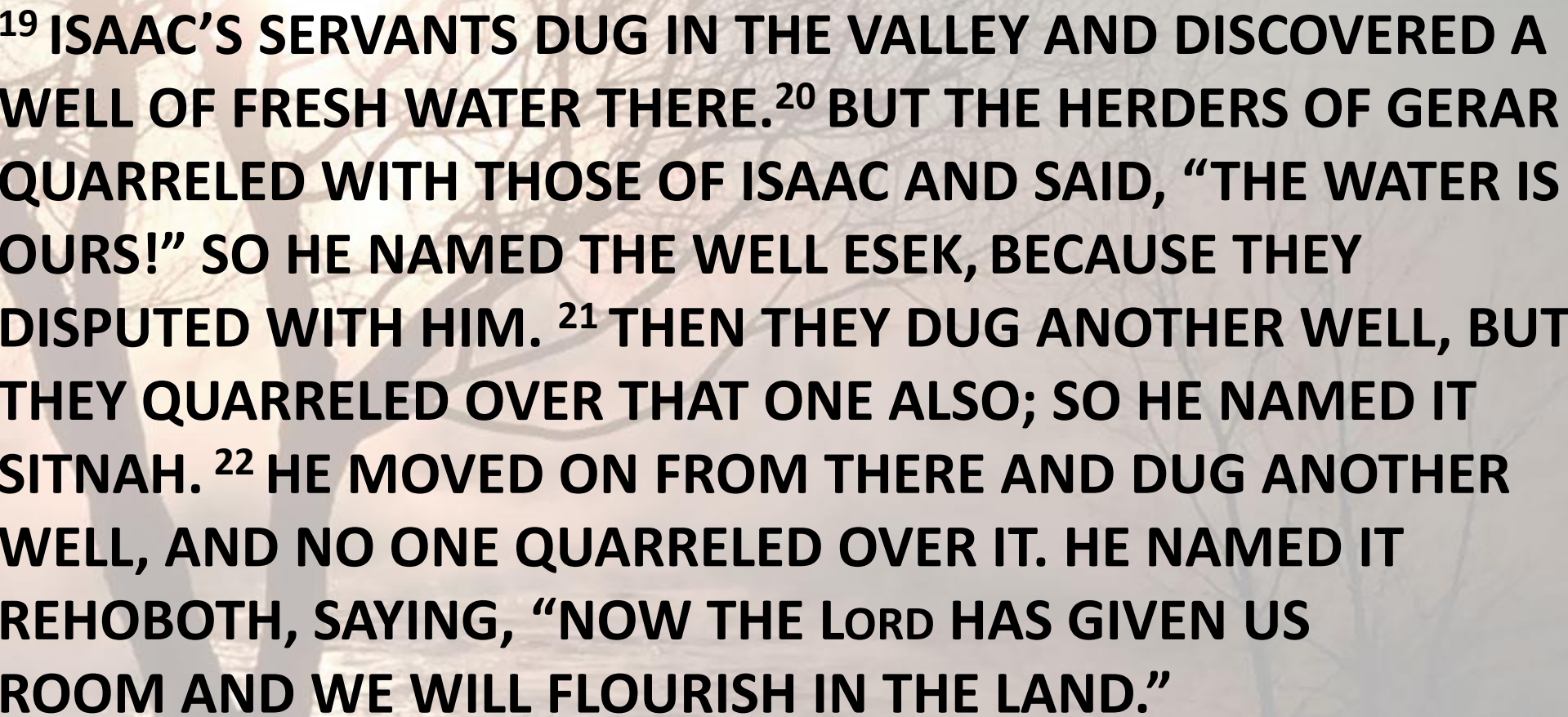


The Wells of Isaac

“Keys to unlock a season of increase”

