

Dec 15/24 - "Longing for the River of Life" (Small Group Questions)
Rev. 22:1-7, 16-17, 20

1. Did you grow up in a tradition that paid attention to Advent? What were the practices/emphases in your tradition?
2. How does Advent as a 'season of longing' resonate with you? Do you think it is helpful to have a season in which we focus on expectation and longing?
3. Where are some places that Karen mentioned the tree of life is mentioned or hinted at in the Bible? Can you think of any others?
4. Read Ezek 47:1-12. What are some of the features of the river of life from Ezek 47? How is this river similar to, or different from, the river found in Rev 22?
5. Read John 7:37-39? How can we understand Jesus as the fulfillment of Ezekiel's prophesy?
6. Does the picture in Rev 22 give you hope? Why or why not?