

Confession and Assurance – Restored with Living Water

Leader: O God, you are the living Water.
You restore us to life.
We confess that in the desert moments of our lives
we forget your faithfulness.
Our bodies grow tired; our hearts dry up.
Our minds become clouded
and we do not remember that you are our deliverer.

**People: When we see the dryness behind and before us,
we quarrel among ourselves
and burden one another.
We cry out: “Is the Lord even among us?”**

Leader: Forgive us, O Lord,
for in the harshness of life’s desert journey
we quickly focus on ourselves.
We forget that you have been,
you are,
and you will forever be our deliverer.

**People: Restore in us a remembering spirit,
that we may hope in you again.
Renew our hearts, O Lord.
Make us generous in our praise,
that we may worship you anew!**

(Pause for silent confession)

Leader: God, our living Water,
All: restore us.

Leader: Let all who thirst, come.
Come and drink from the living Water.
Let all who have nothing, come to the Lord.
Come—without money or price.
Come and draw freely from the well of our Lord,
which will never run dry.

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