

# Genesis

God's World. God's Story.



## Up the Mountain of Sacrifice

Genesis 22

**Big Idea:** Our God provides on the mountain of sacrifice.

Outline:

1. **Asking Abraham for the Ultimate Sacrifice**  
(The Practical Faith-Testing Significance)
  - a. A Difficult Faith-Test from God
  - b. Difficult Questions about God's Testing
  - c. God Provides His Faithfulness on the Mountain to Resolve the Faith-Test
  - d. The Outcome of Our Faith-Testing
2. **God Providing the Ultimate Sacrifice**  
(The Prophetic Salvation Significance)
  - a. A Clear Gospel Connection with God's Own Son and Only Lamb
  - b. God Provides Himself on the Mountain as a Sacrifice for Sinners

## Discussion Questions:

1. How would you feel if you were in Abraham's shoes in verse 2?
2. Will God command us today to make the same sacrifice as Abraham? How might God test our faith today?
3. Skeptics (and perhaps even believers) may be disturbed by the nature of what God commands from Abraham. How should we understand God's command in this passage and answer the challenges of skeptics?
4. God provides a ram to resolve Abraham's particular faith test (Gen. 22:13). How have you seen God provide in your tests and trials?
5. What is the outcome of the test for Abraham? And what is the outcome when our faith is tested (see 1 Peter 1:6-7, James 1:2-4, 12)?
6. What similarities do you see between this story and the gospel of Jesus?
7. What does this story teach us about the love of God?
8. What does this story teach us about God as the divine Author of all of Scripture?