

Rivers of Living Water

Text: John 7: 37-52

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BIG IDEA: Only Jesus gives living water, I must believe in Him to have it.

Context is key:

Question #1

What is the context of this passage...

- When and where does it take place?
- Who are the main characters?
- What is the situation in the passage?
- What would be going through the minds of the characters?

Only Jesus can give living water...

Point 1: I must COME to Him to RECEIVE it: The PROMISE of Life (vv. 37-39)

Question: Living water comes from Christ alone. Will I come to Him?

Question #2

What does Jesus mean when He says in v. 37, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink."?

Question #3

Jesus declares that He is the ultimate source of soul satisfaction.

- What water of the world are you tempted to drink from to satisfy you?
- Do you believe that will ultimately satisfy you? Why or why not?

Question #4

Jesus says in v. 38, "Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.' Who is the living water He is referring to? (Hint: See v. 39)

Question #5

- How does the Holy Spirit satisfy our souls as we seek satisfaction in Christ alone?
- What Scriptures speak to this?
- Practically, what might it look like to increasingly turn to Jesus to satisfy your soul?

Question #6

Living water is not meant to be kept to yourself.

- a) Who has God put around you that needs to experience the power of Living Water, and be refreshed by Jesus' grace, reminded of Jesus' character, or reconciled by Jesus' blood?
- b) What's your next step in this?

Point 2: I must BELIEVE in Him to REVEAL it: The PROOF of Life (vv. 40-52)

Question: Christ reveals the truth to those who truly seek Him. Do I want to believe?

Question #7

Find promises from the Bible about God's Word proving true.

- a) How does this comfort you?
- b) How does this spur you on in your faith?
- c) How should this give you boldness when you share His Word with others?

Question #8

- a) Is there an area in your life where you're refusing to humble yourself under God's Word?
- b) How can you tell?
- c) What happens to our hearts as we continue this pattern and don't repent?
- d) Find Scripture(s) speak to your situation. How does the Lord want you to proceed?

Scripture Memory:

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"

John 7:37-38