Waiting for Water

The Point

Be willing to wait on God for what you need most.

Leader Notes

In a world of on-demand and instant gratification, the word “wait” seems a bit weak and passive. But the reality is, there are a lot of big things in our lives that we have to wait for. Help your students come up with one thing they’re waiting for most, and have them identify how they can go give it over to God and trust Him to meet their needs.

Talk It Over

1. Ice Breaker: If you could fast-forward your life to any one moment in your future, what would it be and why? How do you think that would affect your life right now?
2. What did you think about this week of Thirst? What did you like? What stood out to you most? What’s something you learned from today?
3. Would you say that you’re good at waiting for things? Why or why not?
4. Tell about a time that was hard for you to wait for something. What was it? Why was it so hard to wait?
5. Do you think it’s good to wait for things in life? Why or why not? What are the benefits of waiting?
7. What’s going on in this passage? How could you apply it to your own life?
8. Re-read John 5:7. What have you been trying to do on your own strength? How’s that working out for you?
9. What’s one thing you’re waiting for that you know you need to give over to God? How can you go about doing that?

Switch Group Questions

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2. What did you think about this week of Thirst? What did you like? What stood out to you most? What’s something you learned from today?
3. Why do you think God makes us wait for things? Why doesn’t He just provide us with what we need now?
5. What’s going on in this passage? How could you apply it to your own life?
6. Re-read John 5:6. If Jesus asked you what you want most in your life, what would you tell Him?
7. Re-read John 5:7. What have you been trying to do on your own strength? How’s that working out for you?
8. What’s one thing you’re waiting for that you know you need to give over to God? How can you go about doing that?

Group Challenge

Identify what you’re waiting for in your life, and give that over to God to meet that need and provide for you.