

# WEEK 3

## GOD IS TRUTH

GOD'S WORD IS THE LIGHT THAT EXPOSES SIN  
PRIMARY LESSON GUIDE

### THE FOUR KEYS

#### KEY VERSE

Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

#### KEY IDEAS

1. God's Word reveals what is true and false.
2. God's Word helps us know right from wrong.
3. God's Word shows our sin and draws us closer to Him.

#### KEY PASSAGE

John 4 (woman at the well)

#### KEY PRINCIPLES



EVERY CHILD SHOULD KNOW . . .

God's Word is right and true, never fails, shows us our sin and helps us grow closer to Him.



EVERY CHILD SHOULD FEEL . . .

glad to know that God gives us His Word so we can know what He desires for us.



EVERY CHILD SHOULD BE ABLE TO . . .

recognize their sin and know that it separates them from God.



EVERY CHILD SHOULD WANT . . .

to obey God's Word and have fellowship with God.

# INTRODUCTION

God is the creator of the universe, and He gives meaning to everything He creates. God alone has the authority to define what is true and false. In the Old Testament, God gave His people truth by speaking to them and by revealing His Word through His chosen messengers. In the New Testament, the disciples who followed Jesus recorded the true things He said and did. We can know truth today by reading God's Word. The Bible tells us who God is and what His purpose is for all of His creation. God wants us to know Him and know truth by reading His Word and living it out for His glory!

## OPENING ILLUSTRATION

Begin class by explaining to the children that you are going to turn off all the lights to make it as dark as possible. Ask, "Does anyone know what a flashlight is used for?" Explain that a flashlight is used to shine light into dark places so we can see better. Demonstrate how light exposes the darkness by asking children to help you locate different things around the room by shining a light on it. You can even hide new things in the classroom before class time to further illustrate the point that it is easy for sin to hide in darkness. Talk about how God's Word shines light in the darkness because God Himself is light. Use this to introduce the concept that today's story is about a Samaritan woman who met Jesus and He showed her that she was a sinner, but He also showed her that He loved her and she could be forgiven!

## STORY

Read John 4 and the story of the woman at the well. Use the Jesus Storybook Bible if you have it.

Use the following questions for discussion:

1. Why was the woman so surprised that Jesus was speaking to her? The woman was from Samaria and Jesus was a Jew. Jews and Samaritans did not get along and would not normally speak to each other. Not only did Jesus speak to her, but He went out of His way on His journey to meet her and show her that God loved her!
2. Jesus spoke to the woman at the well when others would not have. How would you have felt if you were her?
3. How do you think Jesus knew everything about the woman? Jesus is the Son of God and God is three in one, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. So, Jesus is God! He knew everything about her and He knows everything about you and me and all of us because He created us! Jesus knows everything about us, the numbers of hairs on our heads, and how we have sinned against Him and He loves us anyway!
4. What did Jesus mean when He said that He would give her living water? Jesus meant that her sin would never be able to satisfy her the way He could. God gives us everything we could ever need in Him. He is the well that will never run dry!
5. The fact that Jesus knew the woman when she had not told him anything about herself changed her life. She was shocked! These were things no one else knew about her, and she had never told Him any of it! She knew that only God could've done that, and she believed in Him so much that she went and told everyone she met what Jesus had done. She believed that He was truly the Son of God!

## ACTIVITY

Use the activity sheet provided with the lesson to help the kids make a well. Ask them if they've ever been thirsty and needed a drink? Talk about how just like water refreshes our bodies when we're thirsty, Jesus showed the Samaritan woman that He is the One who refreshes our souls. Our sin can never satisfy us or make us joyful the way that Jesus can!

## PRAYER

Thank God that He knows everything about us and that He loves us anyway. Thank Him that His Word helps us see our sin and know that we need Him. Thank Him that He offers us living water because He gives us everything we need and He never runs out of blessings.

## SONG

The B.I.B.L.E

# FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

Psalms 139, Isaiah 43:1, John 10:3,14, Luke 12:7, John 1:1, Psalm 119:11

## ACTIVITY

Use the coloring sheet in your take home packet to start a dialogue with your child about how the Word of God exposes our sin and shows us our need for a Savior. Talk about how Jesus satisfies our every need and He is the well that will never run dry!

## DISCUSSION

- What is sin?  
Explain that sin is anything we say or do that dishonors God.
- How does God's Word reveal our sin?  
God shows us through His Word what His plan is for us and how we can bring honor and glory to Him because He created us. By recognizing our sin, asking for forgiveness in Jesus, and believing in Him, we can be forgiven.
- What is the living water that Jesus gives?  
Jesus is our Savior and when we choose to place our faith and trust in Him for forgiveness of our sins, we receive the Holy Spirit as a helper who helps us follow God faithfully and reject our sin. Jesus gives living water because He is the source of life and everything that sustains us. He is the well that never runs dry and the only One who can satisfy our souls.

## PRAYER

Thank God that He shows us our sin so that we can repent and be forgiven in Jesus. Ask God to help you see your sins more clearly and have faith to trust that He will forgive and restore you.



