

Recap



- Jesus in Jerusalem during Feast of Tabernacles
- Spends first 3 days of festival 'in secret'
- Teaches publicly on Day 4
- Pharisees send guards to arrest Jesus b/c some of the crowd are beginning to believe in Him
- Unable to seize Him because 'His hour' had not yet come
- Today- picks up on Day 8 of festival

Water Drawing Ceremony during Festival of Tabernacles

- Each day priests would draw water from Pool of Siloam then pour it out on altar
- Water used/symbolized:
 - Remembering water God provided Israel in wilderness
 - Thankful for just completed harvest
 - Praying for rain (end of dry season)
 - Looking forward to rivers of living water flowing from Temple in Age to Come
- **Zechariah 14.8:** On that day living water will flow out from Jerusalem



Who is Jesus?

- **Elijah** – never died

- Malachi 4.5- See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes.

- **Prophet** – someone like Moses

- Deuteronomy 18.18- I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him.

- **Messiah** - David-like Warrior/King

- Micah 5.2- But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.



An Invitation to the Thirsty

- **Thirst-** expression of need/lack
- **Come to Me-** Jesus is Source
- **Drink-** receive; continual action
- **Key moves-** acknowledge our need to God and then ask God to meet that need
- Simple, but not easy

Promise of Rivers of Living Water

- **Increasing River-** from trickle, to ankle-deep, to knee-deep, to waist-deep, to too deep to cross
 - Speaks to our growth; we can increase in depth of knowledge and understanding of Jesus over time
- **Life-Giving River-** where it flows everything will live
 - Speaks to impact we can have; we ‘take’ the Holy Spirit with us everywhere we go and He produces life

