

Bereans Bible Institute
Module VI – The Life of Christ
Lesson 6 – Detour through Samaria (Part 1)

I. Jesus departed from Judea for Galilee (Did Jesus do miracles in Judea? – Jn. 2:23; 3:1-2; 4:45)

A. When John was imprisoned (Matt. 4:12), after hearing that the Pharisees knew that He baptized more people than John (John 4:1-3).

B. *“He needed to go through Samaria.”* (John 4:4) imperfect active indicative verb – lit. *“He **was determined** to go through Samaria.”*

1. animosity between the Jews and Samaritans (racism & religious tensions)

a. *“Good Samaritan”* illustrates this barrier (Luke 10:25-37)

2. Jews avoided Samaria, travelling on the eastern side of Jordan to keep the festivals in Jerusalem

3. The Samaritans were hostile to Jews passing through Samaria to keep the feasts (Luke 9:51-56)

C. A stop at a famous landmark – Jacob’s Well (John 4:5-6)

1. 6th hour (v. 6) Roman time counts hours from midnight & noon (6:00pm) (cf. Jn. 19:14), Jewish time counts hours from sunset and sunrise (cf. Luke 23:44).

2. The conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan woman (vss. 7-26)

a. Vss. 7-15 The *“gift of God”* – immortality via resurrection (Rom. 6:23)

1. What is *“living water?”*

1. *“Living water”* from the Throne of God waters the Tree of Life (Gen. 2:8-10; Ezek. 47:1-12; Rev. 2:7; Rev. 22:1-5; Rev. 22:14,17)

2. The Spirit is the deposit on immortality (Jn. 7:37-39; Rom. 8:11; Eph. 1:13-14)