

The Blessings of Thirst

Talk to Christians with no spiritual appetite and thirst

Mathew 5:1 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. He said:³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
⁵Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

makarios: *Transliteration:* makarios

Phonetic Spelling: (mak-ar'-ee-os)

Definition: happy, blessed, to be envied.

3107 makários (from mak-, "become long, large") – properly, when God extends His benefits (the advantages He confers); blessed.

3107 /makários ("blessed") describes a believer in enviable ("fortunate") position from receiving God's provisions (favor) – which (literally) extend ("make long, large") His grace (benefits).

supremely blest; by extension, fortunate, well off -- blessed, happy(X -ier)

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Hunger speaks of recognising your need of Him

Thirst speaks of recognising your dependence on Him

Signs of Hunger

Signs of hunger include feeling weak, irritable or moody or your stomach rumbling or feeling empty. True hunger comes on gradually, not suddenly

Jacobs Well 9 foot wide 100 foot deep carved through solid limestone

John 4: **4**Now he had to go through Samaria. **5**So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. **6**Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

7When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" **8**(His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

9The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.^a)

10Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

11“Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? 12Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?”

13Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 14but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

The Blessings of Thirsting for God

(1) An Eternal satisfaction

Signs of Thirst By the time you feel thirsty, you may already be slightly dehydrated. Some symptoms you may experience include dry eyes, headache, sluggishness, nausea, dizziness, dry skin and constipation. Drink water at regular intervals throughout the day, even if you don't feel thirsty, and you'll have less of a chance of becoming dehydrated.

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Not that you will never be thirsty but that you will never be thirsty for anything other than him

There is no real need to eat if you are not hungry but if you're thirsty you're probably already dehydrated

You can go 40 days without food

You can only go 3 days without water

Isaiah 58:11 The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.

A well water garden is flourishing and bringing a harvest

You shall flourish and bring forth a harvest

Your harvest will not fail

Your harvest shall increase

Your harvest shall be more than enough

Recognise your thirst

Thirst = those are said to thirst who painfully feel their want of, and eagerly long for, those things by which the soul is refreshed, supported, strengthened:

Jerimiah 14:3 The nobles send their servants for water; they go to the cisterns but find no water. They return with their jars unfilled; dismayed and despairing, they cover their heads.

When you fail to discern that your thirst is for God you will search to quench that thirst with other things in life.

You need to drink even if you don't feel thirsty.

Psalm 107:9 for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

John 7:37 In the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.

He brings everlasting satisfaction

He quenches your thirst for

Life

Love

Adventure

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A fountain is the emblem of motion, not of rest. Its motion is derived from itself, not imparted to it from without.

The Lord wants you become a well of living water for other to drink from.

(New American Standard Version)

John 7:38 “He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, ‘From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.’” **39** But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet *given*, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Innermost being = your spirit

You spirit is a container of the Holy Spirit

He has chosen you to flow through

Despite your failures

Faults

Frailties

You're a well a spring a river

Acts 2:17 'In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. 18Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. 19I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

Q How to quench thirst

Don't Stop drinking

Isaiah 44:3 For I will pour out water on the thirsty land. And streams on the dry ground; I will pour out My Spirit on your offspring, And My blessing on your descendants;

As long as you're thirsty He will keep pouring

Acts 2: 14Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. 15These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! 16No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

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**Have one more for the road
The drinks are on the house
It's an open bar
All you can drink
It's happy hour**

Even when you don't fill thirsty drink

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