Lead Me to the Water

- John 7:37: "Anyone who is thirsty, let him come to me! Anyone who believes in me may come and drink! For the scriptures declare, rivers of living water will flow from His heart."
- Psalm 23:1-3
- Jeremiah 2:13: "For my people have done two evil things: They have abandoned me-the fountain
 of living water. And they have dug for themselves cracked cisterns that can hold no water at all!"

Why does God care about our personal lives?

• 1 John 1:5-10

When we thirst, we all turn somewhere. We all have a watering hole.

1. Sex

- Culture says sex is recreation but science, psychology disagrees.
 - Sex Scandal by McGuire
 - Unprotected by Anonymous M.D.
 - How America Lost Her Innocence by Gallagher

2. Food/Alcohol

- **Proverbs 23:19-21:** "My child, listen and be wise: Keep your heart on the right course. Do not carouse with drunkards or feast with gluttons, for they are on their way to poverty, and too much sleep clothes them in rags."
- 1 Corinthians 10:13,31: "The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure...So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

3. Opportunity

Sex, food, opportunity are gifts from God.

• **John 10:10:** "The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life."

What is significant about still water? What does our time with Jesus look like?

- 1. Water calms us.
 - o Psalm 46:10: "Be still, and know that I am God."

2. Water exposes us.

o James 1:22-25