

WE HAVE FOUND WATER !

Genesis 26:12-33

ISAAC of old speaks to us today . . . he represents the 'sons of God' or 'sonship' — which is the bible title for those who, by yielding to the Lordship of Christ, have grown up, or continuing to grow up into Him in all things. This too relates to the kingdom of heaven, for the Seed (Christ) sown in our earth is purposed to bring forth a hundredfold. . . having passed through the thirtyfold of 'Passover' and the sixtyfold of 'Pentecost' realms of realization of Who our Lord really is! Remember that *every seed brings forth after his kind!*

Genesis 26:12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.

(13) And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great:

(14) For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him

The word 'WELL' in the Hebrew means *PIT* from a root word meaning to *DIG, ENGRAVE, EXPLAIN.*

Remember an empty well = a pit!

A 'WELL' is dug in man's thinking (his earth) and such a well gets filled up by the desires of the diggers. It is purposed for water needful for living, but sometimes carnal man will dig a well and fill it with selfish desires. Today's PHILISTINES of religious thinking will fill up our wells with man's traditions which do not gender life. . . only a false security of thinking it is reality and life! 'They' will not dig their own wells, but will readily 'fill in' the ones dug by hungry saints whom the Lord is drawing! 'Philistine thinking' is without any water from *present-truth* wells and will unfortunately ensure that the people will remain very dry and extremely thirsty.

TODAY'S CHURCH HAS BEEN ROBBED

Church systems have robbed the attendees of the revelations concerning the time in which we live. The 'Philistines' of religion with their '*statements of belief*' and the straightjacket systems of man going under the guise of the gospel (good news), have truly plugged up even the '*foundational*' wells which were laid out by our Father. They have filled them with the 'earth' of man's letter-word substitutions. However there is a cry for fresh water (revelation and reality) coming forth in God's people. *Blessed is he who hungers and thirsts after righteousness.* . . which is the Lord Himself — the Living Word.

Let me reiterate here that I acknowledge all Christians as being in God's family with the right to call Him, Father. However I do find that most of the religious systems of man put huge restrictions and limitations on the people of God 'belonging' to them. In the course of growing up, some definitely need to be in a situation where they can see discipline brought forth in their lives and a traditional church can be a good vehicle for that. Upon closer scrutiny, one will discover that just about all the 'wells' of the true foundational teachings have become clogged by man's varying viewpoints of scripture..

Genesis 26:15 For all the wells which his father's servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

Genesis 26:16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.

The Church-system, by and large, have felt 'uncomfortable' when those believing in and moving in sonship are in their midst. . . there is a distinct feeling that they have put up the '*Don't Disturb*' sign!

Genesis 26:17 *And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.*

GERAR means ‘ROLLING’ and comes from a root word meaning ‘CHEW THE CUD’! Are you dwelling in today’s ‘Gerar’? Is your ‘country’ rolling with some peaks and valleys (some highs and lows!). . . no longer satisfied with the plain path that is the same every week? If that is where you are at, then your hunger (shown by a teachable spirit) will cause you to dig out the rubbish of man’s traditional letter-word teachings and search for the water of the anointed, revealed will of God. In this you will discover more and more what our Father is like and what His purposes really are in the earth. In this way Jesus Christ becomes Lord and Saviour in reality.

DIG AGAIN THE FILLED UP WELLS IN YOUR EARTH

Genesis 26:18 *And Isaac dug again the wells of water, which they had dug in the days of Abraham his father; for the philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.*

God will label each revealed step that He has for us so that titles will no longer cause us to fear their man-made implications. You have probably heard words like these? ... ‘You’ve got to be careful!’ ... ‘We don’t want you getting deceived!’ . . . that is just ‘FEAR’ manifesting!

Please note that the best wells were found in the ‘valleys’ . . . the lower place, not up the mountain!

Genesis 26:19 *And Isaac’s servants dug in the valley, and found there a well of springing water.*

This water of life will bubble up and delight you as you hear from the Lord. The revelation of His Life and Purposes will spring up ... you won’t have to struggle to study them up... simply listen!

When you decide to dig, you cannot but find the well of LIVING water. (John 4:14). . . for the Hebrew word shown here as ‘springing’ means LIVING. Then starts the arguments over doctrine! ‘This revelation (water) is how we see it!’ . . . ‘It has to be understood our way!’ ‘All those acknowledged and anointed (?) theologians can’t be wrong!’

