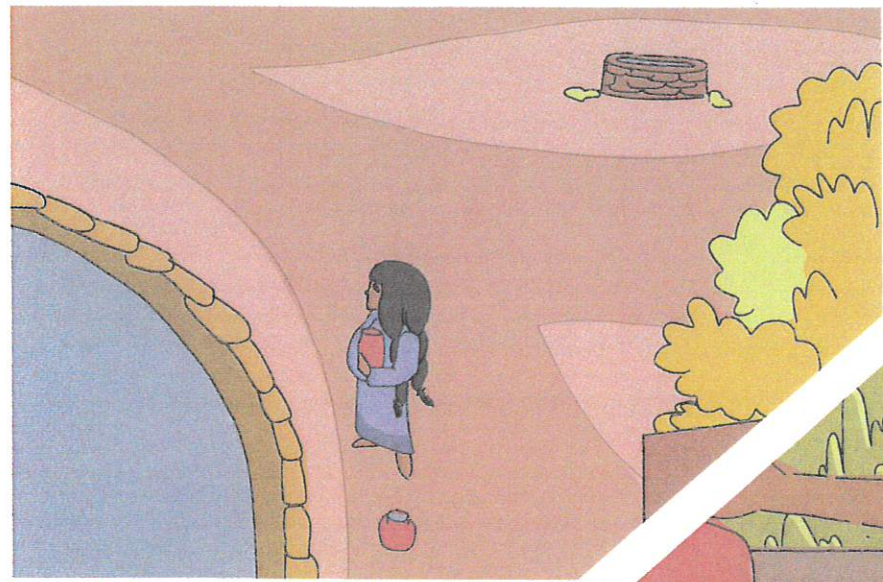
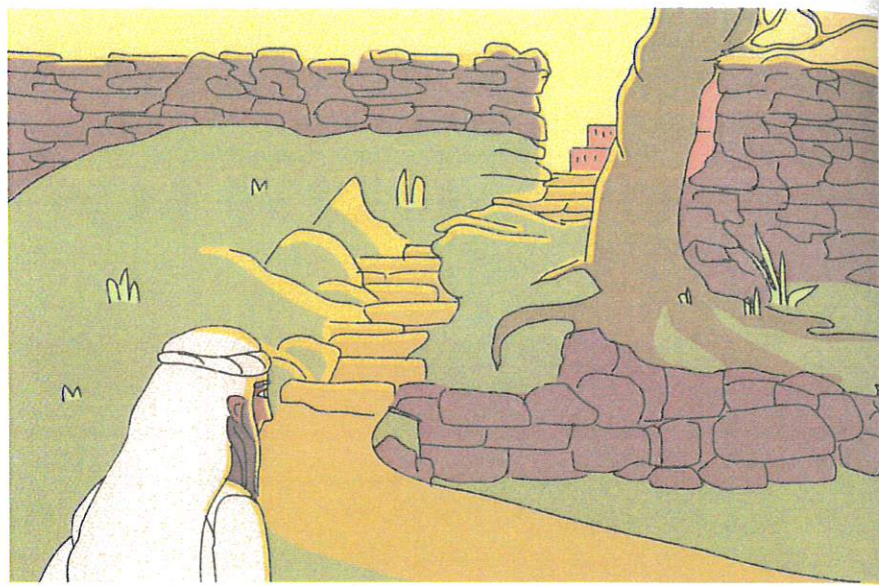
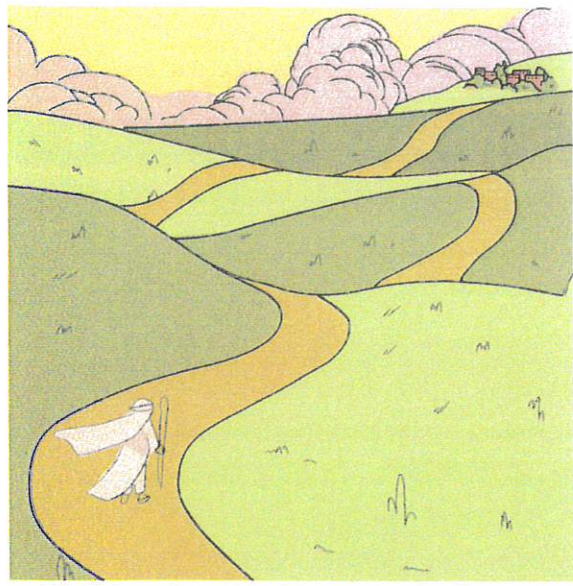
Are you not afraid to speak to someone so different? Samaritans and Jews are not friends. Besides, I don't have a cup for you to quench your thirst.