Genesis 26





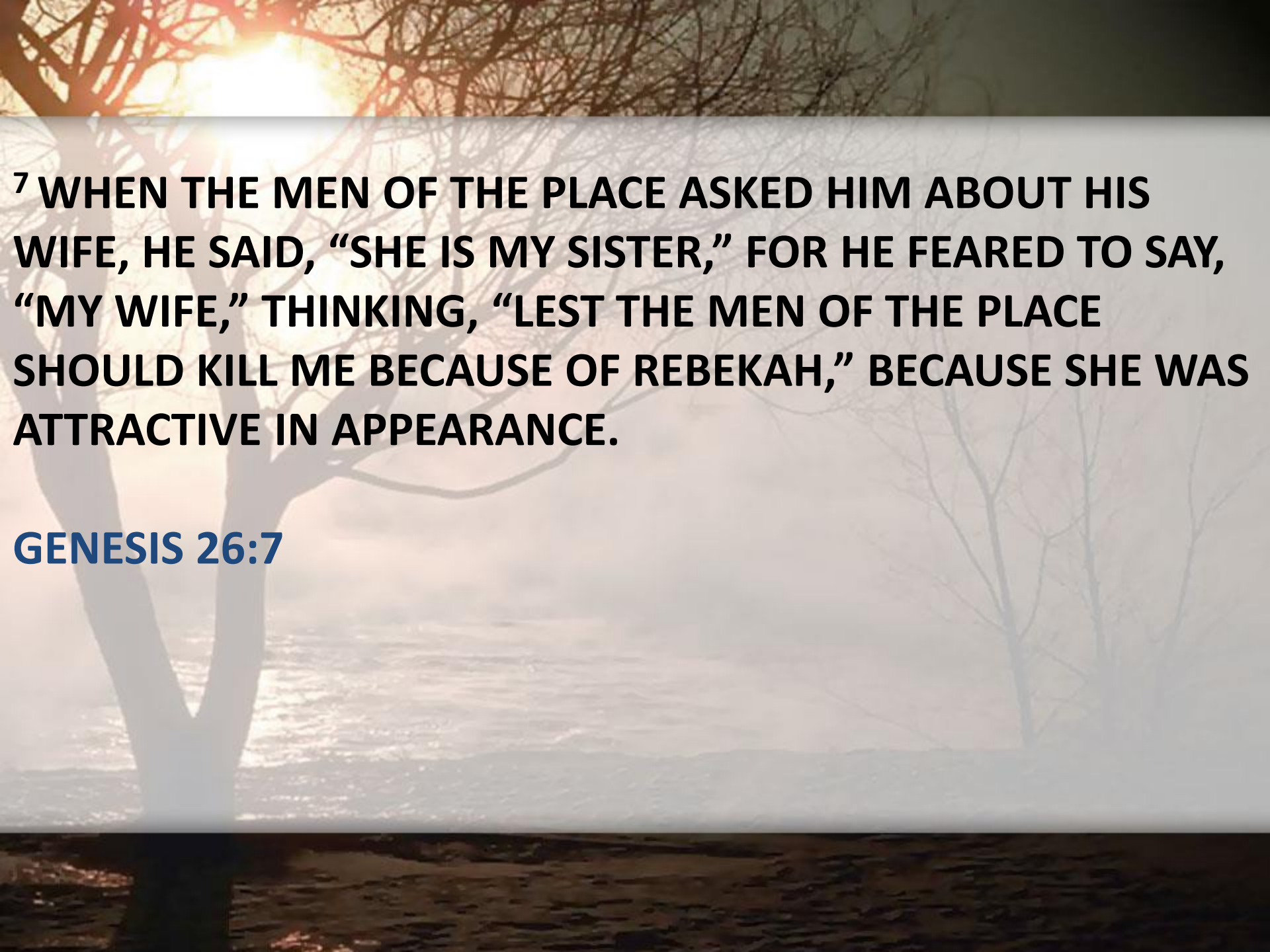
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GENESIS 26:19 – 22



BECAUSE ABRAHAM **OBEYED** ME AND DID EVERYTHING I
REQUIRED OF HIM, KEEPING MY COMMANDS, MY
DECREES AND MY INSTRUCTIONS.

