

Thirsting for God (John 7:37-39)

- Some images: attractive, some repulsive. Jesus' image here is attractive

If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me... out of his heart will flow rivers of living water

- Life, true life can only be had when we come to, trust in & believe Jesus

I. The Jewish Feast of Tabernacles

- It was on the last great day of the Feast of Tabernacles that Jesus cried out

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- Call to remember God's faithful provision to from Exodus to the present
- Exodus 17: 3 they had no water, God provided water from the rock

II. Jesus is the Fulfillment of All Old Testament Expectations

- Jesus fulfilled all the feasts: the Kingdom of God was at hand (Mk 1:15)

John 1:14 "The word became flesh & tabernacled among us."

John 2:19 "Destroy this temple and I will raise it up"

John 2:14 "as Moses lifted up the serpent...so too must the Son of Man"

John 6:30,33 "I am the true bread come down from heaven"

III. Are You Thirsty?

- The invitation is universal and yet it is conditional: "If you thirst"
- Rev 22: 17, even if you don't thirst, but see, still Jesus says come

IV. What Does it Mean? Drinking and Believing

- Drinking is the same as believing vs 37 He who drinks... He who believes

V. Not A Vessel but a Fountain

1. Our drinking in Christ by a faith which relishes his promises
2. Our ceasing to thirst as we gain full satisfaction
3. Our overflowing with the rivers of blessing for others