

The Woman at the Well

Baby and Toddler Lesson



Story



One day, Jesus visited a town in Samaria.

He was tired and thirsty.

He sat down by Jacob's well to rest.

It was the middle of the day, and the sun was very hot.

A Samaritan woman came to fetch some water.

She went in the middle of the day so that no one would see her.

She was embarrassed by some things she had done.

Jesus asked her for water.

Then He said that He was the living water.

Jesus is most important thing people need.

The woman couldn't believe that she had met the Messiah.

The Samaritan woman told all her friends about Jesus.

Lots of people listened to her and put their trust in Jesus.

Fill up the cup

Jesus said that the water He gives “becomes a fresh, bubbling spring giving eternal life.” In this activity children will make the water overflow out of a cup.

Skills learned:



Fine Motor skills



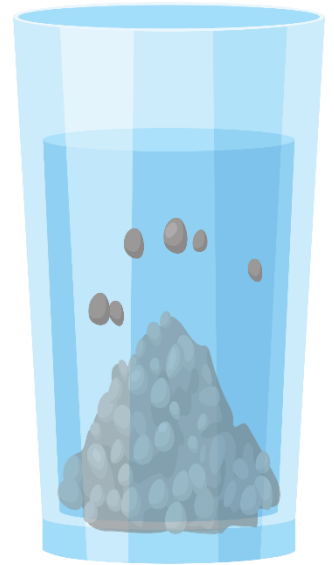
Scientific skills



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Materials needed:

- A transparent plastic cup
- Smooth stones or gravel
- Tray
- Water



Preparation:

- Place the cup on a tray

Steps:

For Babies and Toddlers:

Ask the child to pour water into the cup. Assist as needed.

They should fill the cup to over half full.

Tell the child to look at the cup with water. Cup should be transparent so that child can see the whole thing.

Ask the child to grab some smooth rocks and place them into the cup.

Count the rocks as you place them in the water.

Watch as the water goes up too as you put more rocks in the cup!

Ask the child to continue until the water overflows out of the cup and onto the tray.

Fetch water from the well

The woman went to collect water from Jacob's well.

Skills learned:



Gross Motor skills



Imagination



Nature

Materials needed:

An inflatable pool or basin full of water.

A bucket with rope.

A child safe cup



Preparation:

Fill an inflatable pool or basin full of water. (Make sure it always remains supervised).

Steps:

For Babies and Toddlers:

Give the child something like this cup or bucket:

Ask children to come around the pool or basin and lower their buckets as if fetching water in a well.

They can pretend the pool/basin to be the well.

They can use the fetched water to water the plants or fill containers.

For toddlers, you can add a rope to the bucket to be lowered into the well and raised with water.

Didn't Get Caught

The woman went to the well in the middle of the day so that she won't get seen.

Skills learned:



Concentration



Music



Gross Motor skills

Materials needed:

A Music player

Preparation:

Clear a safe area for the children to dance.

Steps:

For Toddlers:

This is just like the Freeze game but with a twist.

Invite children to the centre of the room.

Make sure they have space around them.

Have an adult stand in front facing away from the children.

Play a song so that everyone dances.

When the person in front turns around to look at the child(ren), they must freeze and not move!

In a group of older toddlers, the one who moves first will become the one to stand at the front of the room.



Midday shadows

Jesus met the woman at the well at midday.

Skills learned:



Sight



Creativity



Scientific skills

Materials needed:

Chalk
Paper
Crayons
Paint

Preparation:

Make sure the child is protected from the sun.



Steps:

For Babies and Toddlers:

Go outside at midday. (or another time of day if needed)

Say that the sun is overhead at midday.

Let the child observe shadows that sunlight creates on trees, on benches, and other items.

Give the child items to hold and observe how they make shadows.

Give toddlers chalk to use on the ground or paper with crayons or paint to trace the shadows.

Hang they artwork.

Rainbow Fruit Ice Cubes

Jesus was thirsty at the well and asked the Samaritan woman for water. This fun activity will encourage children to drink water.

Skills learned:



Materials needed:

Fruit.
Ice cube tray
Water
Freezer.

Preparation:

None



Steps:

For Babies and Toddlers:

Start by washing the fruit in a bowl.

Ask the children to sort the fruit by placing into an ice cube tray.

Each cube should be a different fruit.

Talk about the fruit, the smell, colour.

Count how many cubes of different fruit are in the tray.

When each compartment in the tray has been filled with fruit, pour over water to fill them all up.

Place in a freezer overnight or until frozen solid. (You may prepare some in advance)

Show the child how the water turns to ice.

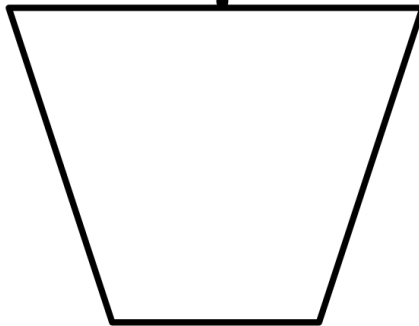
Have them pop out some ice cubes and place into a cup of water for a refreshing drink.