GENESIS 26:5

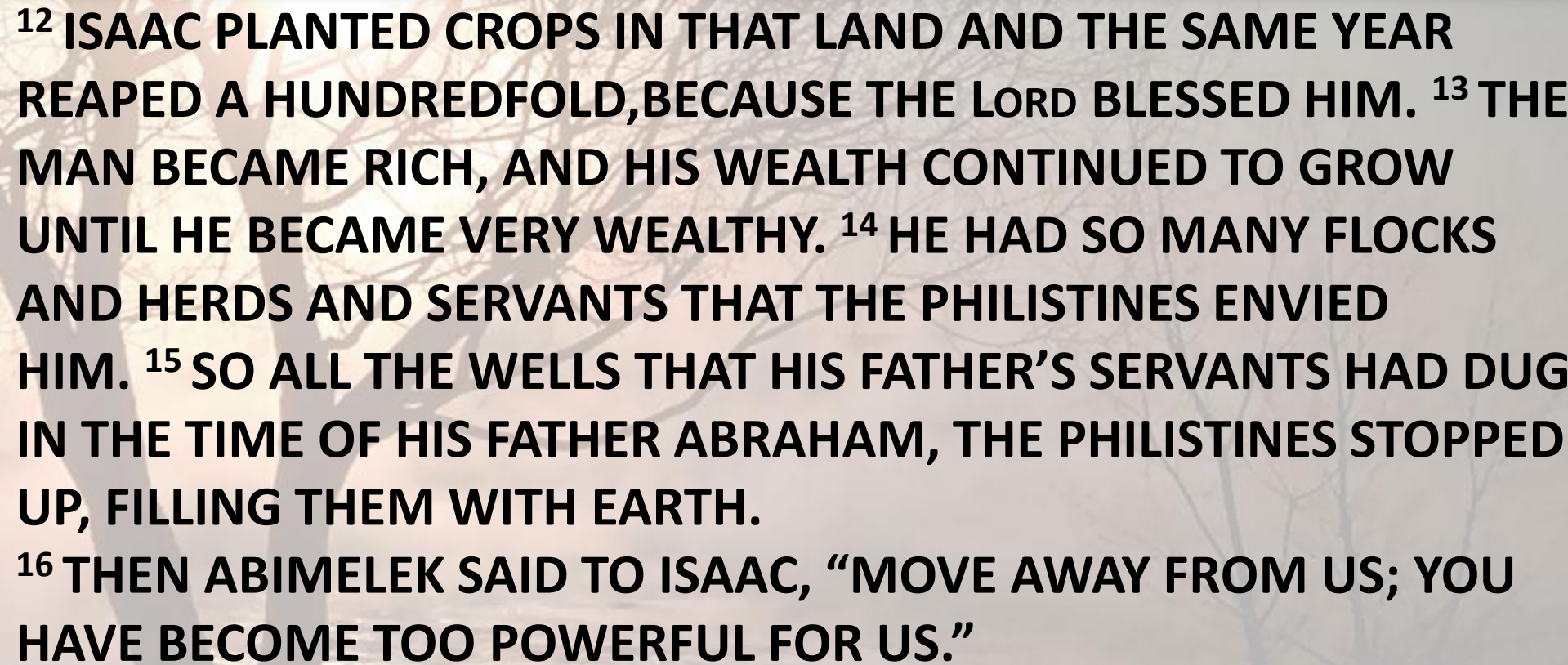


7 WHEN THE MEN OF THE PLACE ASKED HIM ABOUT HIS WIFE, HE SAID, "SHE IS MY SISTER," FOR HE FEARED TO SAY, "MY WIFE," THINKING, "LEST THE MEN OF THE PLACE SHOULD KILL ME BECAUSE OF REBEKAH," BECAUSE SHE WAS ATTRACTIVE IN APPEARANCE.

GENESIS 26:7

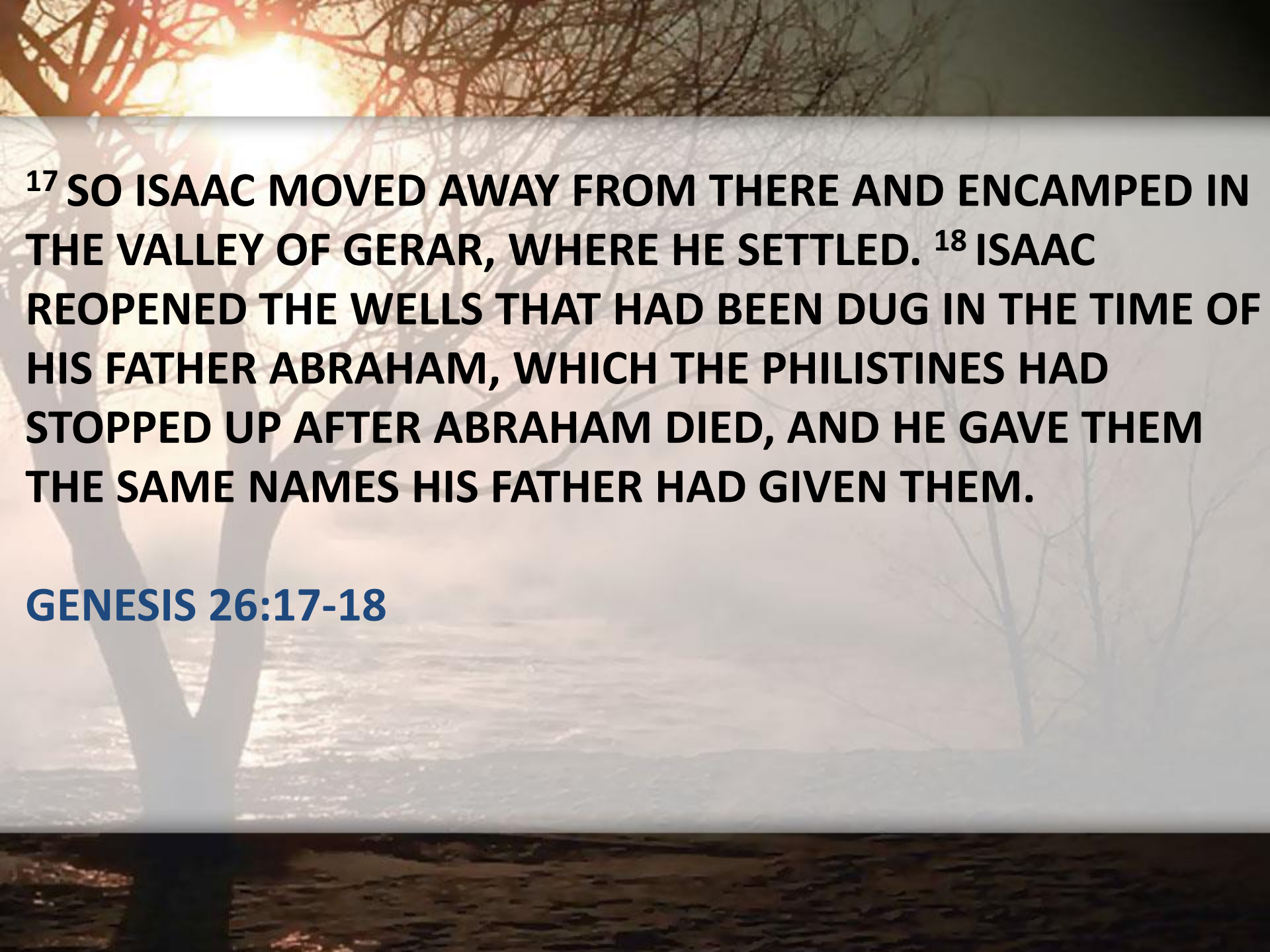
8 WHEN HE HAD BEEN THERE A LONG TIME, ABIMELECH KING OF THE PHILISTINES LOOKED OUT OF A WINDOW AND SAW ISAAC LAUGHING WITH REBEKAH HIS WIFE.⁹ SO ABIMELECH CALLED ISAA AND SAID, “BEHOLD, SHE IS YOUR WIFE. HOW THEN COULD YOU SAY, ‘SHE IS MY SISTER’?” ISAAC SAID TO HIM, “BECAUSE I THOUGHT, ‘LEST I DIE BECAUSE OF HER.’”¹⁰ ABIMELECH SAID, “WHAT IS THIS YOU HAVE DONE TO US? ONE OF THE PEOPLE MIGHT EASILY HAVE LAIN WITH YOUR WIFE, AND YOU WOULD HAVE BROUGHT GUILT UPON US.”¹¹ SO ABIMELECH WARNED ALL THE PEOPLE, SAYING, ***“WHOEVER TOUCHES THIS MAN OR HIS WIFE SHALL SURELY BE PUT TO DEATH.”***