# Well with the memory verse

## What you need

Template pages, (on paper or cardstock)

Colored pencils,

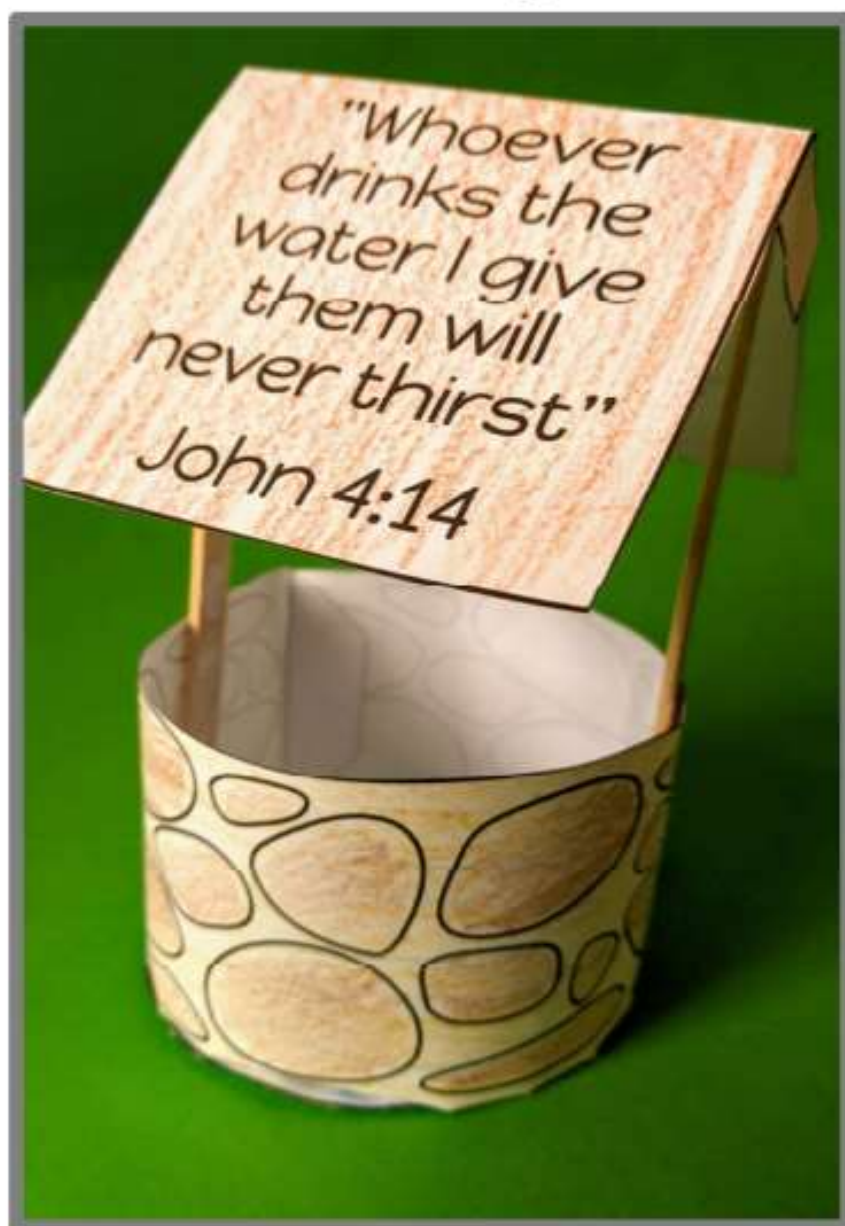
Scissor,

Glue,

Two craft sticks.

## Bonus

Fill the well with  
a snack or treat.



## What to do



Color the template page.

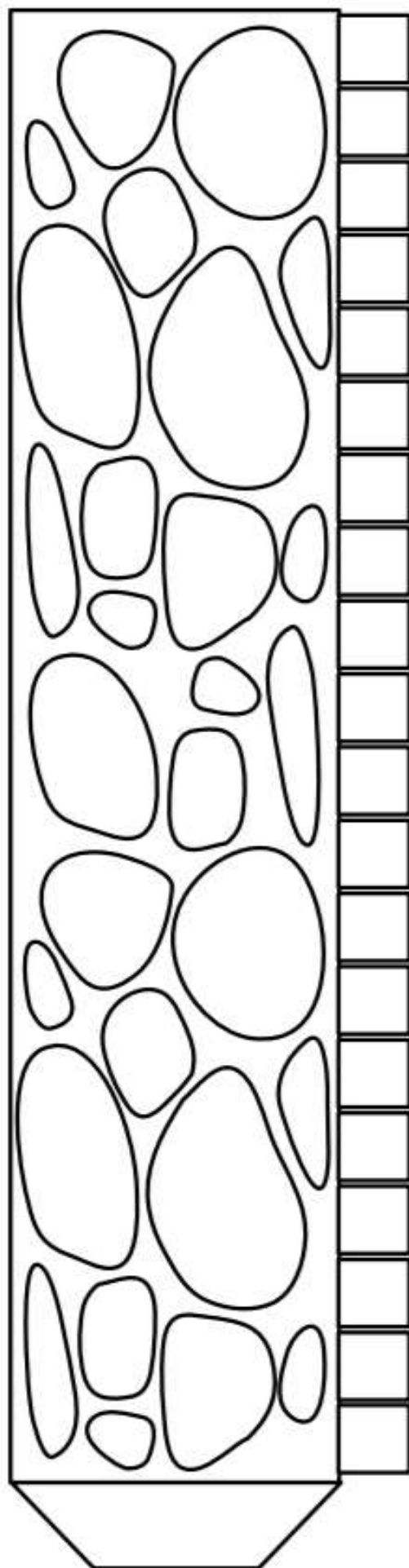


Cut out the template and  
glue the base together.



Glue craft sticks onto the  
base and attach the roof.





"Whoever  
drinks the  
water I give  
them will  
never thirst."  
John 4:14

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