

(1) Discuss the Jewish Feast known as Tabernacles or Booths. What was its purpose? What significance do you see in what Jesus said on the final day of feast? In what sense is he the fulfillment of it?

(2) Jesus issues an invitation to everyone who “thirsts”. What does this mean? What kind of thirst does he have in mind? In what ways does Jesus himself quench our thirst?

(3) If the Holy Spirit is himself “rivers of living water,” what does this tell us about the nature of his ministry and how we might expect to experience him? Why do you think Jesus used this image to describe the Holy Spirit?

(4) When we receive the Holy Spirit, what does he do in and through and for us? Be specific. Describe your own experience of the Holy Spirit. In what ways have you grown in your understanding of him? In what ways has he changed your life?

(5) Read Luke 11:11-13. Take some time in your gathering to pray this prayer, both individually and as a group.