Abraham and Isaac

Genesis 22:1-19

1. God is a personal God! 1-2
   1. Called Abraham by name (Abraham was a friend of God) (Knew Him on personal and intimate level)
   2. He calls each of us by names. We are not just specs to God. He is personal
   3. He knows each and every one of us intimately.
2. Abraham Answers God’s Call. 3-5
   1. Abraham was obedient. He did not want to sacrifice Isaac but believed in the promise of God to make him the father of many nations.
   2. Abraham actually went through with what God called him to do at the time.
   3. Abraham was in constant Hecommunication with God.
3. Isaac carried his own alter. 6-10
   1. Representation of Christ on the Cross
   2. Carried a pile of wood up a hill/mountain for a sacrifice
   3. Listened to His father and laid down on the altar for Abraham. Like Christ laid down His life for each of us.
4. God offers a substitute. 11-14
   1. God stopped Abraham at the perfect moment to offer a substitute sacrifice
   2. God was testing Abraham’s obedience
   3. God knew all along that Abraham was His friend, and knew the outcome. This was a test for Isaac as well. It showed Isaac that God was to be trusted no matter what He asked of Him.
5. God blesses Abraham. 15-19
   1. God reiterates His promise to Abraham
   2. God blesses Isaac as well. As being the father of Jacob who is the father of the 12 tribes of Israel
   3. Eventually all of humanity would be blessed because of God’s promise to Abraham. Through Abraham, Jesus would be the perfect sacrifice for all men.

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