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The Lord wants you to live in His light.

**Jer. 2:13** *“My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken Me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.”*

The Hebrew word for *living water* is **chai yim ma yim** which means *flowing, full of life, vigorous or renewing*. Have you ever been so thirsty that you thought you could drink a gallon of water without stopping? And when you finally are able to get a drink, it is so good and fulfilling. Nothing satisfies like a glass of cold water on a hot day!

This passage of scripture has never been more apropos than it is right now. It seems like people are willing to look to everything else rather than God. It is not a government that will save you. It is not in finance, medicine, power, or entertainment. Nothing can do for you what God can do. He likens Himself to living water. This was water that was not stagnant or putrid. This was water that brought total refreshing to those who would drink of it. Jesus was teaching during the gathering of the people in Jerusalem for the festival and as He looked upon the crowd, He proclaimed in **John 7:37-39** *“On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to Me and drink. believes in Me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.”* People were looking for religion to meet their spiritual needs. It won't. Many people are looking for their jobs to satisfy them. They won't. Some are looking to alcohol or drugs to get them through their emptiness or hurts. They won't. The only thing that brings lasting peace is the refreshing flow of living water in your life. And, it comes only from the giver of life Himself; Jesus Christ.

**Dear Father, thank You that You bring refreshing and renewal during times of bareness and loss. You are all that we need. Help us to look to You rather than the things around us or the philosophies of this world. In Jesus Name, Amen**