

SOMETHING GOOD FOR THE HOOD





INTRODUCTION

John 4:10-14 (NASB95)/


10 Jesus answered and said to her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.”


11 She *said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water?”

12 “You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?”


13 Jesus answered and said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again;

14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.”






**Theme: The mission
of Jesus Christ is our
mission in our
neighborhoods of
today**







1. a common symptom

(“Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again)







2. a complete satisfaction
(but whoever drinks of the
water that I will give him
'a' shall never thirst)



3. a continual source (but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to ^{· b ·} eternal life.)




- WHAT DO WE DO
WITH THIS LIVING
WATER?





Isa. 61:1-11

Book of Isaiah


- The Retribution of God (1-39)
 - The Restoration of God (40-66)
 - Greatness of God (40-48)
 - Grace of God (49-57)
 - Glory of God (58-66)
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I. Receiving His power for ministry to the community

Isaiah 61:1a (NASB95)

¹ The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners;






II. Reaching out to the needs in our community

Isaiah 61:1–3 (NASB95)

¹ The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners; ² To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, ³ To grant those who mourn *in* Zion, Giving them a garland instead of ashes, The oil of gladness instead of mourning, The mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting. So they will be called oaks of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.





3 Main Causes of Poverty

Personal Sin

(36 times)

Calamity

(118 times)

Oppression

(111 times)

Lifestyle
Choices


Misfortune &
Catastrophe


Injustice &
Affliction





Jesus Cares About the Poor


- His ministry was validated because he ministered to the poor. (Luke 7:20-22) When the men came to Jesus, they said, "John the Baptist sent us to you to ask, 'Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?'" At that very time Jesus cured many who had diseases, sicknesses and evil spirits, and gave sight to many who were blind. So he replied to the messengers, "Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor."
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I was hungry
And you formed a humanities club
And you discussed my hunger
Thank you

I was imprisoned
And you crept off quietly
To your chapel in the cellar
And prayed for my release.

I was naked
And In your mind
You debated the morality of my appearance







I was sick
And you knelt and thanked God
For your health

I was homeless
And you preached to me
Of the spiritual shelter of the love of God


I was lonely
And you left me alone
To pray for me
You seem so holy
So close to God





But I'm still very hungry
And lonely
And cold

So where have your prayers gone?
What have they done?
What does it profit a man
To page through his book of prayers
When the rest of the world is crying for his help?






III. Raising up indigenous leaders in the community

Isaiah 61:4–6 (NASB95)

⁴ Then they will rebuild the ancient ruins, They will raise up the former devastations; And they will repair the ruined cities, The desolations of many generations. ⁵ Strangers will stand and pasture your flocks, And foreigners will be your farmers and your vinedressers. ⁶ But you will be called the priests of the LORD; You will be spoken of as ministers of our God. You will eat the wealth of nations, And in their riches you will boast.






IV. Rejoicing in the LORD with the community

Isaiah 61:7–11 (NASB95)

⁷ Instead of your shame *you will have a double portion*, And *instead of* humiliation they will shout for joy over their portion. Therefore they will possess a double *portion* in their land, Everlasting joy will be theirs. ⁸ For I, the LORD, love justice, I hate robbery in the burnt offering; And I will faithfully give them their recompense And make an everlasting covenant with them. ⁹ Then their offspring will be known among the nations, And their descendants in the midst of the peoples. All who see them will recognize them Because they are the offspring *whom* the LORD has blessed. ¹⁰ I will rejoice greatly in the LORD, My soul will exult in my God; For He has clothed me with garments of salvation, He has wrapped me with a robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. ¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, And as a garden causes the things sown in it to spring up, So the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise To spring up before all the nations.





REFLECTION

- HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT BEING CALLED A PRIEST?
 - WHAT WOULD IT MEAN FOR YOU TO LIVE LIKE A PRIEST THIS WEEK?
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