



Small Group Guide Sheet

Older – February 11 & 15

Lesson:	Living Water
Callback:	LT: Jesus Calls Us Students: To Abundant Life
Memory Verse:	HOT Seat! (LT will lead this and it will be used for all of Unit 5.)
SOAP:	SGG reads John 7:37-52 to students.
Observation	<p>The key to this lesson is understanding the meaning of living water – living water is the Holy Spirit who is given to everyone who puts their faith in Christ.</p> <p>1. The Holy Spirit Gives Life – think about how water helps plants grow and keeps us alive when we're thirsty. The Holy Spirit does the same for our hearts! He helps us love God and grow good things like kindness, joy, and peace in our lives.</p> <p>2. The Holy Spirit is Active – water that moves, like a river, is full of life. It's not stuck or dirty like water in a puddle. The Holy Spirit is like that moving water. He is always working and helping us follow Jesus.</p> <p>3. We Can Share the Holy Spirit's Blessings – when we believe in Jesus, the Holy Spirit fills us up so much that His love and goodness spill out to others! We can encourage people, help them, and tell them about Jesus – just like the woman at the well who ran to tell her whole town about Him. (John 4)</p> <p>1. What are some “thirsts” we face in our lives besides physical?</p>

	<p>2. How does Jesus satisfy these needs compared to the world?</p> <p>3. What does it mean to have the Holy Spirit “flow” in your life?</p> <p>Some people heard Jesus’ words and were divided. What does this mean for us today?</p> <p>1. Not everyone agrees – standing for Jesus can create mixed reactions, even among friends and family.</p> <p>2. Faith requires courage – choosing to follow Jesus may make you stand out or face questions.</p> <p>3. Focus on truth – God’s approval matters more than human approval.</p> <p>1. Have you ever received criticism for standing up for what you believe?</p> <p>2. How can you remain courageous when friends or peers disagree?</p> <p>3. Why is God’s opinion more important than what others think?</p>
Application	<p>Living Water Bottles – each student will get a bottled water and sticky label in which they will decorate with an area in life where they feel “thirsty” or in need of guidance, courage or hope.</p> <p>Place sticky label on bottle to remind us that Jesus fills all their needs.</p>
Prayer	<p>Jesus, help us to trust you, stand boldly for you, and let the Holy Spirit flow through us so others can see your living water outflowing from us. Fill our hearts with courage, hope and faith so we can follow you every day. Amen</p>