

Message Three

Coming to the Fountain of Living Waters and Drawing Water from the Springs of Salvation for the Consummation of the Divine Economy

Scripture Reading: Jer. 2:13; Psa. 36:9a; Isa. 12:2-6; John 4:14; Rev. 21:2, 9-10

I. God's intention in His economy is to be the fountain, the source, of living waters to satisfy His chosen people for their enjoyment—Jer. 2:13; Psa. 36:9a:

- A. The goal of this enjoyment is to produce the church as God's increase, God's enlargement, to be God's fullness for His expression—Eph. 1:22-23.
- B. God needs to be the fountain of living waters to His elect because He has an economy, and His economy is to produce a counterpart, a bride, for Himself—John 3:29a; Rev. 19:7-8.
- C. God's economy is to dispense Himself as the living water to produce His increase, His enlargement, for His expression—Col. 2:19.

II. God wants us to take Him as the fountain, the source, of our life and our being—Jer. 2:13; Psa. 36:9a:

- A. The principle in the Bible is that God does not want His chosen people to take anything other than Himself as the source—Rom. 11:36; 1 Cor. 8:6; Matt. 15:13.
- B. The Triune God has been processed and consummated in order to dispense Himself into our being; by dispensing Himself into us as life, God is accomplishing His economy, that He may have a corporate expression of Himself for eternity—John 7:37-39; Rom. 8:11; Rev. 21:9-10; 22:1.
- C. We need to drink of God as the fountain of living waters so that He may increase for the fulfillment of His economy to have His expression through His counterpart—Jer. 2:13; 1 Cor. 12:13.

III. "Therefore you will draw water with rejoicing / From the springs of salvation"—Isa. 12:3:

- A. The fountain is the source, the springs are the issue of the source, and the river is the flow—Jer. 2:13; Isa. 12:3.
- B. In the Bible a spring signifies life that flows out of God in resurrection into His chosen people—Exo. 15:27; Rev. 7:17; 21:6.
- C. The term *the springs of salvation* implies that salvation is the source—Isa. 12:3:
 - 1. The source of the springs of salvation is a fountain, and the fountain is salvation.
 - 2. The springs, which are Christ, issue out of the fountain and become the rivers, which are the Spirit—John 4:14; 7:37-39.
- D. The processed Triune God is the fountain, the springs, and the river of water of life; the Father is the fountain, the Son is the springs, and the Spirit is the river of water of life—4:14.

- E. God as our salvation is the fountain, Christ is the springs of salvation for our experience and enjoyment, and the Spirit is the flow of this salvation within us—Isa. 12:2.

IV. “The water that I will give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into eternal life”—John 4:14:

- A. The Triune God flows in the Divine Trinity in three stages: The Father is the fountain, the Son is the springs, and the Spirit is the river.
- B. The flowing of the Triune God is “into eternal life,” that is, into the New Jerusalem:
 - 1. The New Jerusalem is the totality of the eternal life; thus, *into eternal life* means “into the New Jerusalem.”
 - 2. The Father as the fountain, the Son as the springs, and the Spirit as the river flow into us and with us into the New Jerusalem to be the New Jerusalem—Rev. 21:2, 9-10.
 - 3. By drinking the living water, we become the New Jerusalem, the totality of the eternal life, the destination of the flowing Triune God.