GENESIS 26:8-11



¹² ISAAC PLANTED CROPS IN THAT LAND AND THE SAME YEAR REAPED A HUNDREDFOLD, BECAUSE THE LORD BLESSED HIM. ¹³ THE MAN BECAME RICH, AND HIS WEALTH CONTINUED TO GROW UNTIL HE BECAME VERY WEALTHY. ¹⁴ HE HAD SO MANY FLOCKS AND HERDS AND SERVANTS THAT THE PHILISTINES ENVIED HIM. ¹⁵ SO ALL THE WELLS THAT HIS FATHER'S SERVANTS HAD DUG IN THE TIME OF HIS FATHER ABRAHAM, THE PHILISTINES STOPPED UP, FILLING THEM WITH EARTH. ¹⁶ THEN ABIMELEK SAID TO ISAAC, "MOVE AWAY FROM US; YOU HAVE BECOME TOO POWERFUL FOR US."

GENESIS 26:12-16



¹⁷ SO ISAAC MOVED AWAY FROM THERE AND ENCAMPED IN THE VALLEY OF GERAR, WHERE HE SETTLED. ¹⁸ ISAAC REOPENED THE WELLS THAT HAD BEEN DUG IN THE TIME OF HIS FATHER ABRAHAM, WHICH THE PHILISTINES HAD STOPPED UP AFTER ABRAHAM DIED, AND HE GAVE THEM THE SAME NAMES HIS FATHER HAD GIVEN THEM.

GENESIS 26:17-18

1. Reopen the wells of our lives

¹⁸ Isaac *reopened* the wells that had been dug in the time of his father Abraham,