I know you, and many like you. You, too, are thirsty, but for something more, the water that will give you true life.



The woman ran into town telling the entire village she met the one who came to save the world.



Field Notes

Did you know there are four Gospels? All four are important because they all share the good news about Jesus and his resurrection.

JESUS ENTERED A PLACE THAT WAS VERY HOT, WHERE MOST PEOPLE GOT THEIR WATER FROM THE WELL EARLY IN THE MORNING OR LATE IN THE EVENING, BECAUSE THEY STAYED INSIDE DURING THE HEAT OF THE DAY. SO IN THOSE DAYS, IF YOU WERE AN OUTSIDER OR NOT WELCOME IN A VILLAGE, YOU KEPT TO YOURSELF AND FETCHED YOUR WATER BY YOURSELF DURING THE DAY WHEN IT WAS VERY HOT.

WHEN YOU READ THE BIBLE, YOU REALIZE NOTHING IS RANDOM. JESUS IS TRYING TO TELL US SOMETHING. HE WANTS US TO KNOW THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN EVERYONE, EVEN THOSE WHO MAY NOT HAVE VERY MANY FRIENDS, LIKE THE SAMARITAN WOMAN.

JACOB'S WELL: DID YOU KNOW THAT THE WELL JESUS REFERS TO IS ANCIENT, FROM WAY BACK IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, AND THAT IT STILL EXISTS TODAY? IF YOU GO TO ISRAEL, YOU CAN DRINK FROM JACOB'S WELL YOURSELF.

JACOB'S WELL: DID YOU KNOW THAT THE WELL JESUS VISITS IN THIS ACCOUNT IS ONE THAT JEWS NORMALLY WOULD NOT HAVE VISITED? INSTEAD, THEY WOULD HAVE WALKED AROUND IT BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT BEING IN SAMARIA WOULD MAKE THEM UNCLEAN. BUT JESUS IS THE ONE WHO IS SO CLEAN THAT HE MAKES THE UNCLEAN CLEAN.

IN ANCIENT CULTURE, MEN NEVER MET WITH WOMEN IN PUBLIC UNLESS THEY WERE THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS. IN THIS ENCOUNTER WITH THE SAMARITAN WOMAN, JESUS IS SAYING THAT HE IS ABLE TO GO OUTSIDE THE BOUNDS OF THE RULES OF THE WORLD TO CONNECT WITH CREATION.

Have you ever felt like an outsider? Share how you feel here...

Did someone ever comfort you when you needed it most?

What did they do?

Remember, Jesus wants us all to know that he is interested in us and will comfort us. Even when we feel like we don't belong, we always belong to Jesus.

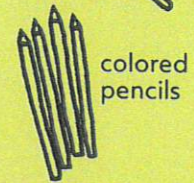
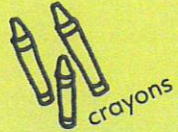
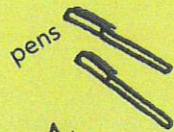
Comic Strip

THINK ABOUT THE MAIN IMAGE OF THIS STORY: JACOB'S WELL. IMAGINE THE WELL YOU WOULD CREATE, DOES IT LOOK LIKE A WELL IN AN ADVENTURE STORY? NOW THAT YOU HAVE IMAGINED THE SETTING, IT'S TIME TO DRAW YOUR COMIC.

REMEMBER TO INCLUDE JESUS, JACOB'S WELL, AND THE SAMARITAN WOMAN.

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