

Today's Bible Story: Woman at the Well • John 4:1-26, 39-42

Jesus cares about everyone everywhere.

Key Question: Who does Jesus care about?

Bottom Line: Jesus cares about everyone.

Memory Verse: *How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.* • Ephesians 3:18 NIV

1. No Paint Painting

What You Need:

- "No Paint Painting" Activity Page
- Blue tissue paper
- Clothespins
- Small plastic cups or bowls
- Water
- Paper towels

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "No Paint Painting" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper. For each child and leader, fold a half sheet of tissue paper into a 2-inch square and clip with a clothespin. Fill cups/bowls halfway with water and set on the table with the tissue paper clothespins.

During the Activity: Encourage children to dip their tissue paper clothespin into the water then brush it across their paper. Watch how the wet tissue paper paints their picture.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Look at your paper! Who do you see? (*Pause for responses.*) That's right! It's the woman at the well, and look! There's Jesus too! Today you are going to paint your picture with this (*hold up a tissue paper clothespin*) and water!"

During the Activity: "Dip it in the water like this (*demonstrate*), then brush it over your paper. (*Pause.*) Did you color your paper? (*Pause.*) Wow! Keep painting! The water is making the blue paper paint your picture! How cool! Keep painting. (*Pause.*) Great job!"

After the Activity: "In our Bible Story, Jesus was sitting by a well and asked a woman for a drink of water. Jesus told her about living water, love that never runs out! Her heart was tired and sad, but Jesus helped her feel full of joy. She ran back to her town and told everyone that Jesus is the Savior. And the whole town believed in Him! Jesus cared about the woman and her friends, even though they were from a different place, because **[Bottom Line] Jesus cares about**

everyone, no matter where they live! Who cares about everyone? *[Bottom Line]* **Jesus cares about everyone!**"

2. Pray

Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to love us no matter where we live! Please be with our friends and family who live all over. And help us love and care for them too. You're the best, God. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."