



Faith Is Tested

Abraham: A Daring Faith - Part 8
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Big Idea: Your faith in God will be tested and your faithfulness to God will be rewarded.

Text: Genesis 22:1-19

Some time later God tested Abraham. – Genesis 22:1a

He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about." – Genesis 22:1b-2

Early the next morning Abraham got up and saddled his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. – Genesis 22:3a

When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. – Genesis 22:3b

On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you." – Genesis 22:4-5

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac; and he who had received the promises was offering up his only begotten *son*; *it was he* to whom it was said, "IN ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS SHALL BE CALLED." He considered that God is able to raise *men* even from the dead; from which he also received him back as a type. –Hebrews 11:17-19 {NASV}

Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. – Genesis 22:6a

As the two of them went on together, Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?" "Yes, my son?" Abraham replied. "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" – Genesis 22:6b-7

Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together. – Genesis 22:8

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.
– Genesis 22:9

Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. – Genesis 22:10

But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!" – Genesis 22:11a

"Here I am," he replied. "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." Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. – Genesis 22:11b-13a

He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. 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 22:13b-14

The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore." – Genesis 22:15-17a

I. Your faith in God _____.

II. Your faithfulness to God _____.

MEMORY VERSE

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Genesis 22:14