

# MESSAGE NOTES

**DATE** MAY 17, 2020

**MESSAGE:** *Rivers of Living Water*

**TEXT:** John 7:37-39

"I believe in the \_\_\_\_\_".

It was a mighty \_\_\_\_\_, made even greater because the people had grumbled against God, and He \_\_\_\_\_ for them anyway.

Jesus said, "Anyone who is \_\_\_\_\_ may come to me! Anyone who \_\_\_\_\_ in me may come and drink!"

First, we need to recognize that we come to Christ because we are \_\_\_\_\_.

- Inside all of us there is another kind of thirst that \_\_\_\_\_ in this world can satisfy.
- We come to Christ because we are thirsty, and until we see our need for \_\_\_\_\_ and cry out for help, we will never come at all.

Second, we need to recognize that when we come to Christ, our thirst will be \_\_\_\_\_.

- Jesus uses the verbs: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- We're all hungry and thirsty and desperately \_\_\_\_\_ for something we can't quite find.
- True \_\_\_\_\_ means that Almighty God enters our life, in the deepest, most personal part, and takes up residence within us.

Third, we need to recognize that when our thirst is \_\_\_\_\_, we become a river of living water for others.

- God doesn't give us the Spirit so we can \_\_\_\_\_ it all to ourselves. He blesses us so that we can be a \_\_\_\_\_ to others.
- Jesus invites a thirsty world to come to Him. Christ doesn't invite us to a religion; but a \_\_\_\_\_.

Thank God, we can come covered with the dirt of our \_\_\_\_\_, and the living water will wash us \_\_\_\_\_.

What a Christ! What a Savior! What an amazing invitation! If you are thirsty, come!



## THIS SIDE IS FOR WEEKLY LIFE GROUPS TO USE!

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**Big Idea:** Come to Jesus all who are thirsty.

### Getting Started

Read the Apostles' Creed together:

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

### Discussion Questions

1. Describe what it feels like to be thirsty.
2. What did the Jews celebrate during the Feast of the Tabernacles? (Deuteronomy 16:13-15)
3. Read Psalm 118.  
This Psalm reminds us to "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!" Discuss a time you were reminded of God's goodness during a difficult situation.
4. Reflect on a time when you tried to fill a void in your life with something/someone other than Jesus. How did that turn out for you?
5. Have you experienced an "I don't know what happen, but I do know it were good" encounter with Jesus in your life?
6. Discuss the meaning of true conversion. Have you experienced it?
7. How is your relationship with Christ?

**Going Deeper:** The Holy Spirit is Living Water flowing through us, who can you share It with this week?

### Pray Together

Thank you God for the gift of Living Water that quenches our thirsty soul. When things of this world disappoint us, we can trust that you are good and that your love endures forever! Help guide our lives to let the Living Water flow through us into the lives of those around us. Amen.