



Living water at the festival

AT A GLANCE



Bible

John 7:2.37–39



Topic

Jesus at the Feast of Tabernacles



Takeaway

Thirsting for more



10–15 minutes



Object: a jug of water and cups



Preparation: 10 min



indoors or by the fire



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "Jesus at the Feast of Tabernacles". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

2 min

Opening

Pour water into the cups. Ask: What are you "thirsty" for – figuratively speaking?

3 min

Bible text

Read John 7:2 and 7:37–39. On the last and greatest day of the Feast of Tabernacles, Jesus calls out: Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink!

5 min

Thought

In Jesus' time the Feast of Tabernacles in the temple included a solemn water ceremony with prayers for rain. Exactly there, Jesus applies the water to himself. This shows how deeply Jesus lived in the Jewish festivals – and how much Christians discover when they get to know these festivals.

5 min

Conversation

What quenches your thirst for meaning – and what only for a short while?



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Prayer to read aloud

Jesus, you invite the thirsty. I come with my thirst for meaning and life. Fill me with your Spirit. Amen.

To think further

- Which Jewish festivals do you know, and what can we as Christians learn from them?

For leaders

- Leave room for doubts and critical questions – an honest conversation matters more than a quick answer.
- As a leader, feel free to share a personal experience.
- With heavy topics, keep an eye on who is struggling and be available afterwards.

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