Genesis 26:18

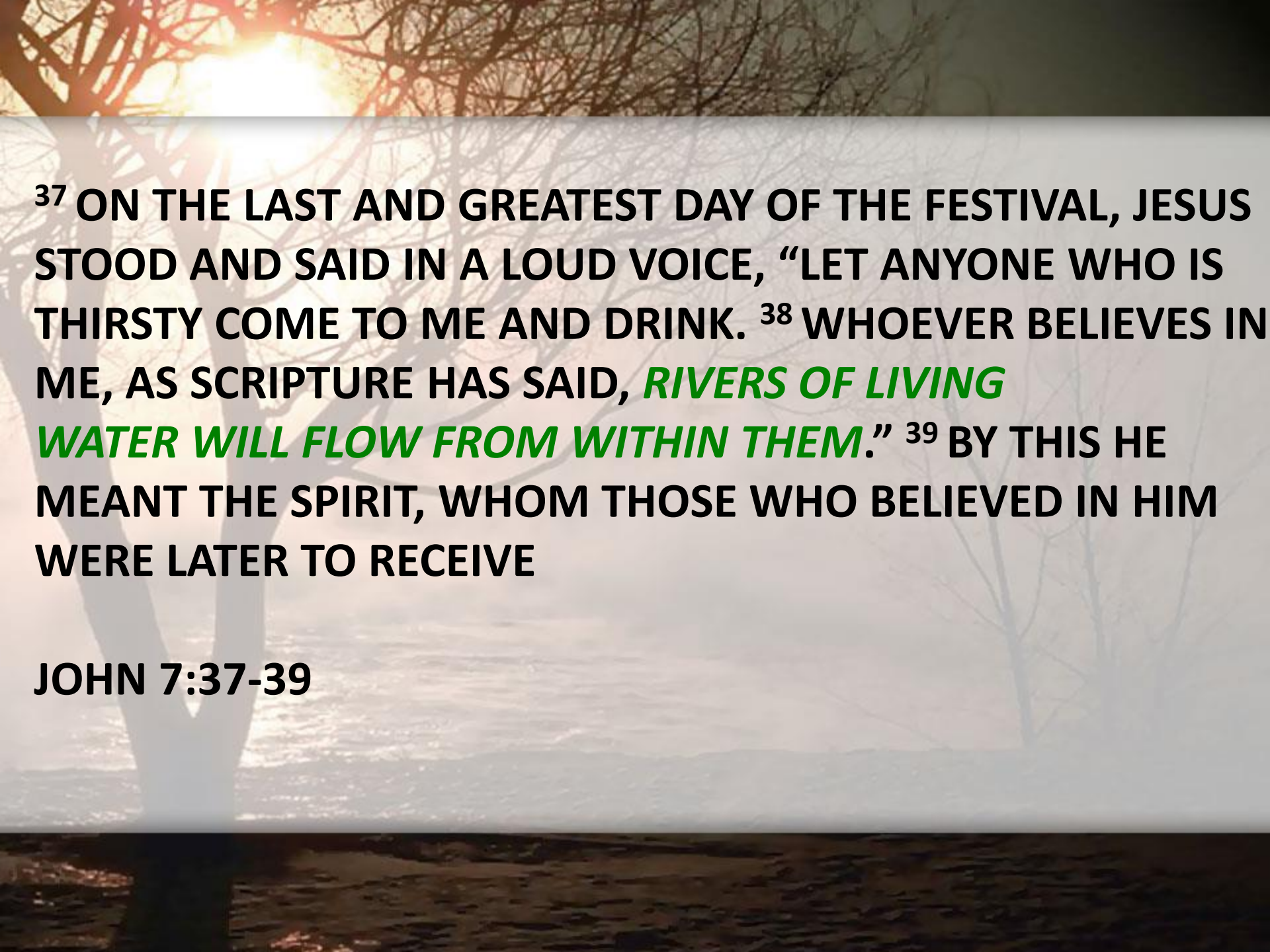
16 FROM THERE THEY CONTINUED ON TO BEER, THE WELL WHERE THE LORD SAID TO MOSES, “GATHER THE PEOPLE TOGETHER AND I WILL GIVE THEM WATER.”

