

Roots
WBS Kids' Lesson #14
Genesis 21-22

Hook: Boys and girls, think back to last week's lesson. Raise your hand if you remember what the Lord said was going to happen to Sarah (*she would give birth to a son*). Now, who remembers what the Lord told her to name him?

Book: Sure enough, Isaac was born and Sarah and Abraham loved their son very much. But one day, the Lord tested Abraham to see if he loved God above all else. He told Abraham to take Isaac, who was by now a teenager, and sacrifice him on a mountain called Moriah! This was a terrible thing to have to do, but Abraham trusted God so he obeyed and took Isaac up to the mountain. When they reached the right spot, Abraham built an altar and laid Isaac upon it. He was about to kill his son when the Angel of the Lord called out, **“Do not lay a hand on the boy, he said. Do not harm him. Now I know that you would do anything for God. You have not held back from me your son, your only son’.”** God then provided a ram caught in the thorns for Abraham to sacrifice instead of his son.

Look: Abraham obeyed God and trusted Him to somehow provide. As they walked up the mountain, Isaac had asked his father where the lamb was for the offering and Abraham replied, “God Himself will provide” and God did. Abraham was willing to obey God fully, but he also knew that God would somehow provide for him. God wants us to obey Him, too. We, too, can trust that God will provide for us.

Took: Back in Abraham's day, an important way to worship and honor God was to sacrifice animals on an altar. That's hard for us to understand today, but God still wants us to worship and honor Him by making sacrifices—just not with animals! He wants us to obey Him and trust Him, even if we don't feel like it or it's hard. He wants us to worship and love Him! One way we can do that is by obeying our parents. Today, when Mom or Dad tell you to do something, do it right away. Obeying them is one way to honor God. And you can also be sure that God will bless and provide for you as you obey Him.

Bible Verse: “Abraham answered, ‘God himself will provide’...” Genesis 22:8a

Prayer: “Dear Lord, When You ask us to do difficult things, help us to trust and obey You like Abraham, knowing that You love us and will provide all that we need. In Jesus' name, Amen.”

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what we learned

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memory verse

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Genesis 22:8a NIRV



parent/child activity

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daily prayer

“Dear Lord, When You ask us to do difficult things, help us to trust and obey You like Abraham, knowing that You love us and will provide all that we need. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”