

*“And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.” (Matthew 1:21)*

*“The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” (John 1:29)*

*“For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.” (2 Corinthians 5:21)*

#### 4. A POWERFUL \_\_\_\_\_

##### A. A Diligent \_\_\_\_\_

*“And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.” (Genesis 22:9)*

##### B. A Dramatic \_\_\_\_\_

*“And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. 11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. 12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.” (Genesis 22:10-12)*

##### C. A Designed \_\_\_\_\_

*“And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. 14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.” (Genesis 22:13-14)*

*“But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, 5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.” (Galatians 4:4-5)*

#### CONCLUSION

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- This account gave the Old Testament saints hope of a coming Messiah—a Lamb—that would die for them.
- Don’t skip test day! The test you take this week may teach others for years to come about your Savior!

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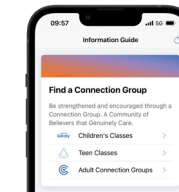
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# AN ULTIMATE TEST OF FAITH

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## Text: Genesis 22:1-2

*“And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. 2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.” (Genesis 22:1-2)*

## INTRODUCTION

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- As the Master Teacher—God often gives the test prior to the lecture.
- Abraham is one of the great Old Testament examples of faith.

*“What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found? 2 For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God. 3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.” (Romans 4:1-3)*

## 1. A PARAMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_

### A. An \_\_\_\_\_ Demand

- Isaac is the promised seed through which God would build a nation.

*“And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.” (Genesis 17:2)*

*“As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.” (Genesis 17:4)*

*“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. 9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.” (Isaiah 55:8-9)*

### B. An \_\_\_\_\_ Detail

- God doesn't tell us everything that is going to be on the test.

*“The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.” (Deuteronomy 29:29)*

*“It is the glory of God to conceal a thing;” (Proverbs 25:2a)*

## 2. A PREEMINENT \_\_\_\_\_

### A. An Unwavering \_\_\_\_\_

*“And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.” (Genesis 22:3)*

*“If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.” (John 13:17)*

### B. An Undaunted \_\_\_\_\_

*“Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. 5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you, 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.” (Genesis 22:4-6)*

*“By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, 18 Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: 19 Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.” (Hebrews 11:17-19)*

## 3. A PICTURESQUE \_\_\_\_\_

### A. A Deficient \_\_\_\_\_

*“And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” (Genesis 22:7)*

- Man at his best knows he does not have a sufficient sacrifice to offer for his sins.

*“But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.” (Isaiah 64:6)*

*“Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;” (Titus 3:5)*

### B. A Divine \_\_\_\_\_

*“And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.” (Genesis 22:8)*