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"Then He (Jesus) came to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with His journey, sat on the well; and it was about the sixth hour. And there came a woman of Samaria to draw water, and Jesus said unto her, 'Give me a drink.' ... Then the woman of Samaria said unto Him, 'How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink of me, who is a woman of Samaria?' For the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans. Jesus answered and said unto her, 'If you knew the **Gift of God**, and who it is that says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked from Him, and He would have given you Living Water.' The woman said unto Him, 'Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; from where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his children, and his cattle?' Jesus answered and said unto her, 'Whoever drinks of this water (the well's water) shall thirst again. But whoever drinks of the Water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the Water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into Everlasting Life. So the woman said unto Him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I will not thirst, nor need to come hear to draw.' " (John 4:5-14)

"In the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried-out, saying, 'If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He who believes on Me, as the scripture has said, **out of his heart (his innermost being) shall flow rivers of Living Water.**' (see Jeremiah 2:13, 17:13; Psalm 36:9; Isaiah 44:3). **But this He spoke of the Spirit**, whom those who believe on Him should receive; **for the Holy Spirit was not yet given**; because Jesus was not yet glorified" (not yet crucified, risen, and ascended unto the Right Hand of the Father in Heaven!). (John 7:37-39)

Given: from the Greek word ***edoken*** which means: He-would-have-given. In context the Living Water that Jesus **gives** to us is the Holy Spirit of God.

Living: from the Greek word ***zon*** which means: living; refers to something that is alive. In scriptural context, the Holy Spirit is the 'Living' Spirit of God the Father.

Water: from the Greek word ***hydor*** which means: water; liquid water. The context is that just as water is a liquid that flows within rivers, and is necessary for for the survival of all forms of life; so also the Living Water (the Holy Spirit) must flow in and through human souls in order to give and impart spiritual born again Life within the lives of believers in Christ Jesus.

Living Water: from the Greek words ***hydor zon*** which means: Living Water; within the scriptures symbolizes the Spirit of God - the Holy Spirit, who flows into us, welling up in us like an overflowing well or spring of water with Everlasting Life when we become born again in Christ Jesus.

Gift of God: from the Greek word ***dorean tau Theou*** which means: gift of God; in context: the Gift of God is **that** which Jesus gives to us, even **the Holy Spirit**; as it says, "*Then Peter said unto them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.' "* (Acts 2:38)

Thirst: from the Greek word ***dipsesei*** which means: to thirst, as for water; to suffer from thirst; to earnestly desire something. The context is: whoever drinks of the Water that Jesus gives, the Holy Spirit, they shall never thirst any more for what they now have in Christ Jesus: a born again spiritual walk with God. But those who seek to satisfy their thirst elsewhere other than in and through Christ Jesus - they shall always thirst without ever being satisfied.

In regards to the Holy Spirit, Jesus is using the term 'Living Water' in reference to Himself as an attribute of Divinity, just as the term 'Living Water' was previously used, in a different context, by the Father in reference to Himself in the Book of Jeremiah. Consider the following:

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"Has a nation changed gods, for which are yet not gods? But My people have changed their Glory for what does not profit. Be astonished O you heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, and be you very desolate, says the LORD. For My people have committed two evils: they have forsaken Me the Fountain of Living Waters, and have hewn out out cisterns for themselves: broken cisterns, that cannot hold water." (Jeremiah 2:9-13)

"O LORD, the hope of Israel, all who forsake You shall be ashamed. And those who depart from Me in the earth shall be written (or recorded), **because they have forsaken the LORD, the Fountain of Living Waters**. Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for You are my praise." (Jeremiah 17:12-14)

John the Baptist prophetically compared his 'water' baptisms, with the 'Holy Spirit' baptism of Jesus as follows:

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance; but He (speaking of Jesus) who comes after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to carry: **He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit**, and with fire." (Matthew 3:11)

Jesus said, 'He who believes on Me, **as the scripture has said, 'out of his heart (his innermost being) shall flow rivers of Living Water.'** This is not a direct quote from the scriptures, but rather a summary of several prophesies. Please consider the following:

"And it shall come to pass afterward, that **I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh**; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days **I will pour out My Spirit**." (Joel 2:28-29) Fulfillment Quoted in Acts 2:16-18 as follows:

