

As we all know, water serves at least four key purposes:

1. It quenches thirst,
2. It nourishes,
3. It cleanses,
4. And when it overflows, it floods and overwhelms.

The same is true of the living water within a believer's heart. It quenches the thirst for evil (Revelation 21:6; John 4:14), nourishes the soul with the goodness of God, cleanses the heart, and overwhelms the works of the enemy.

That's why Scripture says that when an unclean spirit leaves a person, it passes through **waterless** places. Why? Because where spiritual water is present, demons cannot stay—it's like a flood to them. The "water-filled" place represents the heart of someone who is truly saved.

Luke 11:24-26 (ESV):

“When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and finding none it says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ And when it comes, it finds the house swept and put in order. Then it goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last state of that person is worse than the first.”

What many of us don't realize is that the water within us often remains like water from a **well**—it stays in one place. This is the free grace every believer receives at salvation. But for that water to become **rivers**, flowing outward to bless others, it takes more than just saying “I'm saved.” Something more must happen in your life.

Think about rivers. They flow far and wide, benefiting people who have no idea where the water originally came from. For instance, thousands of people in the Kilimanjaro region rely on water flowing from Mount Kilimanjaro, even though most of them don't know the exact source. Still, they benefit from it.

Even in Eden, God placed a river that flowed out from the center of the

garden—not to stay there, but to water the land **beyond** the garden and bless the nations (Genesis 2:10-14).

In the same way, the water you received the day you were saved—like a spring from a well—must begin to **flow out**. But for that to happen, something extra must take place.

That's why the disciples couldn't cast out a certain demon and were puzzled. Jesus explained:

Matthew 17:21 (NKJV):

"However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."

What doesn't come out?

The **power** of the water within you. For that water to turn into rivers, you must become a person of prayer. Not just casual prayer—but **persistent, consistent, never-ceasing** prayer.

Anyone who devotes themselves to prayer will attract the presence of God into their life. **Prayer is God's pump**—it draws the water out, so it can flow and bless others.

You cannot be a person of spiritual revelation without a habit of prayer. You can't minister to others effectively, or even intercede powerfully, if you don't live a life of prayer.

You want your husband to stop drinking? But you're not praying? You might see change in yourself—but you won't have the power to change others. You want your family to be saved? Yet you're not committed to the price of fasting and persistent prayer? Then it may remain just a dream—unless God decides to move by His sovereign will. But it won't be because of your desires alone.

And this isn't just about helping others. Even in areas of your **own** life—where you want to see God intervene—you must draw that water out through prayer so it can heal those parts.

Scripture tells us that we should always pray and not give up:

Luke 18:1 (NIV):

"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up."

That's the only way answers come.

John 7:38 (NIV):

"Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."

May the Lord bless you.

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