



## Ice Breaker (in groups of 2 or 3 for larger groups)

What's one of your favorite things to do in your free time?

## Talk About it!

### QUESTION 1

**Discuss:**

What's something in your life that can easily become a distraction?  
What can you do to minimize that distraction and realign your focus on what matters?

### QUESTION 2

**John 7:37-39 New Living Translation**

*37 On the last day, the climax of the festival, Jesus stood and shouted to the crowds, "Anyone who is thirsty may come to me! 38 Anyone who believes in me may come and drink! For the Scriptures declare, 'Rivers of living water will flow from his heart.'" 39 (When he said "living water," he was speaking of the Spirit, who would be given to everyone believing in him. But the Spirit had not yet been given, because Jesus had not yet entered into his glory.)*

**Discuss:**

In this passage, how is the Holy Spirit related to "Rivers of living water"?  
What does that mean for the life of a believer? What does that mean for you?

### QUESTION 3

**Benny Yu mentioned activities the priests would engage in during the Festival of Shelters with the hope of securing their future.**

**Discuss:**

What are some ways you have found yourself trying to secure your own future?  
What thoughts, feelings, or actions usually accompany those efforts?  
  
How might the Holy Spirit be leading you to respond in those moments instead?



## QUESTION 4

### Mark 7:5-8 New Living Translation

*5 So the Pharisees and teachers of religious law asked him, "Why don't your disciples follow our age-old tradition? They eat without first performing the hand-washing ceremony." 6 Jesus replied, "You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you, for he wrote, 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. 7 Their worship is a farce, for they teach man-made ideas as commands from God.' 8 For you ignore God's law and substitute your own tradition."*

#### Discuss:

How do you think the religious leaders got so far off course in regards to doing what God says (remember, they started with good intentions)?

What good intentions in your life have the potential to become empty "age-old traditions"?

What can you do to keep that from happening?

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#### Discuss:

What would it look like for you to accept this invitation of Jesus or experience a deeper level of it?

Is there any area of your life which you need to remove distractions and get back to the Source?