

## **No. 89      Come, You Who Thirst for the Truth!**

PLEASE NOTE: Motivate interested ones to respond to God's warm invitation. Speak with empathy and kindness as you discuss how to overcome obstacles. If you wish, you may use the provided artwork to illustrate the points indicated

### **DO YOU THIRST FOR THE TRUTH? (4 min.)**

There are thousands of religions with conflicting teachings

Religious confusion has left many frustrated and disappointed

Do you thirst for truthful, satisfying answers about God and his purposes?

God's inspired Word, the Bible, is the only source of religious truth (Joh 17:17; 2Ti 3:16; *Iff* lesson 14 point 1; *wp20.1* 5)

Jehovah's Witnesses base their beliefs solely on the Bible (Joh 4:24)

In the Bible, we learn that we can draw close to God and gain everlasting life (Jas 4:8; Joh 17:3)

How can you personally benefit from the truth in God's Word?

### **GOD INVITES YOU TO "TAKE LIFE'S WATER FREE" (7 min.)**

The Bible contains a thrilling invitation to drink life-giving "water" [Read Revelation 22:17]

This "water" is symbolic and includes all of God's provisions to help obedient humans gain everlasting life

The foremost provision is Jesus' ransom sacrifice (Joh 3:16; *w10* 2/15 15 ¶4)

The life-giving water also includes the truths in God's Word

Jehovah God is the Source of the water and the invitation to take it (Re 22:1; *w10* 2/15 15 ¶5) [Image 1]

The invitation is extended to those who have the opportunity to gain everlasting life on earth

Those who hear and accept the invitation extend it in turn to others

### **WILL YOU ACCEPT GOD'S INVITATION? (15 min.)**

God invites "anyone thirsting" to "take life's water free"

Jehovah's Witnesses will gladly help you learn Bible truths at no monetary cost

However, accepting God's invitation requires effort on your part (Lu 13:24)

*Give priority to learning Bible truth and drawing close to Jehovah*

Take time from less-important activities (Eph 5:15-17; *w18.11* 4 ¶7)

Do not let pressure from others or anxieties of life prevent you from drawing close to God (Mt 10:32-39; 13:20-23)

*Break free from religious falsehood*

If you struggle to let go of false religious teachings or traditions, continue to build your appreciation for Bible truth [Read Isaiah 55:1, 2]

Ask God to guide and strengthen you (Joh 8:31, 32; Php 4:13)

*Extend God's invitation to others*

Those who accept God's invitation also invite others to do the same (*w11* 12/15 25 ¶16)

Tell others about the Bible truths you have learned (*Iff* lesson 22 points 1-2)

*Make a dedication to God and get baptized*

Your love for God and gratitude for all he has done should move you to take your stand in support of true worship (1Pe 3:21; 1Jo 4:10, 19; *Iff* lesson 46 intro and points 1-2)

### **BENEFIT ETERNALLY FROM GOD'S PROVISIONS FOR LIFE (4 min.)**

Satisfy your thirst for truth by accepting God's invitation now

Those who do will survive this system's end and have the prospect of everlasting life on earth

God's provisions for life will lift obedient mankind to perfection (Re 22:1, 2; w22.05 18 ¶16)  
[Image 2]

You can look forward to the fulfillment of God's promise to make "all things new" (Re 21:3-5)

[Adhere closely to the outlined material, and observe the indicated timing of each section.

Not all cited texts need to be read or commented on. See *Reminders for Those Assigned Public Talks* (S-141)]

TO BE COVERED IN 30 MINUTES

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