

Come and See

Week 4: For teens

How important is water for growing?

Water is very important for growing because you need it to live.

It provides you with such a firm foundation, you know, and I think the water can help really strengthen those roots and I think it's so important for growing in not only faith but as a person, you know, in height, just everything helps you grow in everything.

It's essential for all life, just like a seed for a plant you'd see it start to grow out and sort of become full of life and I feel like water sort of helps that or gives it to it.

Literally everything in the world like plants, animals, humans, everything needs water to grow. So it's quite a necessity.

It's very important, it allows us as humans to grow and develop. In plants it helps them to develop as well.

It's very important because you can't really do much without water because then you get dehydrated and then you like shrivel up so water is very important it helps both humans, animals as well as plants just grow.

What do you think living water means?

I really have no clue. I don't know.

If it's a living water, I think it's choosing to help you in a way. It's actively cleaning you instead of you using it to like clean yourself. It could be like actively cleaning you, or if you're drinking it, it can be like actively restoring you instead of just like you needing a drink and doing it for yourself.

Actually I'm really not sure on that one.

I'm not sure.

Water, you know, gives you life, gives you strength. It's like the firm foundation, you know, it's water sent from God.

I feel like water is kind of life because it's sort of, it moves and it adapts like a living thing would and it's full of it. Like, what is it? We only know like five percent of the ocean. So I'd say it's sort of just, it adapts like life and I think it's very similar to life.

The Water of Life

Mark

Hi everybody we're back again, Laverne and Mark for week four of this journey through Lent. So today we're staying with the theme of water but we're playing around with a different idea of that idea of water. Last time we looked at how water cleanses and washes us clean, that idea of being born again but today we're looking sort of

Well, what is water? Where is it in the world, the universe in us as humans? So do want to kick us off with some thoughts around water?

Laverne

Actually, we look at the water of life and how important is water for growing. Now, if you think about it, the earth is made up of 70 % water. Did you know that?

Mark

I didn't know that.

Laverne

We're made up of 60 % water. Did you know that?

Mark

I didn't know that either!

Laverne

Like, literally, water is life. When you think about plants and things like that, it's all made. Water actually helps the growing. So that's how important water is. As Christians, we talk about living water now. What does that mean?

Mark

That's really helpful to that idea of water. So when we looked in the past, know, becoming a Christian, born again, that's in the past. Baptised, that's in the past.

But this idea of living water linked into faith and our growth in Jesus Christ is actually, Jesus says, I am the living water. And that's something that we can't just do once and forget about it.

If I stop drinking, I'm not going to last very long. And I think Jesus calling himself the living water, saying, you need me every day.

Laverne

Every day.

Mark

Every day you drink, every day you need me. And if I'm serious about my faith, I only say, Who is Jesus for me today? How can I spend time with him?

And some of our young people, they come home from school, they pray, they read the Bible. And in that sense, I'm allowing Jesus to be my living water so that I become more like him. I'm changed by him. Actually, I'm receiving more of him in my life.

Laverne

Yeah, that's amazing. So I suppose our challenge would be for you guys out there, how are you ensuring that you're walking with God, walking with Jesus every single day? How is he being living water for you? So you can't just, you know, not just being baptised and saying, oh, that's it, I'm done, I'm off.

Yeah, how is he being living water for you?

And then we look forward to seeing you guys next week for week five.