

("CHRIST AND THE WOMAN OF SAMARIA" from First Presbyterian Church, Wichita, Kansas)

John 4: 13

Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."



Jesus had places to go, and people to meet, before His appointment with the cross

And possessed full knowledge, as a Jewish man, many laws of His people He would toss

Thus, walking toward Galilee, the town of Samaria, Jesus absolutely HAD to go through

Not the customary route, but His preferred course, based on what God needed Him to do.

Since Jews and Samaritans hated each other, avoidance was the proper way

But Divine necessity, caused Jesus to depart, for the town of Samaria without delay

Weary from travel, at Jacob's Well, was where Jesus rested about noon

For our Lord and Savior knew the Samaritan woman would seek to draw water soon.

In just a little while, a woman approached, carrying a huge pot upon her head

One can only imagine, her lifeless gait, accompanied by eyes that were empty and dead

But after talking to Christ about living water, she, with the others did immediately share

And despite her reputation, many came to meet Jesus; an action from them so rare.

That day at the well, the world found out that God loves both you and me

In spite of our state, it is only His water that will set His children free

Jesus' simple request to drink from a cup, showed His desire to save the lost

Courageously breaking through man-made barriers, to Him, at great personal cost.