



The water bottle

AT A GLANCE


Bible

John 4:13–14


Topic

Water that really satisfies


Takeaway

Jesus quenches the thirst nothing else can



5 minutes



Object: a water bottle (half empty) and a jug of water for refilling



Preparation: 5 min



indoors or outdoors



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic “Water that really satisfies”. Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

1 min

Opening

Show the half-empty bottle. Ask: What happens when you run out of drink on a hike?

2 min

Story

Jesus is tired and thirsty and sits down by a well. A woman comes to draw water. Jesus asks her for a drink – and then tells her about a different kind of water: “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst.” The woman realises: Jesus means something deeper than water.

1 min

Thought

Our bodies need water again and again. But our hearts are thirsty too: for love, for friendship, for meaning. Jesus says: with me you find what your heart really needs. Refill the bottle – just as Jesus fills up our lives, new every day.

1 min

Question for all

What is your heart thirsty for right now?



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Prayer to read aloud

Jesus, you give water that really satisfies. Fill my heart with your love, new every day. Amen.



For leaders

- Let a child read the prayer aloud – it builds confidence.
- Two or three answers to the question are enough. Nobody has to say anything.
- Leave the object in view until the end of the meeting.



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