

LIVING WATERS OF THE WORD

The Lord talked about “living water” after asking the woman of Samaria for a drink of water from Jacob’s well. Then He said:

“Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life” (John 4:13-14).

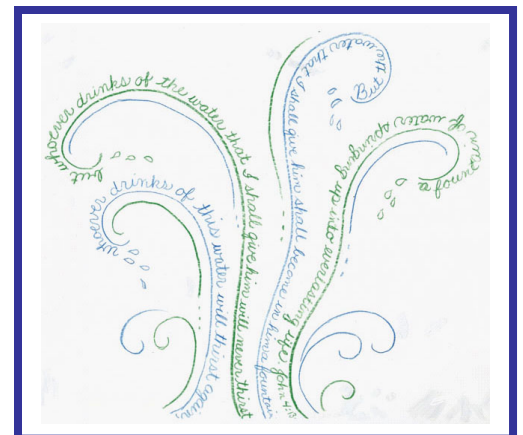
Here are two related projects—a well of quotes from the Word and a fountain of truth.

The Word Is Like a Well

1. Make a well out of clay or another modeling compound. Or you could use a square box without the lid, perhaps adding “stones” to the sides of the box. (These can be torn paper glued to the box or crayoned onto the box.)
2. Put slips of paper with quotes from the Heavenly Doctrines into it.
3. Take the quotes out of “the well” one at a time and read aloud.
4. You could make your own cards or purchase cards (by Lennette) through New Church Book Store or Fountain Publishing at www.fountainpublishing.com.

The Word—A Fountain of Truth

1. Show streams of water from a fountain, drawing your own fountain or using a blue crayon, colored pencil, or marker to follow the lines on the fountain below.
2. On the sample at the right, the Lord’s words from John 4:13-14 (see the quote above) are written along the streams of water coming from the fountain. An alternative would be to choose some of your own favorite quotes to write along the lines indicating the streams of water (truth) coming from the Word.
3. Optional: Mount the fountain on a larger piece of blue paper to give it an attractive border.



The Water of Life from the Lord's Word

<p>Angels from the Lord lead and protect us every moment and every moment of every moment. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 5992)</i></p>	<p>The true worship of the Lord is living according to His commandments. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 10143)</i></p>
<p>Prayer is speech with God. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 2535)</i></p>	<p>Peace has in it confidence in the Lord that He directs all things, and provides all things, and that He leads to a good end. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 8455)</i></p>
<p>When truth is used in life it becomes good. <i>(Apocalypse Revealed 17)</i></p>	<p>All religion is about life, and the life of religion is to do what is good. <i>(Life 1)</i></p>
<p>Every person is our neighbor according the quality of their good. <i>(Conjugal Love 73)</i></p>	<p>The Lord from infinite love wants to draw us to Him and bless us with happiness. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 6645)</i></p>
<p>Those who trust in the Lord continually receive good from Him; whatever happens. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 8480)</i></p>	<p>The Lord leads us and provides that all things that happen, whether sad or joyful, befall us for good. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 6303)</i></p>
<p>When we fight evil, it is the Lord who fights through the angels who are with us. <i>(Arcana Coelestia 653)</i></p>	<p>The more closely a person is united to the Lord, the wiser and happier he or she becomes. <i>(Divine Providence 32)</i></p>

