

Surrendering the Promise.

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Genesis 22

¹ Some time later, God tested Abraham's faith.

"Abraham!" God called. "YES" he replied. "Here I am."

Q: *Have you told God "YES"?*

***Surrender is telling God YES . . .
BEFORE you know any of the details.***

I'll go ANYWHERE you send me.

Genesis 22

² "Take your son, your only son - yes, Isaac, whom you love so much - and **GO to the land of Moriah.**

Go and sacrifice him as a burnt offering on one of the mountains, which *I will show you.*"

³ The next morning Abraham got up early. He saddled his donkey and took two of his servants with him, along with his son, Isaac. Then he chopped wood for a fire for a burnt offering and set out for the place God had told him about.

⁴ On the third day of their journey, Abraham looked up and saw the place *in the distance.* ⁵ Abraham told the servants.

"Stay here with the donkey.

The boy and I will travel a little farther.

WE will worship there and then

WE will come right back."

Q: **Where has God called you to GO?**

Q: **Are you "Going the Distance" or
"Stopping short of the Promise"?**

I'll do ANYTHING you tell me.

Genesis 22

⁶ So Abraham placed the wood for the burnt offering on Isaac's shoulders, while he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them walked together,

⁷ Isaac turned to Abraham and said, "Father?" "Yes, my son" Abraham replied. "We have the fire and the wood" the boy said, "*but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?*"

⁸ Abraham answered.

***"God will provide himself a lamb
for the burnt offering my son,"***

And they both walked on together.

⁹ When they had arrived at the place where God told them to go, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood on it. Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. ¹⁰ And Abraham picked up the knife to kill his son as a sacrifice.

Q: What was God teaching Abraham?

***Surrender is doing what God SAYS . . .
even if you don't SEE what God's doing.***

¹¹ At that moment the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, "*Abraham! Abraham!*"

"Yes." Abraham replied. "*Here I am!*"

¹² "*Don't lay a hand on the boy!*" the angel said. "*Do not hurt him in any way, for now I know that you truly fear God. You have not withheld from me even your son, your only son.*"

Q: Are you holding out on God?

¹³ Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son. Abraham named the place *YAWEH-YIREH* which means "*the LORD will provide.*"

***Surrender says "Take it ALL"
to the God who "Gave it ALL."***

I'll give you EVERYTHING you gave me.

Genesis 22

¹⁵ Then the angel of the LORD called again to Abraham from heaven. ¹⁶ "This is what the LORD says: *Because you have obeyed me and have not withheld your son, your only son, I swear by my own name that . . .*

¹⁷ "I will certainly bless you. I will multiply your descendants beyond number, like the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will conquer the cities of their enemies. ¹⁸ And through your descendants all the nations of the earth will be blessed - all because you have obeyed me."

Q: Have you told God "YES"?

Surrender is "Leaving YES on the Table."

Prayer of Surrender.

"Lord - my answer is YES. I'll go anywhere you send me, do anything you tell me, and give you everything you've given me. Use me today to bless those around me with the promise you've put in me. Use my words, my actions, and my faith to leave a Legacy to those behind me."