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God is SOVEREIGN...

there is no situation beyond his reach

Ezekiel 43:1-5

His voice was like the roar of rushing waters, and the land was radiant with his glory. ... The glory of the Lord entered the temple through the gate facing east. 5 Then the Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple.



River (or flowing water) ...

**symbolises The Life of God or
The Spirit of God**

Psalm 46:4

**There is a river whose streams make glad the
city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.**



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John 7:38

**Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said,
rivers of living water will flow from within
them.' By this he meant the Spirit,**



The Life

we long for!

Psalm 42:1

**As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, my God.**



The Life of God

1. comes from the altar

Ezekiel 47:1

The man brought me back to the entrance to the temple, and I saw water coming out from under the threshold of the temple towards the east (for the temple faced east). The water was coming down from under the south side of the temple, south of the altar.



The Life of God

1. comes from the altar

1 Corinthians 1:23

but we preach Christ crucified



The Life of God

2. flows out!

Ezekiel 47:2

He then brought me out through the north gate and led me round the outside to the outer gate facing east, and the water was trickling from the south side.



The Life of God

2. flows out!

Ezekiel 47:5

He measured off another thousand, but now it was a river that I could not cross, because the water had risen and was deep enough to swim in – a river that no one could cross.



The Life of God

2. flows out!

John 4:34

My food,' said Jesus, 'is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.'



The Life of God

3. starts with a trickle

Ezekiel 47:2

He then brought me out through the north gate and led me round the outside to the outer gate facing east, and the water was trickling from the south side.



The Life of God

4. heads towards 'the desert'

Ezekiel 47:8

He said to me, 'This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, where it enters the Dead Sea.'



The Life of God

4. heads towards 'the desert'

Luke 19:10

**For the Son of Man came to seek and to save
the lost.**



The Life of God

5. brings abundant life

Ezekiel 47:9

Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live.



The Life of God

5. brings abundant life

John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.



The Life of God

6. needs LOADS of fisherman

Ezekiel 47:10

Fishermen will stand along the shore; from En Gedi to En Eglaim there will be places for spreading nets. The fish will be of many kinds – like the fish of the Mediterranean Sea.



The Life of God

6. needs LOADS of fisherman

Matthew 4:19

‘Come, follow me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I will send you out to fish for people.’



The Life of God

7. needs the sanctuary

Ezekiel 47:12

Fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither, nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear fruit, because the water from the sanctuary flows to them. Their fruit will serve for food and their leaves for healing.'



Do you see this?

Ezekiel 47:6

He asked me, 'Son of man, do you see this?'



