

Come and See: A Thirst Quenching Gift
John 7:37-43

The Feast of Tabernacles: A Feast of Historical and Agricultural Significance - Lev 23:39-43

- Thanksgiving festival for God's supply - Ex 23:16
- Jesus diverts their attention from the festival to Himself - Jo 7:37
- ... "I AM God's Supply! (the fulfillment of this festival)

The Invitation: Jo 7:37

- "If anyone" = open to all who are thirsty
- "Let him" = the need for individual response
- "Come to Me and drink" = it is always personal
- ...take Me into yourself!

The Result: Jo 7:38

- We are filled and flooded with God's life
- ...water as a picture of God's provision - Is 32:15; 44:3; 55:1; 58:11; Ezk 47:1-12; Zech 13:1; 14:8
- ...God will satisfy thirst and provide for fruitfulness with the gift of Himself
- Holy Spirit is a "He", not an "it" - Jo 14:16-17, 20
- ...a distinguishing mark of the New Covenant children of God - Acts 1:8; 2:4
- ...His purpose is to reproduce the character of Christ
- ...to do so in us and through us

Decision Time: Jo 7:40-43

- Will I receive Him? Jo 1:12
- Will I recognize He lives in me? Ro 8:9,14
- Will I repent of going to other "rivers" to satisfy my thirst? Eph 5:18
- Will I release by faith His rivers of living water for the sake of others? Jo 7:38