Genesis 26:20 *And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac’s herdmen, saying, The water is ours: and he called the name of the well Esek; because they strove with him.*

(21) *And they dug another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it Sitnah.*

SITNAH means **HATRED**. By bringing forth revelation by the Spirit of God that undermines the security of WHAT the thirty and sixty fold believe . . . one can readily draw forth bitter exchanges! If that happens with you — hard as it may well be — move on: the Lord will lead you, the Lord will feed you and your wells will produce the living water of His life.

MOVE ON IN THE SPIRIT AND IN THE NATURAL

Genesis 26:22 *And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.* (That too is the cry in the hearts of the hungry).

(23) *And he went up from thence to Beer-sheba. (= the well of an oath).*

We have a promise, so we go ‘up’ from that place of just talking about it, to achieving it by His grace.

I make this oath: **‘I am determined to find the living water and hear His voice declaring His mind’.**

Make this oath and the Lord will communicate with you the same night. He will meet you in your ignorance (night) where you can’t see anything! His blessing to those desirous of maturing will be great . . . in fact, fourfold as the next verse indicates. . .

Genesis 26:24 *And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham’s sake.* There is no fear in walking with our God for He said that He would NEVER leave nor forsake us.

AN ALTAR IS A PLACE OF DEATH

You cannot avoid building an altar! It is the place of death to all your previous **letter-word understandings** and the shallowness of what you thought was great. . . put all that on this altar! With this altar in place, then you can pitch your tent — your arena of fellowship with the Lord and His hungry saints enjoying a flow of such gentleness, confidence and trust.

Genesis 26:25 *And he built an altar there, and called upon the name of the LORD and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.*

Isaac's servants worked with Isaac . . . a corporate digging bringing solid confirmations.

Genesis 26:26 *Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army.*

Abimelech chose to go some of the way with Isaac, but wouldn't pay the full price of being separated from the majority vote!

Genesis 26:27 *And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent me away from you?*

(28) *And they said, We saw certainly that the LORD was with thee: and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee;*

Notice that they were eager to make a covenant with 'man' before entering in on the covenant that they had with God.

YOUR FOLLOWING THE LORD WILL BE TESTED

All hungry saints desiring to hear God's voice and do what He says can be costly! Your response to Father will show in your walk and that will draw other ones desirous of walking in the love of the Lord to you.

Others whom the Father is not drawing at this time will tend to ostracize you. You haven't spoken against them nor even 'looked down your nose at them' — even though they 'sent you away' (same as making it uncomfortable to remain!). . . you remained — loving them and acknowledging that they too are a part of Christ. When attacked or opposed, there is no desire to retaliate by trying to substantiate your new found position on a level which you think they should understand!

Genesis 26:29 *That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou art now the blessed of the LORD.*

(30) *And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.*

The 'Isaac-sons' simply share or overflow what they have received from the Lord. We have been feeding on the living Spirit-revealed word and drinking of the anointing of God's presence and unveiled mind. We need *to have the answer of the hope* (1 Peter 3:15) *that is in us* so that we can answer their questions . . . provided that they are hungry and not seeking to fill our wells up with their old traditional limitations or just want us to 'tickle their ears!'

Genesis 26:31 *And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.*

'They' still didn't stay to fellowship with the maturing ones, but the 'door was left "open" for them to return'.

Genesis 26:32 *And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, we have found water . . .*

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Genesis 26:33 *And he called it Shebah: therefore the name of the city is Beer-sheba unto this day.*

'Beersheba' = THE WELL OF AN OATH.

God has given us His New Covenant, New Testament, His oath . . . which is His will (what He has

determined) . . . and it is CERTAIN to come to pass. The reason being that God declared it and He, being Love, what He has declared cannot fail. He has purposed it all before time began, knowing every outcome in the minutest detail . . . so He can readily say through Paul that *all things work together for good* . . . the good of His purposes.

Actually He has only ever had one purpose — that of bringing mankind forth in His image and likeness (Genesis 1:26-27) — He is doing it *every man in his own order* . . . *line upon line* . . . a steady progress via His Lordship in a life.

Now the Lord is that Spirit and where the Spirit is Lord, there is liberty for Him to change us from glory to glory into His image (2 Corinthians 3:17-18).

Dear Reader, if you have found some water of Life, check you wells to be sure that they do not have any 'earth' still in them. You will know that they are clear by the spirit-word releasing the life of the Living Word (Jesus) from within you. *Faithful is He who has called you, for He will do it.*

Rejoice in this and continue to encourage those who are dry, to dig some wells. §