17 THEN ISRAEL SANG THIS SONG: “SPRING UP, O WELL! SING ABOUT IT,

18 ABOUT THE WELL THAT THE PRINCES DUG, THAT THE NOBLES OF THE PEOPLE SANK—THE NOBLES WITH SCEPTERS AND STAFFS.”

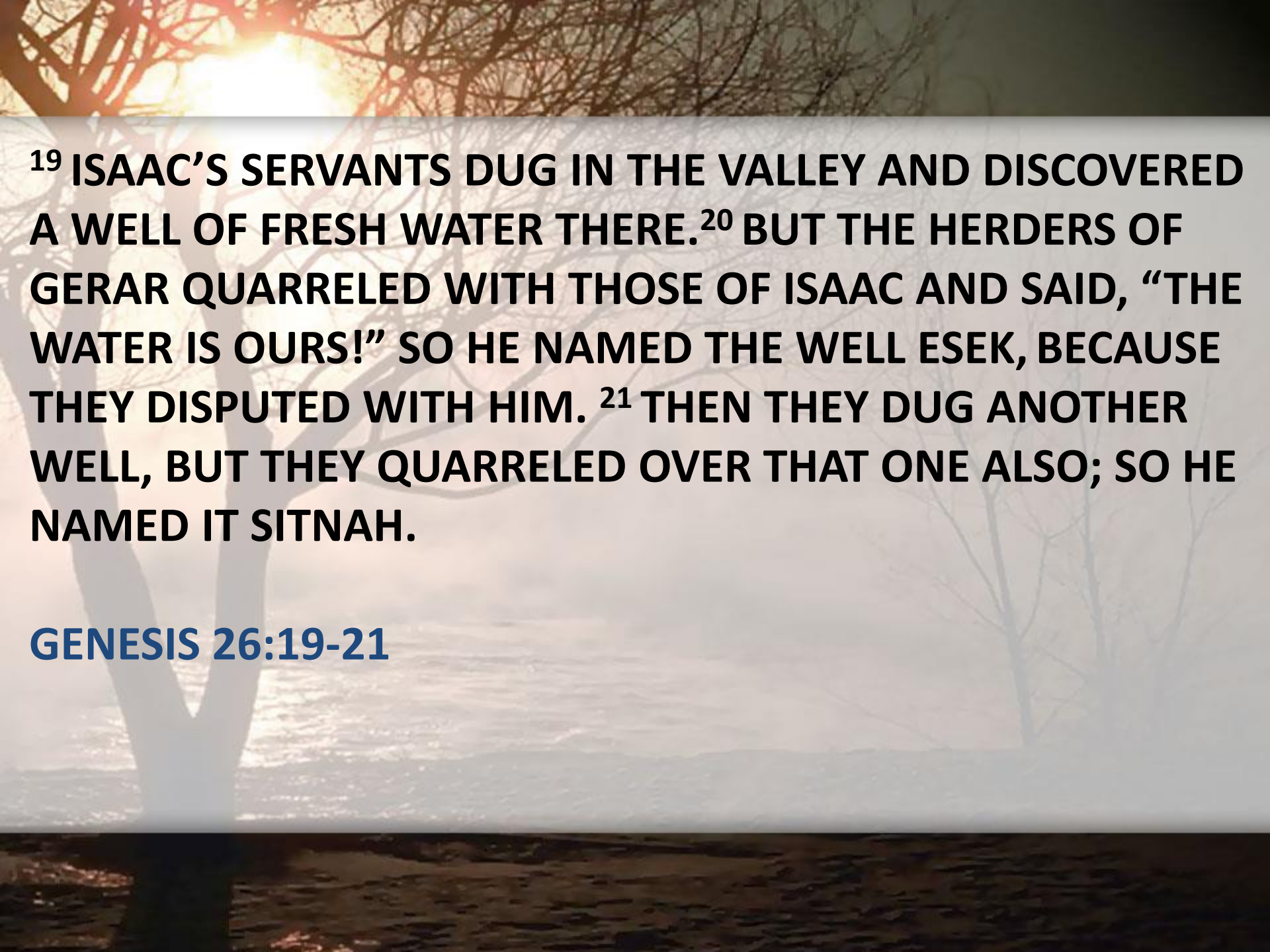
THEN THEY WENT FROM THE WILDERNESS TO MATTANAH, ¹⁹ FROM MATTANAH TO NAHALIEL, FROM NAHALIEL TO BAMOTH, ²⁰ AND FROM BAMOTH TO THE VALLEY IN MOAB WHERE THE TOP OF PISGAH OVERLOOKS THE WASTELAND.

NUMBERS 21:16-20




³⁷ ON THE LAST AND GREATEST DAY OF THE FESTIVAL, JESUS STOOD AND SAID IN A LOUD VOICE, “LET ANYONE WHO IS THIRSTY COME TO ME AND DRINK. ³⁸ WHOEVER BELIEVES IN ME, AS SCRIPTURE HAS SAID, *RIVERS OF LIVING WATER WILL FLOW FROM WITHIN THEM.*” ³⁹ BY THIS HE MEANT THE SPIRIT, WHOM THOSE WHO BELIEVED IN HIM WERE LATER TO RECEIVE

JOHN 7:37-39



¹⁹ ISAAC'S SERVANTS DUG IN THE VALLEY AND DISCOVERED A WELL OF FRESH WATER THERE.²⁰ BUT THE HERDERS OF GERAR QUARRELED WITH THOSE OF ISAAC AND SAID, "THE WATER IS OURS!" SO HE NAMED THE WELL ESEK, BECAUSE THEY DISPUTED WITH HIM. ²¹ THEN THEY DUG ANOTHER WELL, BUT THEY QUARRELED OVER THAT ONE ALSO; SO HE NAMED IT SITNAH.

