

Open the Wells of The Spirit

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I. Introduction:

1. Our Conference Theme

- The Church began in Book Acts with a Move of The Spirit of God
 - We need the Presence and Power of Holy Spirit
- Overflowing Life:
- Jesus Revelation of the Holy Spirit
 - [Jhn 7:37](#) *On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink."*
 - [Jhn 7:38](#) *He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, **out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.**"*
- Jesus Vision: People joined relationally back to Father God and overflowing with the Spirit
 - Living Wells
 - He gave His life for this cause
 - At the Cross He dug a well for every person to be refreshed by the Holy Spirit

2. Key Passage: Redigging the Wells

- [Gen 26:15](#) *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.***
- [Gen 26:16](#) *And Abimelech said to Isaac, "Go away from us, for you are much mightier than we."*
- [Gen 26:17](#) *Then Isaac departed from there and **pitched his tent in the Valley of Gerar**, and dwelt there.*
- [Gen 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 up after the death of Abraham**. He called them by the names which his father had called them.*
- [Gen 26:19](#) *Also Isaac's servants dug in the valley, and found a well of running water there.*
- [Gen 26:20](#) *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.*
- [Gen 26:21](#) *Then they **dug another well**, and they quarreled over that one also. So he **called its name Sitnah**.*
- [Gen 26:22](#) *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."*
- [Gen 26:23](#) *Then he went up from there to Beersheba.*
- [Gen 26:24](#) *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."*
- [Gen 26:25](#) *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.*

3. Symbols:

- Well = Source of Water, Essential for Life
 - Well = Represents the Life Flow of the Holy Spirit Himself
 - Well = Men and Women who are anointed by the Holy Spirit
 - Well = Ministries that are anointed by the Holy Spirit bring life eg schools, care
 - Well = Local Church when the Presence and Power of God is tangibly present
- Ezekiel's Vision of the River of Water flowing out of the temple (Ezek.47)
 - Waters flowing from the temple brought life, healing, salvation

4. Jesus Teaching on Holy Spirit

- **A Well within us of Living Water**
 - [Jhn 4:14](#) *but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will **become in him a fountain of water springing up** into everlasting life."*
- **A Flow Of Living Water from Within**
 - [Jhn 7:38](#) *He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, **out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.**"*
 - [Jhn 7:39](#) *But this **He spoke concerning the Spirit**, whom those believing in Him would receive;*

II. Key Principles

1. **God intends Blessings to be Generational**
 - [Gen 26:15](#) *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.***
 - **Wells were places of Gathering**
 - **Wells were a Generational Legacy**
 - God is a Generational God...God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
 - He intends that the blessings of one generation flow to the next generation
 - Revival and victories won in one generation need to be valued and built upon by the next generation
 - Each generation needs fresh encounters with Holy Spirit
 - Eg. Joy's Father
2. **Our Enemy the Devil seeks to stop the Wells of Revival**
 - [Gen 26:15](#) *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.***
 - The Philistines were perpetual enemies of Israel
 - The Philistines **envied** the blessings and prosperity that were upon Abraham (vs.14)
 - **Joseph** was betrayed by brothers who **envied** him
 - **Jesus** was put to death by religious people who **envied** him
 - **Demonic Spirits seek to rob each generation of the blessings won by the previous generation**
 - **The Philistines filled in the wells with earth (vs15)**
 - To stop the well means stop the flow of Life Giving Water
 - They sought to Quench the Holy Spirit flowing and blessing
 - **"Earth" represents the human nature of man seeking to be in control, look good, and take rather than give**
 - When we create substitutes for the Presence and Power of God, the wells of revival and blessing become filled in
 - **What Causes Wells to become Filled In?**
 1. Familiarity and Dishonour of Holy Spirit (Mk6:1-6)
 2. Desire for Control and Looking Good (Mt.23:5)
 3. Fear and Intimidation (2Tim.1:6-7)
 4. Despising and Neglecting the Gifts (1Tim.4:15)
 5. Carnality (Gal.5)
 6. Disunity and Conflict
3. **Each Generation must Honour and Value what was won by the Previous Generation**
 - [Gen 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 up after the death of Abraham. He called them by the names which his father had called them.***
 - **Isaac = The Next Generation**
 - Isaac was a second generation believer
 - Isaac did not forget what his father Abraham had done
 - He didn't despise and ignore what his Father Abraham had done
 - He placed value on what had been done and revived it
 - **Isaac Dug again the wells which the previous generation had dug**
 - He removed the obstructions and opened up the well
 - It is much easier to locate and open up a well which has already been dug than to dig a new well
 - Obstructions to. The flow of the Holy Spirit can be both **Personal** and **Corporate**
 - **There was a contention over each well that was opened**
 - **CityLife Well Diggers**
 - Richard Holland

- Kevin Connor
- Mark Connor
- Andrew Hill
- Andrew Chisolm

○ **Wells That were opened**

- The Presence and Power of God
- Teaching and Equipping
- Evangelism
- Church Planting
- Wealth/Finance for the Harvest

4. Each Generation Must Open up a Fresh Well

- [Gen 26:32](#) *It came to pass the same day that Isaac's servants came and told him about the well which they had dug, and said to him, "We have found water."*
- **Isaac dug a new well**
 - Isaac valued and opened up the wells dug by his father Abraham
 - Isaac also opened up a fresh and new well
- **Each Generation must dig new Wells**
 - There are new challenges and needs in every generation
 - New strategies and ministry expressions are needed
- **How to Dig or Open New Well**
 - Honour and make room for the Holy Spirit
 - Listen for His Vision and Direction and Obey Him
 - Strong Personal and Corporate Prayer
 - Fasting
 - Alignment and Unity of the church leadership (Acts.2:1)
 - Sacrifice: Investment of Time, Energy and Resources

III. The Challenge:

- [Neh 2:18](#) *And I told them of the hand of my God which had been good upon me, and also of the king's words that he had spoken to me.*
- ***So they said, "Let us rise up and build." Then they set their hands to this good work.***