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The Altar: Drinking Water In A Drought

Genesis 26:12-25 - *When Isaac planted his crops that year, he harvested a hundred times more grain than he planted, for the LORD blessed him.* 13 *He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow.* 14 *He acquired so many flocks of sheep and goats, herds of cattle, and servants that the Philistines became jealous of him.* 15 *So the Philistines filled up all of Isaac's wells with dirt. These were the wells that had been dug by the servants of his father, Abraham.* 16 *Finally, Abimelech ordered Isaac to leave the country. "Go somewhere else," he said, "for you have become too powerful for us."* 17 *So Isaac moved away to the Gerar Valley, where he set up their tents and settled down.* 18 *He reopened the wells his father had dug, which the Philistines had filled in after Abraham's death. Isaac also restored the names Abraham had given them.* 19 *Isaac's servants also dug in the Gerar Valley and discovered a well of fresh water.* 20 *But then the shepherds from Gerar came and claimed the spring. "This is our water," they said, and they argued over it with Isaac's herdsmen. So Isaac named the well Esek (which means "argument").* 21 *Isaac's men then dug another well, but again there was a dispute over it. So Isaac named it Sitnah (which means "hostility").* 22 *Abandoning that one, Isaac moved on and dug another well. This time there was no dispute over it, so Isaac named the place Rehoboth (which means "open space"), for he said, "At last the LORD has created enough space for us to prosper in this land."* 23 *From there Isaac moved to Beersheba,* 24 *where the LORD appeared to him on the night of his arrival. "I am the God of your father, Abraham," he said. "Do not be afraid, for I am with you and will bless you. I will multiply your descendants, and they will become a great nation. I will do this because of my promise to Abraham, my servant."* 25 *Then Isaac built an altar there and worshiped the LORD. He set up his camp at that place, and his servants dug another well.*

2 Timothy 2:11-13 - *This is a trustworthy saying: If we die with him, we will also live with him.* 12 *If we endure hardship, we will reign with him. If we deny him, he will deny us.* 13 *If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny who he is.*

Genesis 26:5 - *I will do this because Abraham listened to me and obeyed all my requirements, commands, decrees, and instructions.*

God Blesses Us Today Because Of The Work Of Jesus

Proverbs 27:4 - *Anger is cruel, and wrath is like a flood, but jealousy is even more dangerous.*

It Was Only When God Started Blessing Isaac That He Was Asked To Leave

Romans 12:18 - *Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone.*

Every Hard Situation In Life Demands Discernment

James 3:17 - *But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere.*

For Some Of Us It's The Wells We've Allowed The Enemy To Fill Up

1) **A Revelation Of His Father's God.**
2) **The Promise Of Divine Presence.**
3) **The Promise Of Blessing And Family.**

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An Unwavering Faith And Commitment To God Leads To Our Drinking Water In A Drought