

CAUTION! SPIRITUAL ADULTING

Your Very Own Baby Yoda

June 21, 2020 Message Notes EZEKIEL 47:1-9. MATTHEW 4:19 and 28:19

What's the difference between a spiritual adult and a spiritual parent? Spiritual parents give life to others by helping them grow in their faith. Who would God like you to reach?



NOTES

Our life, apart from God, is like the Dead Sea.

"As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world..."

EPHESIANS 2:1-2

Ezekiel's vision of a great flow of rushing, fresh water that is pouring out and rushing down from under the temple of God and forming a mighty river.

"...it was a river I could not cross, because the water had risen and was deep enough to swim in..."

EZEKIEL 47:5

"When it empties into the sea the water becomes fresh. Swarms of creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh..."

EZEKIEL 47:8-9

"...so where the river flows everything will live." FZFKIFI 47:9

Our Dead Sea life is so complicated, so deadened by sin.

"Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him..."

JOHN 7:38

"As the Father sent me, so I send you." JOHN 20:21

Spiritual Parent: someone who lets God use them to help another find and follow Christ

"Even though you have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers, for in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel."

1 CORINTHIANS 4:15

Spiritual parents give life to others.



"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." MATTHEW 4:19

"Go and make disciples of all nations..."

MATTHEW 28:19

Become a life-giving channel of salvation to others that can bring them to life. This is God's plan for our Dead Sea world.

This is about helping you grow into all of your God-given potential.

Our idols are dropping around us and it's like our hearts are crying out, "where is the life?"

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God?"

1 CORINTHIANS 6:19

The river is about you. It's about you growing in spiritual life.

Ankle deep – Walk in the Spirit Knee deep – Pray in the Spirit and put on your spiritual armor Waist deep – Reproduction: Spiritual adults become spiritual parents

"Pray in the Spirit on all occasions all kinds of prayers and requests... always keep on praying for all the saints."

FPHESIANS 6:18

Nothing is too hard for God.

There's a downside for people that are far from God – Flat-line.

Levels of Unbelief:

- Spiritual Apathy
- Atheist Hostile
- Atheist Rational
- Ornery Agnostic
- Honest Agnostic
- Open Agnostic
- Curious Seeker
- Open Seeker
- Active Seeker
- Trying-to-Believe Seeker



"Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have."

1 PETER 3:18

Nobody is too far from God.

When you let God's river flow and share the good news of Christ with others, God takes you to the level of spiritual parent.

You learn how to do it by doing it.

Next Steps:

- Pray Ask God to lead you.
- Permit yourself to get creative.
- Push through your obstacles.
- Link up with your Campus Pastor to join in the Gospel Conversation

