

An Exceedingly Good Land

Meeting 4

The Goodness of the Land – Its Unsearchable Riches - Water

- Springs, Fountains, And Streams
- The Valleys And The Mountains
- The Eyes Of The Lord

Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy

8:7 For Jehovah your God is bringing you to a good land, a land of waterbrooks, of springs and of fountains, flowing forth in valleys and in mountains.

11:11 But the land into which you are crossing over to possess is a land of mountains and valleys; by virtue of heaven's rain, it drinks in water.

11:12 It is a land which Jehovah your God cares for; always the eyes of Jehovah your God are upon it, from the beginning of the year even to the end of the year.

Ephesians

3:8 To me, less than the least of all saints, was this grace given to announce to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel.

John

4:14 But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall by no means thirst forever; but the water that I will give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into eternal life.

7:37 Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

7:38 He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.

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7:39 But this He said concerning the Spirit, whom those who believed into Him were about to receive; for the Spirit was not yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

2 Corinthians

6:8 Through glory and dishonor, through evil report and good report; as deceivers and yet true.

6:9 As unknown and yet well known; as dying and yet behold we live; as being disciplined and yet not being put to death.

6:10 As made sorrowful yet always rejoicing; as poor yet enriching many; as having nothing and yet possessing all things.

Philippians

4:12 I know also how to be abased, and I know how to abound; in everything and in all things I have learned the secret both to be filled and to hunger, both to abound and to lack.

4:13 I am able to do all things in Him who empowers me.

Excerpts

“You may ask what I mean when I speak of a stream flowing forth from within you. Do you not have such experiences? When you are dry and thirsty in the inner man, you come to the Lord, you contact Him and you are refreshed. Then the more you contact Him, you are not only watered, but you are filled, you are full of water. I believe that the moment you meet a brother, you will say Hallelujah! What is this? It is a stream flowing forth from within you. Then in the evening when you come to the meeting, you will come singing; you will come refreshed. You will immediately offer praise or a prayer, which will be just like a living stream flowing forth from within you. All the brothers and sisters will be watered by your prayer. You can

tell them, “Brothers, how good it is! But this is only a stream. Do you know that there is a spring within me, and not only a spring, but a fountain of deep water? I am full of water, so something is flowing forth.”

“If you are someone without any mountains and valleys, if your life is just a plain, I am sure there will be no water flowing within you. The more you suffer, the more you will have flowing forth. The more you have been abased, the more evil reports are made about you, the more the water will flow.”

“..... All the living waters, all the streams, come from heaven. The source is in heaven..... when you are contacting Christ, when you are enjoying and experiencing Christ so that His life is flowing forth from within you, what a deep sense of the presence of God you will have! The presence of God will be so real to you. You will realize that you are one after whom God is seeking and one for whom God is caring.”

(From *The All-Inclusive Christ*, chapter 4)

Bible Study Questions

1. Based on the verses in John under the scripture reading, how do you understand the flowing of living waters? You can share some of your experience with the supply of this living water.
2. Without mountains and valleys, there is no water flowing out. Based on the scriptures in Deuteronomy, 2 Corinthians and Philippians, what message is the Lord conveying to us with these opposite pairs?