

**Life, Provision, and Healing in the River**  
**The Best is Yet to Come – Part 4**  
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**Text: Ezekiel 47:7-8 & 12 (NLT)**

**A. The River of life originates in the presence of God.**

1. God alone is the source of this living water. Nothing else can do what God can do.
2. No other influence can give the life that we are talking about here.
3. You will seek the river when:
  - i. You are totally convinced that there must be something more to life.
  - ii. When you get desperate for the presence of God.

**B. Wherever the River flows there is dramatic change.**

**Ezekiel 47:8b (NLT)**

1. Where the living water that flows, that which is dead, and smells bad, and is toxic to all life...is brought to life.
2. All kinds of life will flourish wherever this supernatural water flows.

**C. Wherever the River flows there is provision.**

**Ezekiel 47:12 (NLT)**

1. The trees planted by the river will always produce fruit in every season.
2. There will be a new crop of fruit every month.
3. This fruit will be the perfect food. (Manna)
4. This fruit will satisfy all of our needs.

**Philippians 4:19 (NLT)**

#### **D. Wherever the River flows there is Healing.**

1. Healing is a part of our spiritual inheritance. **(Matthew 15:26)**
2. God's healing is always available: He is always attentive to our cry...24/7 365 days a year.
3. No need for healing is beyond hope for the giver of life itself.
4. Ask God how to pray, when to pray the prayer of faith, and leave the results to God.

#### **E. The Challenge.**

1. Miracles always point to Jesus.
2. Become a carrier of the water of Life.
3. Ask God for the strategy to influence your neighborhood and community.
  - i. Pray over our neighborhoods.
  - ii. Ask God to show you the needs.
4. Be a part of meeting those needs as directed by God.

#### **Proverbs 11:24-25 (NLT)**

5. Find a way to have an influence in your community.

**Conclusions: Wherever the river flows there is life, where it does not flow, the water will stay stagnant.**

God will give "to us" if he can get it "through us".

#### **Next Steps: Today I am:**

1. Committing my life to Jesus
2. Committing myself to be a carrier of the Living Water.
3. In need of God's provision / healing
4. Asking God to make me influential in my community.