"But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel: 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, **I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh**: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; and on My servants and on My handmaidens **I will pour out in those days of My Spirit**; and they shall prophesy.' " (Acts 2:16-18)

"Yet now hear, O Jacob My servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen, 'Thus says the LORD who made you, and formed you from the womb, *and* will help you; fear not, O Jacob, My servant; and you Jesurun (a name of Israel meaning upright), whom I have chosen. **For I will pour Water upon him who is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground. I will pour My Spirit upon your descendants, and My Blessing upon your offspring**. And they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water courses.'" (Isaiah 44:1-4)

Since the Holy Spirit had not yet been given; because Jesus had not yet been glorified; that is Jesus had not yet been crucified, risen, and ascended unto the Right Hand of the Father in Heaven; He spoke these promises to His disciples:

"If you love Me, keep My commandments; and I will pray to the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter (speaking of the Holy Spirit), so that **'He'** may abide with you forever; **even the Spirit of Truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it cannot see **Him**, nor even know **Him**. But you know **Him**; for **'He'** dwells with you, **and shall be in you**. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you (in the Person of the Holy Spirit)." (John 14:15-18)

"These things have I spoken unto you, being still present with you. But **the Comforter, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My Name, 'He'** shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you; and not as the world gives, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be afraid." (John 14:25-27)

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Jesus said, "But when **the 'Comforter' comes, whom I will send unto you from the Father, the Spirit of Truth, who proceeds from the Father, 'He' shall testify of Me.** And you also shall bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning." (John 15:26-27)

Jesus said, "Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I do not go away, **the 'Comforter' will not come unto you;** but if I (Jesus) depart, **I will send 'Him' unto you.** ... and I have yet many things to say unto you, but you cannot bear them now. However when **'He', the Spirit of Truth, has come, 'He' will guide you into all truth:** for **'He'** shall not speak of Himself; **but whatever 'He' shall hear, He shall speak;** and **'He'** will show you things to come. **'He'** shall glorify Me (Jesus); for **'He'** shall receive of Mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said, that **'He'** shall take of Mine, and shall show it unto you." (John 16:7, 12-15)

Just before His Ascension, into Heaven, Jesus shared these final words with His disciples:

"And, being assembled together with them, He commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for **the 'Promise' of the Father,** which, you have heard from Me, 'for John truly baptized **with water;** but you **shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit** not many days from now.' When therefore, they had come together, they asked of Him, saying, 'Lord, will You at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?' And He said unto them, 'It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father has put in His own power. **But you shall receive power, after the Holy Spirit has come upon you:** and you shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.' "](Acts 1:4-8)

Finally, consider these precious exhortations from God's word:

"And **He (the Father) who sat upon the Throne** said, 'Behold, I make all things new.' And **He** said unto me, 'Write, for these words are true and faithful.' And **He** said unto me, 'It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. **I will give unto him who thirsts of the Fountain of the Water of Life freely.** He who overcomes shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be My son.' " (Revelation 21:5-7)

"I Jesus have sent My angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the Bright and Morning Star. And **'the Spirit'** and the bride say, **'Come.'** And let him who hears say, **'Come.'** And let him who thirsts **Come.** And whosoever will, **let him take the Water of Life freely.**" (Revelation 22:16-17)

"**Ho, every one who thirsts, 'Come' you to the waters, and he who has no money - 'Come,' buy, and eat; yes, 'Come,' buy wine and milk without money and without price.**" (Isaiah 55:1)

"And hope does not disappoint; **because the Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been 'given' to us.**" (Romans 5:5)

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The 'Spirit' of God is His 'Gift' to those who believe on Jesus!
'He' is our Comforter and Helper who will guide us into all truth!
The Holy Spirit will Glorify Christ Jesus in our lives!

For We shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come in us!
And we shall be witnesses unto Jesus - unto the uttermost parts of the earth!
Come to the Living Waters! Come to Jesus the Author and Perfecter of your Faith!

Thank You Father for the indwelling Promise of Your Holy Spirit!
Thank You Jesus for Baptizing us into Your Holy Spirit!
Thank You Holy Spirit for guiding us into all Truth forever and ever – Amen!!!