### August 30th 2020

### Reach. Raise. Release.



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## Welcome to The Well!

Thank you so much for joining us today! We are so happy that you are here with us! If you call this your home or are just passing through you matter to us and, more importantly, to God! We will begin with a few songs, share a message of life-change, and end with a time of worship & reflection. We hope you leave today filled with hope and peace!

Lou & Kristen - Lead Pastors

# DIE NIGHT LUSSTRAM EXPERIENCE LEARN MORE AT MARRIAGENICHT.ORG

Join us for our Marriage Night Simulcast! September 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 9:00 pm! \$15/person \$30/couple. Soon to be engaged, engaged, & married couples welcome! Meal and childcare provided! Sign-up online at www.thewellts.com/events or on the church app! You must sign up through the link to attend!

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# **LIKE SOMETHING** YOU HEARD TODAY?

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- 02 SEE A VICTORY ELEVATION WORSHIP
  - TREMBLE MOSAIC MSC

### FUSION

Join us for Fusion: Family Fridays each Friday night at 6:30pm - 8:30pm! Dinner starts at 6:30pm and we have classes for all ages!

This month's theme is Make A Splash! We will have a huge water slide and games for our students. Childcare for 0-6 years is provided!



Reach

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### Join us at Next Steps!

If you are new to The Well and have never attended a Next Steps class, we welcome you to join us September 20<sup>th</sup> immediately following service to meet our pastor, ask questions, and learn more about us! Light snacks and water provided.

Want to get involved? Join our Dream Team! Fill out our serve form at <u>www.thewellts.com/serve</u> or visit our app to get started! Want to go touch free?

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### A New Normal: When You Lament

Exodus 17:1-7. Then all the congregation of the sons of Israel journeyed by stages from the wilderness of Sin, according to the command of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, and there was no water for the people to drink. Therefore, the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water that we may drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and they grumbled against Moses and said, "Why, now, have you brought us up from Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" So, Moses cried out to the LORD, saying, "What shall I do to this people? A little more and they will stone me." Then the LORD said to Moses, "Pass before the people and take with you some of the elders of Israel; and take in your hand your staff with which you struck the Nile and go. Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. He named the place Massah and Meribah because of the quarrel of the sons

of Israel, and because they tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us, or not?"

### They want control and they attempt to gain it with 3 different tactics.

Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water...(V3,4)

They want  $\operatorname{Him}$  to act as they command instead of patiently waiting for  $\operatorname{Him}$  to provide as  $\operatorname{He}$  has promised.

Making threats is an attempt to force control. God, you better do this or we're going to punish you.

Verse 2 "...Why do you test the LORD?" and in verse 7 "He named the place Massah and Meribah because of the quarrel of the sons of Israel, and because they tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us, or not?"

What does God do? He provides. But, don't mistake God's provision with His permission because in Psalm 95:8-11, we find out God wasn't happy about this moment. Lament means to grieve, to cry out, to mourn. It's allowing ourselves to feel the weight of our circumstances and to pray vulnerably to the Lord fully trusting His provision and admitting He's in control.

# The Israelites, in their pride and impatience, missed out on this opportunity with the Lord. But, the good news for us – there's still time...

Two things to remember when lamenting:

Just because God is \_\_\_\_\_\_ doesn't mean he is \_\_\_\_\_!!

You Don't need to know the \_\_\_\_\_\_ to trust his \_\_\_\_\_!!!

What feelings do I need to express to the Lord this week? What ways can I give Him my trust and obedience – knowing He provides?

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