

THE WATERS OF THE 100 FOLD INHERITANCE

Genesis 26:1-6

1 And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.

2 And **the Lord appeared unto him**, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:

3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father;

4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and **in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;**

5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

6 And **Isaac dwelt in Gerar:**

Genesis 26:12-22

12 Then **Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold:** and the Lord blessed him.

13 And **the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great:**

14 **For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.**

15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

16 And **Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.**

17 And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.

18 And **Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father;** for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and **he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.**

19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of springing water.

20 And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, **The water is ours:** and he called the name of the well **Esek** (strife); **because they strove with him.**

21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it **Sitnah** (contention).

22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it **Rehoboth**; and he said, **For now the Lord hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.**

❖ Isaac Renamed the Wells of Water (Gen 26:18)

The naming of wells by Abraham gave the hereditary right of the water to him and his family. The change of the names and capping of the wells by the Philistines was to obliterate the traces and origins thereof. Isaac exercised his faith by renaming the wells or "speaking to the wells", thereby giving him exclusive claim and possession of the water.