

River Clap by Pat Moore

Based on Psalm 98 and 126 where the rivers clap their hands!
The characters are based on water. One is peaceful and the other is fast flowing.

(Chill enters with a fishing rod. Gush enters with a canoe paddle.)

Chill: How's it flowing?

Gush: Very well thank you. Going fishing?

Chill: Always! Have you read the Daily Water?

Gush: No. I prefer to go to The Source.

Chill: You've seen the weather report then?

Gush: Yep. An infilling is on the way.

Chill: (Nods) Gonna get deeper.

Gush: Exciting times ahead. Things are gonna move faster. A lot will be carried on the current.

Chill: Time to do a spot of paddling.

Gush: No mate - time to jump in and get soaked! I'm planning on going to the dry lands.

Chill: Really?

Gush: Yes. I've been re-directed that way. I can't wait to get to those roots!

Chill: They've waited a long time for that.

Gush: Faithful.

(They pause, acknowledging the wait)

Gush: Seeds are gonna grow. That's the bit I love best - all those old seeds finally seeing the light. What about you?

Chill: I'm just sticking where I've always been, keeping the trees going.

Gush: How long have you been there now?

Chill: Ages. The trees and I have seen some years but, well, they still get thirsty you know! They need a constant supply. Thought I might do some trickling though - trickling down the hill here and there.

Gush: Thinking of a new outlet?

Chill: No. No. Nothing like that - but there are folk on the outskirts that like a drink now and then.

Gush: (Disapproves) You can't quench a thirst on *now and then!*

Chill: (Sadly) That's the trouble - they aren't thirsty! I think they just like to try a sip now and then. I know it's a terrible waste, but I don't like to turn them down. You never know when the change might come.

Gush: (Fidgety, ready for action) I can't understand it. Don't they feel the surge of power?

Chill: You can be quite frightening, you know, all that action going on. If you don't mind me saying - you're a bit overwhelming.

Gush: I only tap into the Source!

Chill: So do I! I just have stiller pools - that's all! What does it matter? We're both on the same team. We just have different jobs to do.

Gush: Right.

(Pause)

Gush: Brilliant though, isn't it - being carriers?

Chill: (Nods.) Carriers!

(They slap palms in a 'high-five')

Chill: See you back at the Source.

You have full permission to use this in your church or house-groups. It does not stand alone but should create a talking point or support a Message.

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