



QA: What About "Early Summer" This Year? by [John T Polk II](#)

*All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.*

QUESTION: What about 'early Summer' this year bringing drought upon food crops?

ANSWER: Though water is necessary, there is a "water of life" that is even more needed in our "spiritual drought."

1. The Summer Drought. Early into Summer, we're already hearing what to do for the drought conditions we're having. No one can do without water: not plants, nor animals, nor people. God prophesied through Amos to the corrupted Northern Kingdom of Israel:

"Behold, the days are coming," says the Lord GOD, "That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the LORD. They shall wander from sea to sea, And from north to east; They shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, But shall not find it." (**Amos 8:11-12**)

In Heaven, God said,

"It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts." (**Revelation 21:6**)

but not without conditions:

And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely. (**Revelation 22:17**)

The offer of "the water of life" is for those who "hear" and "thirst," and "desire."

Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink." (**John 7:37**)

After His resurrection, He said,

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." (**Mark 16:16**)

Many people have been kept from the water Jesus commands, and are in a drought.

2. Sin is Sin. Spiritual drought misses this point. No one asked Jesus, “Whose sin is the greatest?” But we know the human answer: someone else’s! Jesus said,

“What comes out of a man, that defiles a man. For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within and defile a man.” (**Mark 7:20-23**)

Is morality what we don't do? We don't murder, but commit adultery? We don't steal, but we covet? We're not wicked, but are full of pride? No one's sin is worse than ours, “because all sinned” (**Romans 5:12**). Temptations are “common to man” (**1 Corinthians 10:13**), and so is sin! Jesus said:

“Preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved.” (**Mark 16:15-16**)

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