

Staying Near So You Are Not Dragged Away.

Genesis 26 King James Version (KJV)

26 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. 1.... To drag away - meaning famine is a time where we have the tendency to panic. 2... His Father also had to make decisions during famine 3... His father went to Egypt but Isaac is told to stay, Abraham left and had issues.

² And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: 1... like in past God has a destination if you but trust him. 2... When he makes the wrong choice God steps in and says, where you are headed is wrong stay here.

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;

1.. I will be with thee here(not there) 2... I will bless thee here (not there) 3... It will be better for your children here (not there) There is land to be possessed here (not there) 4.. I have all ready determined in my mind to do it, I need your cooperation.

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;

1... Once again it's more about the generation coming behind you than you. 2... the blessing goes beyond his children's blessing nations being blessed will result.

⁵Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws. 1... there are blessings that come down to you that had nothing to do with you" because Abraham" "David"

⁶And Isaac dwelt in Gerar: dwelt where he wouldn't let fear and apprehension due to lack "Drag Him Away"

⁷And the men of the place asked him of his wife; and he said, she is my sister: for he feared to say, She is my wife; lest, said he, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she was fair to look upon.

1.... Same testing of weaknesses that are generational 2... Afraid that the wife God gave him would result in his death? She is Rebecca not Jezebel

⁸And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac was sporting with Rebekah his wife.⁹And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she is thy

wife; and how saidst thou, She is my sister? And Isaac said unto him, because I said, lest I die for her. 1... the way he was holding her he perceived they were married. 2... He was for sure! 3... Abimelech would say of today "wow everyone is getting married"

¹⁰ And Abimelech said, what is this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.

1..... the same word God said to Adam 2... I have done enough for you not to have error as your Father. 3... Once again Moses and the 10 commandments are way off in the future. 4.... The law is written upon the hearts of men.

¹¹ And Abimelech charged all his people, saying, He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death. 1... Fascinating, the penalty will be the same in the future covenant, it goes up another level in the new but he repercussions are different.

¹² Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year a hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.

1... Isaac still flawed receives 100 fold for just logistically staying where God had wanted him 2... His willingness to obey caused God to intervene due to his weakness in the most casual of ways.

¹³ And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: 1.... His

willingness to endure made him great 2... His desire to be relentless moved him forward and made him greater.

¹⁴ For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him. 1... ' I will increase you more and more you and your children"

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. 1... to cut off his wealth and inheritance the enemy attempts to fill in the wells that were dug by your Father " Abraham"

¹⁶ And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we. 1... rather than recognize your God they will seek to drive you away- we don't want to change our ways and recognize who is with you!

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.

1. He left but he didn't leave Gerar he went into the valley 2.. It was in the valley he discovered the wells of his father. 3... It was "in the valley of the shadow of adversity" The walk of being separated unto God and scorned by the world" There he connected with

the well spring of" vision" He gets connected with the dream of Abraham.