

Streams of Living Water 4



Opening the Floodgates of Worship

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- * Our _____ (see Westminster Shorter Catechism).
- * David's _____ (Psalm 27:4).
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- * He knows it's crucial for all of us to take a forward step and _____ to Him.
- * Praise _____ and _____ our _____.
- * We need to take a long, refreshing _____ frequently.

THIRST

- * God _____ us to experience some pain, because it tends to _____ us _____ Him.
- * DANGER: When we feel _____, rather than _____ God, we _____ it.
- * God has provided the perfect way to _____ your _____ for relational _____ = _____ (Matthew 5:6).

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- * Matthew 11:28, Hebrews 4:16.
- * God calls us to come, because worship is a _____: As we _____ our hearts out to God, He _____ out to us _____ in return.
- * How do we come? Psalm 100:4

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- * Not sure we're very good at _____, because we're pre-programmed by _____ to _____.
- * John 7:37 doesn't say, "Come unto me and _____ ... and out of his _____ shall flow ..."
- * DANGER: Our Christianity remains _____ and never becomes _____ (John 4:13-14).
- * You won't be satisfied just because you're _____ ... Not even because you _____ ... You have to _____!

HOW DO WE DRINK?

1. _____ in, don't just stand on the _____.
2. _____ from the _____.
 - * Grace _____, but you need _____ to _____.
3. Learn to _____ not _____.
 - * We're supposed to _____ to God and _____ the devil ... Not the other way round! (Acts 7:51, 1 Thessalonians 5:19)

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- * Worship is a _____ of Word, prayer & prophecy.
- * Worship is where God _____.
- * It's a place of _____; we've only begun to scratch the surface.

WHAT NEXT?

1. Worship remains a _____ at the Barn.
2. We'll keep giving the _____.
3. Everyone has a _____ to _____ in helping worship leaders take us into God's presence.
4. We'll keep _____ the worship _____.

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