

The Presence of the Spirit of God III

The presence of the Holy Spirit is like a river flowing out of us.

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Ezekiel 47:1-12 there is water flow out of the temple.

NIV **Ezekiel 47:1** The man brought me back to the entrance to the temple, and I saw **water coming out from under the threshold of the temple toward the east** (for the temple faced east). The water was coming down from under the south side of the temple, south of the altar. ² He then brought me out through the north gate and led me around the outside to the outer gate facing east, and **the water was trickling from the south side.** ³ As the man went eastward with a measuring line in his hand, he measured off a thousand cubits and then led me through water that was **ankle-deep.** ⁴ He measured off another thousand cubits and led me through water that was **knee-deep.** He measured off another thousand and led me through water that was up **to the waist.** ⁵ He measured off another thousand, but now it was **a river that I could not cross, because the water had risen and was deep enough to swim in**—a river that no one could cross. ⁶ He asked me, “Son of man, do you

see this?” Then he led me back to the bank of the river. ⁷ When I arrived there, I saw a great number of trees on each side of the river. ⁸ He said to me, “This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, where it enters the Dead Sea. **When it empties into the sea, the salty water there becomes fresh.** ⁹ **Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live.** ¹⁰ Fishermen will stand along the shore; from En Gedi to En Eglaim there will be places for spreading nets. The fish will be of many kinds —like the fish of the Mediterranean Sea. ¹¹ But the swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they will be left for salt. ¹² **Fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither, nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear fruit, because the water from the sanctuary flows to them.** Their fruit will serve for food and their leaves for healing.

I

Let the River flow.

The water flows out of the temple. Vs 1

The water starts as a trickle. Vs 2

The river gets deeper as it flows. Vs 3-5

II

Let the River flow.

The river brings life to salty, dead places. Vs 9a

Where the river flows there is a great amount of fish (harvest). Vs 9b

There is no life in the marsh or swamp. Vs 11

Un**forgiveness** will stop the River.

Off**ense** will block the River.

III

Let the River flow.

Fruit trees grow wh**erever** the river flows. Vs 12a

The fruit is for food (renewal). Vs 12b

The fruit is to heal (repair). Vs 12c

The river, the Spirit, flows to sh**allow** places.

- The River, the Spirit, flows to comfortable places.
- The River, the Spirit, flows to deep places.
- The River, the Spirit, flows to low places.

The River, the Spirit, flows everyplace.

- “I’m in over my head, in deep waters!”

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