

GENESIS

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Message Reflections

April 30, 2023

“The Lord will provide”

-Abraham in Genesis 22:14

Read: Genesis 22:1-19 and Hebrews 11:17-19

Throughout Abraham's life we see God testing him again and again to prove what is really in him. It's as if God is saying, “Abraham, do you really believe me? Do you really trust me? Are you really ready to follow me anywhere?”

Here in Genesis 22, we see Abraham go through another test, and this one is by far the most difficult he's ever faced. Consider what may have gone through the mind of Abraham after receiving the command from God to sacrifice Isaac. How might he have wrestled with God in prayer after receiving this command?

Like Abraham, God tests your faith as well...Do you really believe God? Do you really trust Him? Are you really ready to follow Him anywhere?

- Think of a sacrifice you have had to make in your life – time, effort, money – in the end was the sacrifice worth it? What did you gain?
- What would it take for you to be able to say “God you are enough. Even if all else fades away, if I have you, then I have enough.”? Is your faith in God Himself that strong?
- What would be very difficult for you to give up –something that if you were asked to sacrifice, you're not sure you could?

How is God asking you to respond today? Is there a promise to believe, a sin to be confessed, or a command to be obeyed? Take some time to reflect on whatever it is that God, through His Spirit, is laying on your heart.