



Today, try the practice of *visio divina*, or “divine seeing”—on your own or with your family. A prayerful exploration of a picture or piece of art can allow you to experience the presence of God in a new way.

Spend a few minutes looking at the painting of [*Christ and the Woman of Samaria*](#). Take in all the details. What do you notice about this painting?

Focus on each person in the scene. What details stand out to you about the woman? about Christ?

Read John 4:4-26. How does hearing the story again change the way you see the painting? How does seeing the painting change how you hear the story? Did you notice anything new?

This painting shows only one moment in this story. Which moment do you think the artist chose to depict? What details in the painting make you think so?

If you could paint a picture of a different moment in the story, which would you choose? Why would you choose that moment? What details would you include?