

TALK IT OVER GUIDE- A River Christian

Opening Prayer: Begin your session by asking God to help everyone engage with the message and apply it to their lives.

Key Takeaways:

- 1. God flows through ordinary people.
- 2. God flows through thirsty people who admit their need for Him.
- 3. God flows through Spirit-engaged people who actively seek a relationship with Jesus.
- 4. God flows through those who believe Him to act like God.
- 5. God flows through those with an outward focus, sharing His love with others.

Discussion Questions:

1. Larry mentions that "God doesn't have an A team; He has an anyone team." How does this idea challenge or encourage you in your faith journey?

- 2. Reflect on the prayer: "Lord, make my life as beautiful as it was in your mind when you first thought about me." What emotions or thoughts does this prayer evoke in you?
- 3. How would you describe your current level of "thirst" for God? Are there areas in your life where you need to admit your need for Him more openly?
- 4. The sermon emphasizes the importance of "drinking" from Jesus daily. What does your current spiritual engagement look like? Are there ways you'd like to improve or change your daily connection with God?
- 5. Have you ever experienced a time when your faith helped you overcome a challenging situation, similar to Maria's story in the sermon? Share if you're comfortable.
- 6. Larry suggests that many people have "downsized their dreams." Do you feel this applies to you? How might God be calling you to "upsize" your dreams?
- 7. How can we cultivate an outward focus in our faith, looking for opportunities to share God's love with others in our daily lives?

Practical Applications:

- 1. Daily Spiritual Engagement: Commit to a specific daily practice this week to "drink" from Jesus (e.g., prayer walks, Bible reading, worship time).
- Dream Upsizing: Take some time to reflect on and write down Godsized dreams for your life. Share one with the group if you're comfortable.
- 3. Neighborhood Prayer: As a group or individually, commit to praying for your neighborhood this week, asking God to show you opportunities to share His love.
- 4. Thirst Awareness: Each day this week, consciously acknowledge your need for God in a specific area of your life.

5. Living Water Moments: Look for an opportunity to share God's love with someone outside your usual circle, letting the "living water" flow through you to others.

Closing Prayer: Close by praying for each group member to experience more of God's "living water" in their lives and to be channels of His love to others.