

Sermon Notes 07.02.2017 – The Mouth of the Righteous is a Fountain of Life

Come to Me and Drink – The Invitation Stands - Come

John 7:37-39 Now on the last day, the great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, **"If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. 38 "He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.'" 39** But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet *given*, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Revelation 22:17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost.

Water Represents Life

Deuteronomy 8:7 "For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing forth in valleys and hills;

The Source of this Life

Psalms 36:9 For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light.

Proverbs 14:27 The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, That one may avoid the snares of death.

Proverbs 10:11 The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life,

Proverbs 13:14 The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life, To turn aside from the snares of death.

Proverbs 16:22 Understanding is a fountain of life to one who has it,

Picture

Proverbs 18:4 The words of a man's mouth are deep waters; The fountain of wisdom is a bubbling brook.

Are You a Spring of Water? The Condition is a relational one.

God Gives the Water – Are we willing vessels?

Isaiah 41:18 "I will open rivers on the bare heights And springs in the midst of the valleys; I will make the wilderness a pool of water And the dry land fountains of water.

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Psalms 87:5-7 But of Zion it shall be said, "This one and that one were born in her"; And the Most High Himself will establish her. **6 The LORD will count when He registers the peoples, "This one was born there."** Selah. **7** Then those who sing as well as those who play the flutes shall say, "**All my springs of joy are in you.**"

Isaiah 12:3 Therefore **you will joyously draw water From the springs of salvation.**

Generally, in the Scriptures, streams, fountains, rivers, are used as emblematic of the abundant fullness and richness of the mercies which God has provided to supply the spiritual necessities of men. The idea here is, therefore, that they should partake abundantly of the mercies of salvation; that it was free, overflowing, and refreshing - like waters to weary pilgrims in the desert; and that their partaking of it would be with joy. It would fill the soul with happiness; as the discovery of an abundant fountain, or a well in the desert, fills the thirsty pilgrim with rejoicing.

The Mistakes God's People Make

Jeremiah 2:13 "For **My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, The fountain of living waters, To hew for themselves cisterns, Broken cisterns That can hold no water.**

The Big Question from James

James 3:11 **Does a fountain send out from the same opening both fresh and bitter water?**

Proverbs 4:23 **Watch over your heart with all diligence, For from it flow the springs of life.**

Every Day, Remember the Invitation – "Come"