

# WELLS REOPENED

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ARISE, SHINE  
YOUR LIGHT HAS COME



**“The Lord, through Nita and Samantha, brought confirmation of wells being re-opened and unblocked in people’s lives and we ministered and prayed into that.”**

*- Reflection, Sunday 28 July*

## 2. Our Response:

Fear of God | Faith and action – Prayer agreement

- God is reopening wells in this season -

- What does it mean?
- Who is doing the work?
- Do we have a part to play?



### **3. Wells:**

Wells and water give life | For survival

#### **3.1 Old Testament:**

- *Wells were important | Life-giving; Fruitful and civilisation around it*
- *The Patriarchs dug it and named it | Fights were fought around it*
- *Family, community and life was built around wells*

#### **Genesis 26:17–22**

17 So Isaac departed from there and encamped in the Valley of Gerar and settled there. 18 And Isaac dug again the wells of water that had been dug in the days of Abraham his





father, which the Philistines had stopped after the death of Abraham. And he gave them the names that his father had given them. 19 But when Isaac's servants dug in the valley and found there a well of spring water, 20 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 contended with him. 21 Then they dug another well, and they quarreled over that also, so he called its name Sitnah. 22 And he moved from there and dug another well, and they did not quarrel over it. So he called its name Rehoboth, 4 saying, "For now the LORD has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land."

***- See God's heart!***



**2 Kings 3:19** And you shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good tree, and stop all wells of water, and mar every good piece of land with stones.

- *Close the well. Kill off the water. Kill the people.*
- *Used: Dead animals, rocks [boulders], sand*



## 3.2 New Testament:

Often what is physical in the Old Testament finds its spiritual fulfilment and meaning in Christ and is reflected in the NT...

*Old T – Water, Physical = New T – Water, Spiritual – Holy Spirit*

*Old T – Water Well, Physical = New T – Well, Spiritual – Source HS*

Example: Family, community and life was built around wells

**#1 So where are OUR WELLS?**

**#2 What STOPS up the wells?**





## 4. Our Wells:

**John 6:63** The Spirit is the One who gives life. The flesh doesn't help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

**John 4:6** Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, worn out from His journey, sat down at the well. It was about six in the evening.<sup>7</sup> A woman of Samaria came to draw water. "Give Me a drink," Jesus said to her, <sup>8</sup> for His disciples had gone into town to buy food. <sup>9</sup> "How is it that You, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" she asked Him. For Jews do not associate with Samaritans. <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered, "If you knew the gift of God,





and who is saying to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would ask Him, and He would give you living water.” 11 “Sir,” said the woman, “You don’t even have a bucket, and the well is deep. So where do You get this ‘living water’? 12 You aren’t greater than our father Jacob, are You? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and livestock.” 13 Jesus said, “Everyone who drinks from this water will get thirsty again. 14 But whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again—ever! In fact, the water I will give him **will become a well of water springing up within him for eternal life.**” 15 “Sir,” the woman said to Him, “give me this water so I won’t get thirsty and come here to draw water.”



For us: God has and wants to  
open us all up as living water  
wells and rivers –

1. Individually

2. Corporately





## 5. Our Response:

There is a grace and He is doing it!

### 1. DRINK:

**John 4:14** “But whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again—ever! In fact, the water I will give him will become a well of water springing up within him for eternal life.”



## 2. DO NOT SIN against the Holy Spirit:

1. Grieve,
2. Quench,
3. Lying,
4. Resist, or
5. Blaspheme the Holy Spirit...

It hurts our relationship with God the Holy Spirit and stifles the flow of the WELL inside of us.

Be sensitive





# DO NOT SIN against the Holy Spirit:

## 1. Grieve the Holy Spirit

**Ephesians 4:30-32** “And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be **kind and compassionate to one another**, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

- **Bitterness is like dead animals and the rocks in a well**
- **Sorrow and saddens**



## 2. Quenching the Holy Spirit

**1 Thessalonians 5:19-22** “Do not quench the Spirit. Do not treat prophecies with contempt but test them all; hold on to what is good, reject every kind of evil.”

- **suppressing or stifling His work | His gifts | His moving**
- **EXTINGUISH** | This can happen by ignoring or rejecting the spiritual gifts and guidance He provides, particularly in the context of the community of believers.





### 3. Resisting the Holy Spirit:

**Acts 7:51** “You stiff-necked people! Your hearts and ears are still uncircumcised. You are just like your ancestors: You always resist the Holy Spirit!”

- **stubbornly opposing His work, often due to hard-heartedness or a refusal to accept the message**



## 4. Lying to the Holy Spirit:

**Acts 5:3** “Then Peter said, ‘Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land?’”

- **involves deceitful actions that are attempts to deceive God**




## 5. Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit:

**Matthew 12:31-32** “And so I tell you, every kind of sin and slander can be forgiven, but blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but anyone who speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.”





A close-up photograph of water splashing over a dark, wet rock. The water is captured in mid-air, creating a dynamic and energetic scene. The background is blurred, showing more of the rocky surface and the water's flow. The lighting is natural, highlighting the texture of the water and the rock.

“Above all else, guard  
your heart, for it is  
the wellspring of life”

Proverbs 4:23

- God is reopening wells in this season -

- What does it mean? *[This is surely His will]*
- Who is doing the work? *[There is a work of grace]*
- Do we have a part to play? *[Absolutely]*



1. Drink of Him

2. Do not sin against the Holy Spirit & be sensitive to the Holy Spirit





# LET'S PRAY



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