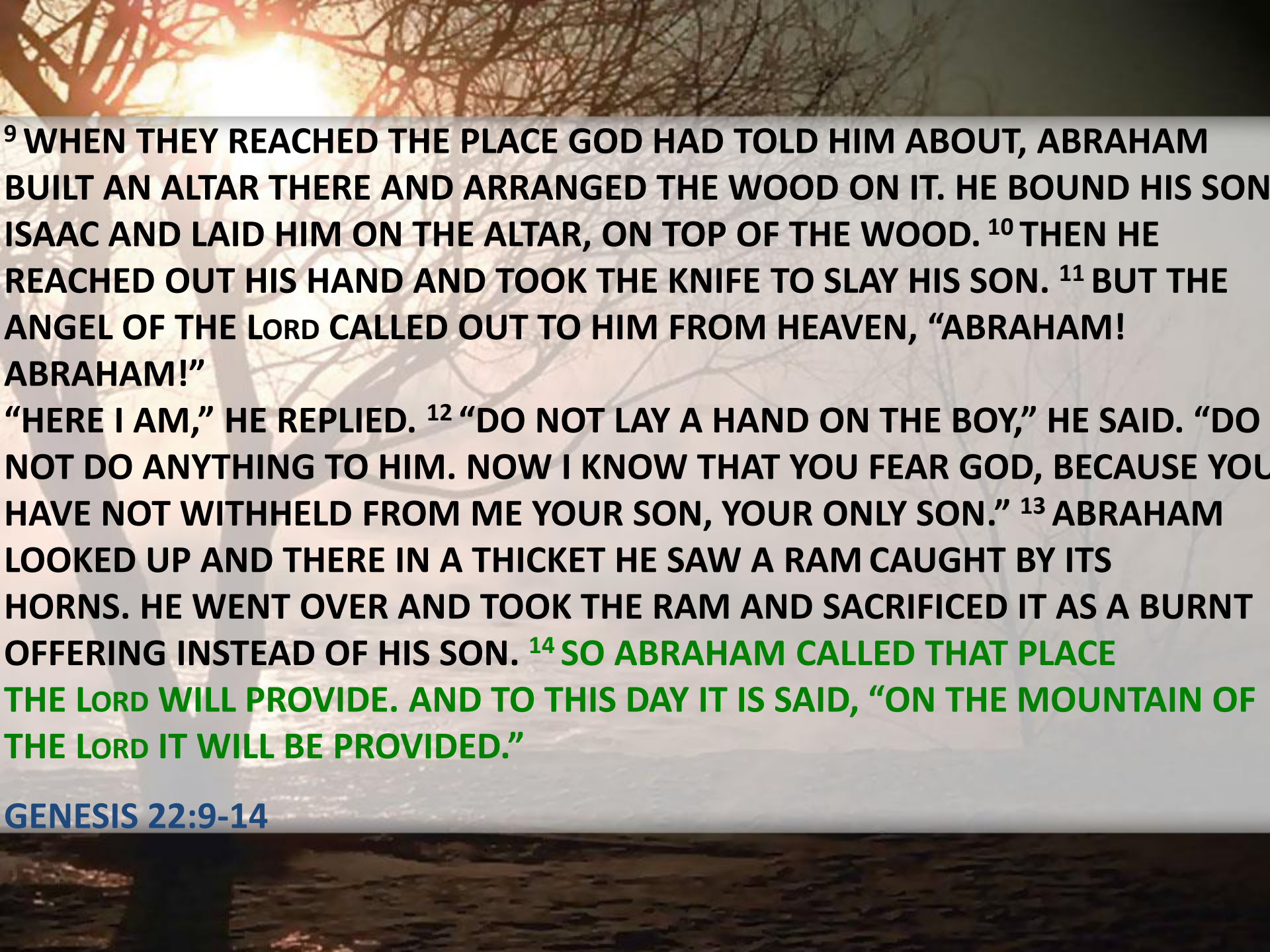
GENESIS 26:19-21



2. Resolve in our hearts that God will provide

**¹⁹ Isaac's servants dug in the valley and
discovered a well of fresh water there.**

Genesis 26:19



⁹ WHEN THEY REACHED THE PLACE GOD HAD TOLD HIM ABOUT, ABRAHAM BUILT AN ALTAR THERE AND ARRANGED THE WOOD ON IT. HE BOUND HIS SON ISAAC AND LAID HIM ON THE ALTAR, ON TOP OF THE WOOD. ¹⁰ THEN HE REACHED OUT HIS HAND AND TOOK THE KNIFE TO SLAY HIS SON. ¹¹ BUT THE ANGEL OF THE LORD CALLED OUT TO HIM FROM HEAVEN, “ABRAHAM! ABRAHAM!”

