

## LESSON 29

# The Testing of Abraham

*Genesis 22:1-19*

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### WELCOME

A Time for **Assembly**

*Introduction* to gather together through an ice breaker (10 minutes)

To start: Share briefly an instance when your parents had to withhold something from you.

### WORSHIP

A Time for **Adoration**

*Inspiration* to worship God through invocation, thanksgiving, and reading of Scripture (25 minutes)

Suggested Songs:

*I Give You My Heart*, by Reuben Morgan (page 55)

*Everlasting God*, by Brenton Brown and Ken Riley (page 52)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 22:1-19

### WORD

A Time for **Admonition**

*Instruction* to communicate one's investigation of the story (content), interpretation based on the setting (context), and integration of the two for the spiritual truth (concept) (50 minutes)

1. How could Abraham have gone ahead in sacrificing Isaac and still trust God to fulfill his covenant (22:1-5)? Read Hebrews 11:17-19.
2. Did God tempt Abraham to commit something that violated His own command? Read Leviticus 18:21, Deuteronomy 12:31, and James 2:20-22. What did Abraham affirm by his willingness to sacrifice his son?
3. How did Abraham and Isaac illustrate the relationship between God the Father and God the Son? According to Jesus, what did Abraham see? Read John 8:56-58.
4. It is only here that the Bible recorded God swearing by His own name (22:16-18). What did God affirm? Read Hebrews 6:13-14.

5. Why would we sacrifice our own plans and desires for God's own plans and desires?

## WALK

### A Time for **Accountability**

*Invitation* to apply the implication of the Scripture (connect), implementation of a specific action (conduct), and intercession for the saints/seekers (concern) (about 35 minutes)

1. What is the hardest test of faith that you have ever been through? How has God been teaching you that you can trust him?
2. What is one thing that God wants you to surrender to him right now?
3. How is God proving himself to you as the God who provides?
4. How can the group pray for you? Share now your personal needs or concerns with your accountability and prayer partners. These may include attitudes that need to be changed and/or specific actions to be done in obedience to God's Word. As you intercede for each other, pray also for others outside the group who need to know Jesus.