



Walking With a Legend

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**Genesis 22:1-19** (*on reverse side*)

## **Act I. Abraham and Isaac** (*a foreshadow*)

Scene One: A test of Abraham

Scene Two: Abraham listened

Scene Three: Abraham believed and obeyed

<sup>17</sup>In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

<sup>20</sup>You foolish man, do you want evidence that faith without deeds is useless?

<sup>21</sup>Was not our ancestor Abraham considered righteous for what he did when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? <sup>22</sup>You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did. <sup>23</sup>And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called God's friend. <sup>24</sup>You see that a person is justified by what he does and not by faith alone. – *James 2:17, 20-24*

Scene Four: God provided

## **Act II. God the Father and Jesus**

Scene One: Jesus listened to his Father

Scene Two: Jesus obeyed his Father's commands (*John 15:10*)

Scene Three: God's ultimate provision... His one and only son  
(*John 3:16 & Genesis 22:2*)

## **Act III. God the Father and Me**

Scene One: What is your test?

Scene Two: Are you listening?

Scene Three: How are you being obedient?

Scene Four: Do you believe God will provide?

### **Final Thought**

The gateway to knowing and walking with God is faith and obedience.  
(*see John 14:23*)

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## Genesis 22:1-19

<sup>1</sup>Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

<sup>2</sup>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."

<sup>3</sup>Early the next morning Abraham got up and saddled his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. <sup>5</sup>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."

<sup>6</sup>Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, <sup>7</sup>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?"

<sup>8</sup>Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

<sup>12</sup>"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."

<sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>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."

<sup>15</sup>The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time <sup>16</sup>and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup>I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, <sup>18</sup>and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

<sup>19</sup>Then Abraham returned to his servants, and they set off together for Beersheba. And Abraham stayed in Beersheba.

### Small Group Discussion Questions



1. Do you know anyone who has demonstrated legendary faith?
2. How do you listen to God?
3. Do you think God has tested you (or is testing you) in any way?
4. How did you demonstrate obedience to God in that test?
5. How did God provide in that test?
6. How can we pray for you tonight?