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Matt Price

Running With The Giants

John 4:1-42 (CSB) - ¹When Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard he was making and baptizing more disciples than John²(though Jesus himself was not baptizing, but his disciples were), ³he left Judea and went again to Galilee. ⁴He had to travel through Samaria: ⁵so he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar near the property that Jacob had given his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, worn out from his journey, sat down at the well. It was about noon.

⁷A woman of Samaria came to draw water. "Give me a drink." Jesus said to her. ⁸because his disciples had gone into town to buy food.

⁹"How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" she asked him. For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.

¹⁰Jesus answered, "If you knew the gift of God, and who is saving to you. 'Give me a drink.' you would ask him, and he would give you living water."

¹¹"Sir," said the woman, "you don't even have a bucket, and the well is deep. So where do you get this 'living water'? ¹²You aren't greater than our father Jacob, are you? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and livestock."

¹³Jesus said. "Everyone who drinks from this water will get thirsty again.¹⁴But whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again. In fact, the water I will give him will become a well of water springing up in him for eternal life."

¹⁵"Sir," the woman said to him, "give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and come here to draw water." ¹⁶"Go call your husband," he told her, "and come back here." ¹⁷"I don't have a husband," she answered. "You have correctly said, 'I don't have a husband,'" Jesus said. ¹⁸"For you've had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." ¹⁹"Sir," the woman replied, "I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem."

²¹Jesus told her. "Believe me, woman, an hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You Samaritans worship what you do not know. We worship what we do know, because salvation is from the Jews. ²³But an hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit

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and in truth. Yes, the Father wants such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and in truth."

²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will explain everything to us." ²⁶Jesus told her, "I, the one speaking to you, am he."

²⁷Just then his disciples arrived, and they were amazed that he was talking with a woman. Yet no one said, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her?"

²⁸Then the woman left her water jar, went into town, and told the people, ²⁹"Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" ³⁰They left the town and made their way to him.

³¹In the meantime the disciples kept urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." ³²But he said, "I have food to eat that you don't know about." ³³The disciples said to one another, "Could someone have brought him something to eat?"

³⁴"My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work," Jesus told them. ³⁵"Don't you say, 'There are still four more months, and then comes the harvest'? Listen to what I'm telling you: Open your eyes and look at the fields, because they are ready for harvest. ³⁶The reaper is already receiving pay and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together. ³⁷For in this case the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.' ³⁸I sent you to reap what you didn't labor for; others have labored, and you have benefited from their labor."

³⁹Now many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of what the woman said when she testified. "He told me everything I ever did." ⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹Many more believed because of what he said. ⁴²And they told the woman, "We no longer believe because of what you said, since we have heard for ourselves and know that this really is the Savior of the world."

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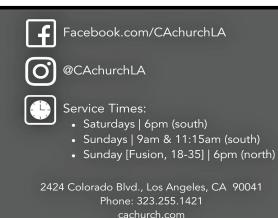
Financial Update

2023 General Budget: \$8,500,000,00

YTD 03.31.2023 - Requirement: \$1,961,538.46

YTD 03.31.2023 - Offering: \$2,174,406.92

March Kingdom Offering: \$53,671.96 YTD Kingdom Offering: \$155,911.95



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ASSEMBLY

April 15 & 16, 2023

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Christian Assembly (CA) is a community started in response to God's grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. That grace compels us to lead spiritually convinced and unconvinced people to complete commitment to Jesus Christ.

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Enjoy the service!

Tom Hughes & Mark Pickerill Co-Lead Pastors

NEW?

We'd love to meet you! Stop by our New **People's Table** in the lobby where we have a welcome gift for you.

There is a Connection Card in the seatbacks that you can use to ask questions, submit a prayer request or just let us know you're visiting. Fill it out and drop it in the dropbox at the New People's Table.

If you have an infant or you'd like your child to be with you during service, there is a **family room** that is equipped with a live feed of the service as well as a private nursing room for mothers. The courtyard is also available with a live feed. Just ask an usher!

INFORMATION



The Bible is filled with the true stories of the "giants of faith" who were simply real people who faced these same challenges and more. God has a good race set out before each one of us. The good news is that you don't have to run your race alone. Invite a friend and join us next weekend as we continue in our new series Running With The Giants and see how God will use their faith then to build your faith now! Next weekend is a Baptism weekend.



We are sending a team to partner with La Roca in Tijuana. Mexico on May 5-7. We will do work projects and help with outreach events in the community. The cost is \$60/person. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/ kingdom



Our Kids Church Program is offered during all services for children from birth to 5th grade. For more information stop by CHURCH the Kids Church tent or visit: cakidschurch.com

We offer programs for both middle and high schoolers. For grades 6th-8th, we meet on Saturdays (6pm-7:15pm) and for grades 9th-12th, we meet on Wednesdays (7pm-8:30pm). For more info, please visit: castudents678.com



Fusion is one of our weekend services and is specifically geared toward 18-35 year olds. We meet on Sunday nights 6pm at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north). Join us! For more info. visit: cafusion.com

OPPORTUNITIES

MEN'S **EVENTS**

MEN'S GATHERING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19 | 7PM

SOUTH SANCTUARY

Солтепа **MEN'S CONFERENCE** FRIDAY, MAY 19 | 7PM-10PM

SATURDAY, MAY 20 | 8AM-2PM COST: \$35 | CA CAMPUS

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER, VISIT: CACHURCH.COM/MEN

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women's Bible Study

Join us for our next session of Women's Bible Study as we finish up the Gospel of John. We meet on Tuesday nights (7pm) and Wednesday mornings (9:30am) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north sanctuary) for worship, a teaching time and discussion groups. For more info and to register for free childcare, please visit: cachurch.com/**wbs**

Conversations About Jesus

We invite you to the table for authentic **Conversations** About Jesus as we discuss His relevance today and His impact in our own stories. Thursday nights (7pm) - May 4, 11, 18 & 25 at Lucky Baldwins in Pasadena. Bring a friend, a co-worker, a family member and any questions you have. You are welcome to the table. For more info, please visit: cachurch.com/conversations

Multi-Ethnic Learning Community

God's heart is for people of all nations and ethnicities. The **Multi-Ethnic Learning Community (M.E.L.C)** is a CA group that meets monthly and seeks to live out the Biblical values of reconciliation, discipleship, community, and justice. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, April 20 at 2417 Colorado Blvd. (7-9pm). For more info, please visit: cachurch.com/melc

Hurting Moms, Mending Hearts

No one understands the pain of having a child who is making destructive decisions like another hurting mom. Hurting Moms, Mending Hearts is a safe place for moms to share their heartache with other women while working through a process that will start them on a path toward hope and healing. This 10week Thrive Growth Group will meet on Thursdays. starting April 27 (7pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. Rm 21 (north). For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/thrive

Seasoned Seniors (ages 65+)

Calling all SENIORS (ages 65+), you are invited to join us on Thursday, April 20 (11:30am) for a potluck luncheon in person at 2435 Colorado Blvd. Rm. 21 (north). For more info, email: seasonedseniors@ cachurch.com

Women's Bunco Night

Ladies, join us on Monday, May 8 (7pm-9pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north). for Bunco May-nia! Bunco is a fun and simple dice-rolling game and a great way to connect with other women. Invite some friends and join us! Cost is free. Please RSVP at: cachurch.com/ buncomavnia