



A Great Life Bringing River

“Don’t forget to do good and to share what you have with those in need, for such sacrifices are very pleasing to God.”

Hebrews 13:16 (NLT)

Growing up in the Great Lakes region, water was so abundant we took the endless supply for granted. Our needs met, who’d think others could be wanting?

What a shock it was moving to the west! Here rivers are the norm. Sources of life, everything in, around, and passing through depends on them flowing. Yet, lacking substantial lakes, frequent dry seasons spell trouble... plants and creatures parched and dying. Each year I find myself praying for a heavy snowpack, dreading the scourge of drought.

“Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. For the Scriptures

declare, 'Rivers of living water will flow from the heart of anyone who believes in me.'" Jesus Christ (John 7:37-38)

Isn't it interesting that Jesus weds himself, the "Great Lakes" of blessing, to us, causing life bringing rivers (living water) to flow from us? He paints a perfect Kingdom marriage... Great Lakes supplying Great Life Bringing Rivers... the answer to drought!

"The river of God has plenty of water; it provides a bountiful harvest of grain, for you have ordered it so." King David (Psalm 65:9)

The Spirit ensures believers are flush with blessing, yet we're prone to take our endless supply for granted... who'd think others could be parched, even dying?

Reflect: What do I have that I could share?

As a financial advisor, client's commonly asked, "How are you able to lay out a plan so clearly? I could never do that!" Caught me off guard at first. It'd never occurred to me that what was easy for me could be difficult or impossible for others. Have you realized that certain things come easy to you? So easy, in fact, that you take them for granted, assuming it's easy for everyone?

"A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. The same Spirit

gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing... It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have." The Apostle Paul (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)

We're prone to take our giftings, our blessings, what we have, for granted. Paul says, *"Don't forget to do good and to share what you have with those in need..."* Jesus says, *"Be a Great Life Bringing River!"*

Consider: I'm surrounded by parched and dying people.

What blessings abound in you? Take a moment to dwell on how much has the Lord invested in you...

"But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead." The Apostle Paul (Ephesians 2:4-5)

Jesus gave his life for you! Not only that, the Father created you uniquely for special works and the Spirit has gifted you generously to carry them out. The entirety of God is for you! And he continues to invest as you travel along your life's journey... look at the fruit of your many trials, the testimonies... you are flush with blessings!

Ask, *"How can I 'Be a Great Life Bringing River?'"*

- Have Encouragement? Give it... intentionally!

- Have Wisdom? Offer it... freely!
- Have Love? Spread it... liberally!
- Have Faith? Share it... frequently!
- Have...

Imagine: I'm a Great Life Bringing River... bubbling over with blessings.

Open your floodgates! Generously share what you have and experience what Jesus promised...

"Anyone who drinks this water will soon become thirsty again. But those who drink the water I give will never be thirsty again. It becomes a fresh, bubbling spring within them, giving them eternal life." Jesus Christ (John 4:13-14)

You'll never run dry... you'll bubble over with blessings!

"The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." (Proverbs 11:25)

From the fullness of God's ongoing investment in you, from the depths of your heart, flows the Mission he has you here to advance. Refresh others through it... be generous! You are surrounded by parched people (some dying!) in need of a...

Great Life Bringing River!

Go off the grid and ask these questions:

Coach's Questions

- List the blessings I have... How can I dramatically increase my sharing of them?
- What will I pray to help raise my awareness of parched people around me?
- What steps will I take to generously refresh others through my Mission?

Spirit Talk

Post this where you will see it regularly.

I'm a Great Life Bringing River

"For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland."

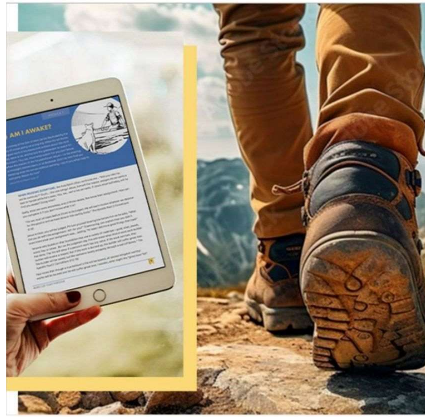
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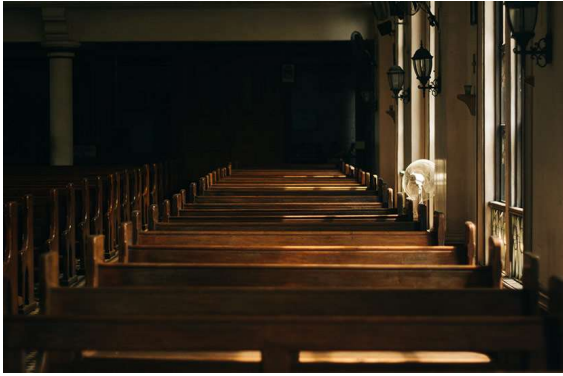
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