



Week beginning March 8th

Stretching into abundant life together

Opening Questions

- In this country we take our plentiful water supply for granted most of the time. Have you ever visited or read about somewhere where water is scarcer? How do people view their water supply there?
- Have you ever had a good conversation with someone unexpected – perhaps a stranger or someone you thought you would have nothing in common with? What happened? Did it change your thinking in any way?

Getting into the text

Read John 4:5-14

- Why do you think the Samaritan woman was coming alone to the well at the hottest time of the day?
- Why was she surprised when Jesus asked her for a drink? What boundaries was he crossing?
- Jesus talks to her about the 'living water' he offers. What would accepting this water mean for her?



- Jesus describes the living water as a spring. What does this tell you about the effect it has in a believer's life?

Applying the Bible to your life

- How do you draw on Jesus' living water day by day?

- What does a community which draws on Jesus' living water look like? What shapes its attitudes? How does it relate to those on the outside?

- How can St Philips continue to grow into this kind of community? What boundaries might need to be crossed to reach new people?

Something to pray about

In Isaiah 55:1 God says, '**Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters.**'

- Offer to God any areas of your life where you need to receive a fresh outpouring of 'living water.'
- Pray for opportunities as an individual and as a church to share Jesus' living water with others.