River of Life *Group Discussion*

For each of the passages assigned to you, do the following with your group.

- 1. **Read** the passage together and spend <u>a few minutes</u> (not too long) **discussing** its symbolism. Identify **what the water represents** in the context of the passage and **what its significance is** for the people of God.
- 2. For each passage, **write** the following on **one of the blue pieces of paper** you have been given (each passage should have a separate paper). Write large enough that it can be easily read by someone standing beside the paper, with the paper on the ground.

Write in black: 1) what the water represents and 2) the passage reference Write in blue: key words or phrases <u>from the passage</u> (or closely tied to the wording of the passage) about the water that relate to its significance for the people of God.

GROUP 1	GROUP 2
Psalm 36:5-9 (read all of Psalm 36)	Isaiah 43:19-21, 44:3-4 (read 43:14–44:5)
Psalm 46:4-5 (read all of Psalm 46)	Isaiah 49:10 (read vv. 8-13)
Isaiah 66:12-13 (read vv. 5-16)	Isaiah 55:1-2 (read vv. 1-13)
Isaiah 41:17-18	Jeremiah 31:9, 12 (read vv. 7-14)
GROUP 3	GROUP 4
Isaiah 12:1-3	Ezekiel 47:1-12
Jeremiah 2:13	Joel 3:18 (read vv. 16-21)
John 4:10-14	Revelation 21:6, 22:1-5, 17
John 7:37-39	Isaiah 35:6-7 (read all of Isaiah 35)

After you have finished the posters, discuss the following:

- 1. What were the common themes among the passages you looked at?
- 2. In what ways do these passages build on one another?
- 3. What does it mean to "come and drink" from the water that God offers in these passages