

## THE WELL, THE SPRING, AND THE RIVER

Scripture: Isaiah 12:3  
John 4:13-14, 7:37-39

### Introduction

Nehemiah 8:10 says, "for the joy of the Lord is your strength." It is the knowledge that sins are forgiven which gives mankind his first taste of true joy. For once a man begins to draw from the wells of salvation, an inner joy begins to pervade his being which nothing in the world can take away.

### I. The well--salvation

Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.  
Isaiah 12:3

- A. Water offers
  - 1. Cleansing
  - 2. Refreshing
- B. The joy of salvation  
Example: "Daddy" Firestone
- C. The cleansing of salvation
- D. The refreshing of Salvation

### II. The spring--Christ, the source of salvation

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.

John 11:25

- A. God reckons us dead before salvation  
And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins  
Ephesians 2:1

FAMINE IN THE LAND  
NOT A FAMINE OF BREAD AND THESE ARE NOT  
BUT OF HEARING THE WORDS OF THE LORD

Amos 8:11-12

## II. The spring

### B. Jesus gives us life

#### 1. The life is in the Blood

For the life of the flesh is  
in the blood.

Leviticus 17:11

#### 2. To have spiritual life, one has to go to the blood of Jesus

a. The blood regenerates life

b. The blood perpetuates life

## III. The river--Life in the Spirit

There is therefore now no condem-  
nation to them which are in Christ Jesus,  
who walk not after the flesh, but after  
the Spirit.

Romans 8:1

A. Ezekiel 47--"Waters to swim in"

B. The spiritual life is a life of  
giving