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Devotional Thoughts from Pastor Jim Murr...

"Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again.'"

John 4: 13-14a

What's the point of eating breakfast if I'm going to be hungry again at lunch time? What's the point of taking a shower today if I'm going to need to take another one tomorrow? What's the point of sleeping last night if I'm going to need to sleep again tonight? The point of doing these things is that they sustain us, albeit, temporarily. How would it be if you only had to do things once, and then be done with that particular activity? Brush your teeth once in your life, and you're good for the rest of your life! Or, better yet ... exercise once and you never need to do it again! That would be the deal!

Jesus told the woman at the well that the water she was drinking was only a temporary "fix." "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again." We're used to this fact of life. Life is kind of like a series of bus transfers in order to get to your destination. One bus may only get you so far, and so you need to get off of that bus and wait for the next one. Or, maybe a better example would be when you need to catch a connecting flight. You fly from Chicago to Atlanta just so you can get to Los Angeles, or whatever. You get the point.

Jesus wanted the woman (and us) to know that we will never need a transfer from Him to the next person or thing to put our trust in. Jesus is not just a "connecting flight." He's everything! He said, "Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again." He's taking us where we want and need to go. How great is that!

Jesus is the source for everything we need. He's our Forgiver. He's our Strength. He's our Encourager, our Teacher, our Master, our Hope, our Wisdom, our Protector. Need I say more? Jesus isn't just ONE of the places we need to look for the most important things we need in life. He's the one and only! If you are still sensing a need in your life, you don't need to add some other thing to the list. You may just need to delve deeper into all the things that Jesus is for us. Get to know Him better than you already do. Study the pages of Scripture diligently. Jesus is everything we need.

God's Peace!
Pastor Jim