

Abandoned Well | sermon Digging Wells | series Vladimir Savchuk | speaker Genesis 26:15, 18, 22 | scripture November 3, 2019 | date

1. Philistines stopped the wells by filling them with earth.

- A. Wells without water are <u>prisons.</u> (Gen.37:24; Jer.38:6; Matt.21:13). When the heart stops hosting the presence, the enemy turns it into a prison.
- B. Wells are where <u>divine connections are made</u>. (Gen.24, 29; Ex.2:16; John 4:4). Don't be a gold digger, be a well digger. World says, "build an empire"; word says, "build a well".
- C. The enemy seeks to fill our well with <u>earth</u> so that our well will not water the earth. (Mark 4:19). Water is a gift from God, a well is a gift to the world. Every believer has received water but not everyone is releasing it. (John 4:13-14; 7:38-39).

2. Isaac dug again the wells of his father.

How to Dig Old Wells: (Rev.2:5)

- A. Remember when you sought God's face. Favor follows, when His face is sought.
- B. Repent by turning your back on your sin and life. To seek His face, we must turn our back on everything else.
- C. Repeat seek His face again.
- D. <u>Reward</u> will be His favor. (Rev.2:7). Whatever you turn your back on to in pursuit of His face, God will water. (Matt.6:33)

3. Herdsman fought Isaac over the wells he dug.

- A. When rejected, build <u>wells of water</u>, not <u>walls of offense</u>. Many people will only like you when you are like them. Don't lose water when you lose friends. Your enemies will get thirsty, your well will water them. (Zach.12:10)
- B. Arguments can dissolve if we give up our rights, pick up our responsibility and safeguard other people's interests. Contract is for protecting my rights, limiting my responsibility, and safeguarding my interests. Covenant is for laying down my rights, picking up my responsibility, and safeguarding other person's interest
- C. People who walk in <u>favor</u> must avoid <u>fights for fairness</u>. (Matt.18:21-35). Jesus gives a mirror to those without mercy. (John 8:1-11). Jesus is the only one who does not need to be reminded of his past to be compassionate. Seek the favor of God, not the fairness from man.

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