

“Then Isaac sowed in that land, and reaped in the same year a hundredfold; and the LORD blessed him. The man began to prosper, and continued prospering until he became very prosperous; for he had possessions of flocks and possessions of herds and a great number of servants. **So the Philistines envied him.** Now the Philistines had stopped up all the wells which his father's servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father, and **they had filled them with earth.** And Abimelech said to Isaac, ‘Go away from us, for you are much mightier than we.’” **Genesis 26:12-16**

“Then Isaac departed from there and **pitched his tent in the Valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.** 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 up after the death of Abraham. He **called them by the names which his father had called them.** Also Isaac's servants dug in the valley, and found a well of running water there. But the **herdsmen of Gerar quarreled with Isaac's herdsmen,** saying, ‘The water is ours.’ So he called the **name of the well Esek,** because they quarreled with him. Then they dug another well, and **they quarreled over that one also. So he called its name Sitnah.”** **Genesis 26:17-21**

“And he moved from there and dug another well, and they did not quarrel over it. **So he called its name Rehoboth**, because he said, ‘For now the LORD has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.’ Then he went up from there to **Beersheba**. And the **LORD appeared to him the same night** and said, ‘I am the God of your father Abraham; do not fear, for I am with you. I will bless you and multiply your descendants for My servant Abraham's sake.’ **So he built an altar there and called on the name of the LORD**, and he pitched his tent there; and there Isaac's servants dug a well.” **Genesis 26:22-25**

**“There Was A Famine In The Land”**

**1. The LORD Said “Stay” V. 2-6**

**2. Isaac lied – Abimelech protected  
V. 7-11**

**3. Isaac prospered “a hundredfold” V. 12-14**

**4. PHILISTINES, TO REMOVE ABRAHAM’S  
HISTORY, HAD FILLED HIS WELLS  
“WITH DIRT” V. 15**

**(Like pulling down historical statues?)**



# ISAAC RE-DUG 5 WELLS:

1. **V. 14** - "Envy"

2. **V. 20** - "Esek" = "Quarrel"

3. **V. 21** - "Sitnah" = "Enmity"

4. **V. 22** - "Rehoboth" = "Spacious"

5. **V. 23-33** - "Shebah" = "Seven"



***NOTHING WRONG WITH KEEPING OUR  
FATHER'S WELLS & NAMES! V. 18***

# **“Dirt” To Be Removed**

## **1. Envy of Denominationalism**

**Luke 11:46, 52; 2 Timothy 4:3-4**

## **2. Quarrelling over Nothing**

**1 Timothy 6:5**

## **3. Enmity/Hatred Toward Others**

**Ephesians 4:31**

## **4. Evil Suspicions **1 Timothy 6:4; Titus 1:15****



# ***What "Wells" Should We Dig Out?***

## **1. Steady Bible Study**

**John 8:31-32; 2 Peter 1:3**

## **2. Fruitful Faith**

**Mark 16:16; Ephesians 2:10**

## **3. Personal Prayer**

**Matthew 6:6**

## **4. "Awesome" Worship**

**Hearts United – Psalm 95:6**

## **5. Full of Forgiveness**

**Colossians 3:13**



# ***WHY RE-DIG OLD WELLS?***

**1. THIS WORLD NEEDS "THE  
WATER OF LIFE"**

**Revelation 21:6**

**2. WE NEED WATER, AND SO WILL OUR  
CHILDREN/GRANDCHILDREN!**

**Psalm 103:17**

**3. INSPIRED HISTORY TEACHES IT**

**Hebrews 12:1; Acts 2:38**

