

# Abraham & Issac!

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**Hebrews 11:17**, *By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had embraced the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, 18 even though God had said to him, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned." 19 Abraham reasoned that God could even raise the dead, and so in a manner of speaking he did receive Isaac back from death.*

**John 8:56**, *Your father Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing my day; he saw it and was glad."*

*Genesis 22:1, ...God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. 2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."*

**James 1:2**, *Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, 3 because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.*

## How Do You Need to Respond When Your Faith Is Tested?

### 1. Start Moving in the RIGHT DIRECTION

**Genesis 22:3**, *Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey... he set out for the place God had told him about. 4 On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance.*

### 2. Make Worship a Priority in YOUR LIFE

**Genesis 22:5**, *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."*

### 3. Trust God When Things Don't Make SENSE

**Genesis 22:7**, *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?" 8*

*Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb..."*

#### **4. Don't Pull Up Short of God's BEST**

**Genesis 22:9**, *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.*

#### **5. Expect God to PROVIDE**

**Genesis 22:11**, *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... 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.*

#### **6. Believe God will Bless Others Through Your OBEDIENCE**

**Genesis 22:15**, *The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time... 17 I will surely bless you ... 18 and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."*

#### **Lord's Supper-Communion:**

**1 Corinthians 11:23**, *For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*