



## **Freedom River**

Ezekiel 47:1-12

River Source - temple, sunrise, streams - Jesus shows Ezekiel the flowing water at the temple's gates: a picture of the Holy Spirit coming from heaven to earth.

Immersion Guide - river, prophet, Jesus - Jesus takes Ezekiel further downstream showing him the river depths: a picture of experiencing more of the Spirit.

Living Streams - river, fish, beast, fruit tree - Life flourishes wherever the river flows: a picture of God's presence bringing life and purpose to all who enter in.

Healing Nations - woman, fish pole, fruit - Fruit trees line the riverbanks. The fruit feeds, the leaves heal: a picture of God meeting our needs, healing our hearts.

## **Storytellers Sight**

- How is this spiritual river a picture of the Holy Spirit?
- List everything that happens near the flowing river.
- Do you think the guide is Jesus or an angel? Why?
- What do we learn about abundant life in this story?
- Why is the guide showing Ezekiel the river depths?
- How do we experience more of the Spirit over time?
- Compare the living river with the swamps/marshes.
- What's significant about fresh fruit born every month?
- Compare Ezekiel 47:8-12 to Revelation 22:1-5.