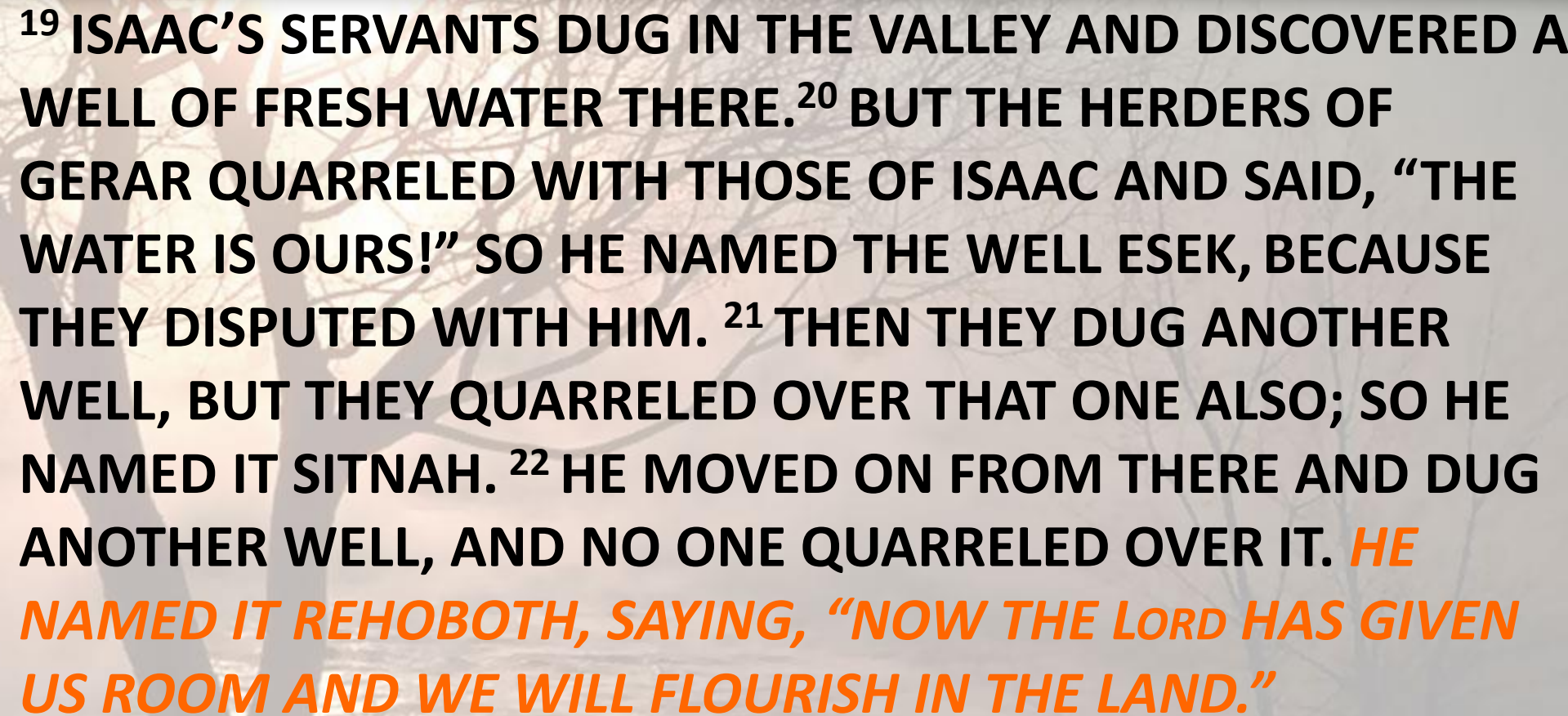
“HERE I AM,” HE REPLIED. ¹² “DO NOT LAY A HAND ON THE BOY,” HE SAID. “DO NOT DO ANYTHING TO HIM. NOW I KNOW THAT YOU FEAR GOD, BECAUSE YOU HAVE NOT WITHHELD FROM ME YOUR SON, YOUR ONLY SON.” ¹³ ABRAHAM LOOKED UP AND THERE IN A THICKET HE SAW A RAM CAUGHT BY ITS HORNS. HE WENT OVER AND TOOK THE RAM AND SACRIFICED IT AS A BURNT OFFERING INSTEAD OF HIS SON. ¹⁴ SO ABRAHAM CALLED THAT PLACE THE LORD WILL PROVIDE. AND TO THIS DAY IT IS SAID, “ON THE MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD IT WILL BE PROVIDED.”

GENESIS 22:9-14

3. Reconnect us to our Rehoboth

²² He moved on from there and dug another well, and no one quarreled over it. *He named it Rehoboth*, saying, “Now the LORD has given us room and we will flourish in the land.”

Genesis 26:22



19 ISAAC'S SERVANTS DUG IN THE VALLEY AND DISCOVERED A WELL OF FRESH WATER THERE.²⁰ BUT THE HERDERS OF GERAR QUARRELED WITH THOSE OF ISAAC AND SAID, "THE WATER IS OURS!" SO HE NAMED THE WELL ESEK, BECAUSE THEY DISPUTED WITH HIM.²¹ THEN THEY DUG ANOTHER WELL, BUT THEY QUARRELED OVER THAT ONE ALSO; SO HE NAMED IT SITNAH.²² HE MOVED ON FROM THERE AND DUG ANOTHER WELL, AND NO ONE QUARRELED OVER IT. *HE NAMED IT REHOBOTH, SAYING, "NOW THE LORD HAS GIVEN US ROOM AND WE WILL FLOURISH IN THE LAND."*

GENESIS 26:19 – 22