Join the dots

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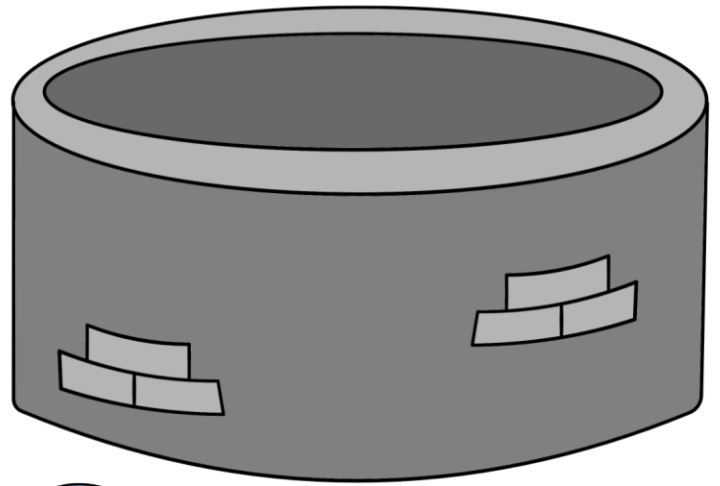


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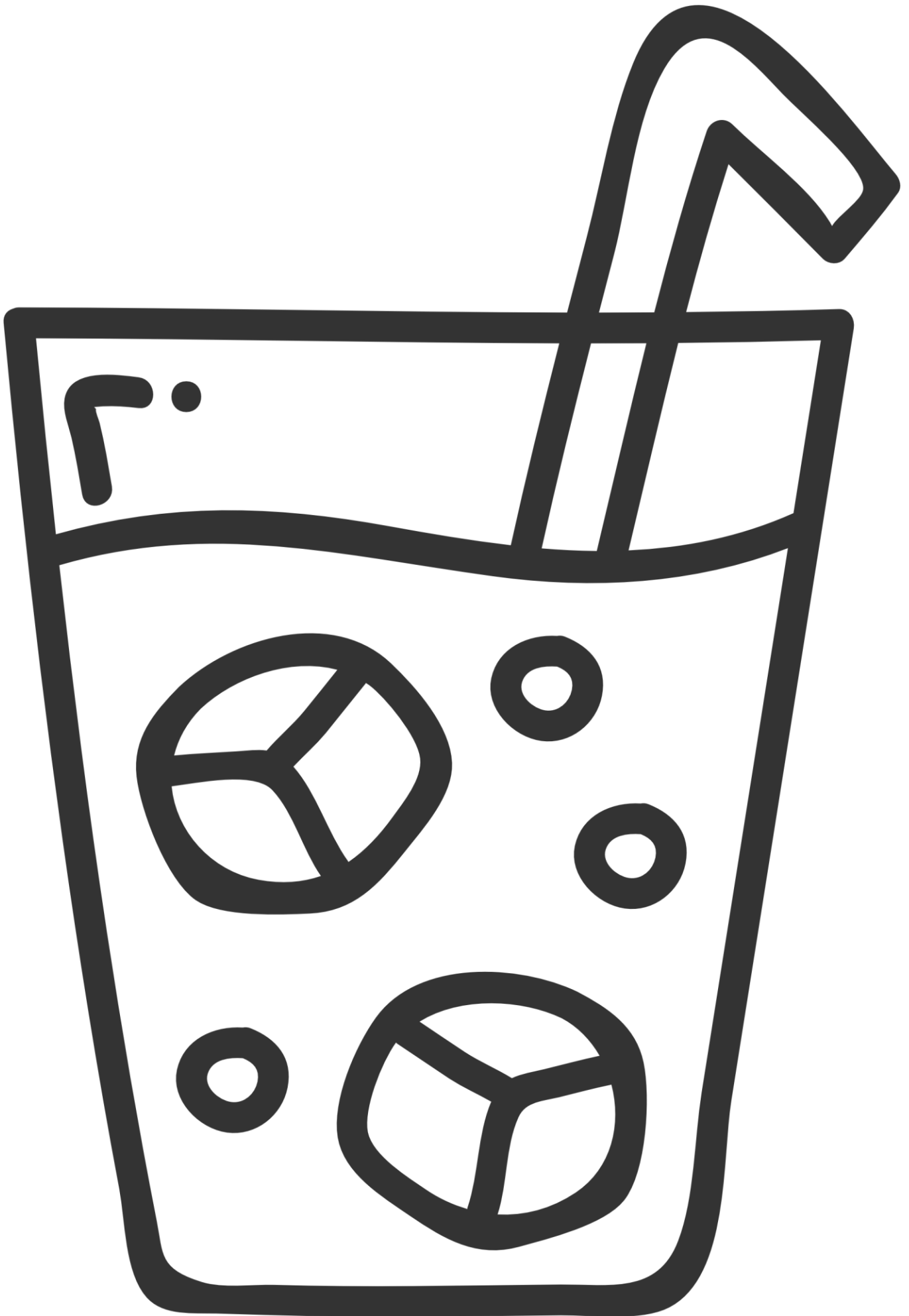
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Use paint, play dough, or tissue paper to fill the cup with water



Songs



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Living Waters

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