Vs. 9-14 – God's Presence and Provision Come to Us in Testing

- 1. What do you learn about God's character from the way He provided for Abraham?
- 2. Why is it hard to trust God's timing and methods when we're in the middle of a test?
- 3. What does the phrase "The Lord will provide" mean to you personally?
- 4. Have you ever experienced God's provision in a way you didn't expect? Share what happened.

Sermon Discussion

Points for



Calvary Chapel Groups Sunday, July13, 2025



First

Read Genesis 22:1-14

After waiting 25 years for God's promise to give Abraham and Sarah their son Isaac, God tested Abraham to see if he would be faithful and obedient. Just like Abraham, we face things that test our faith. God uses these tests to grow and mature us in Him.

Vs. 1-2 – Testing Strengthens Us

- 1. Why do you think God tested Abraham in such a dramatic way?
- 2. Have you ever gone through a test in your faith that later made you stronger? What did you learn from it?
- 3. How does James 1:2–4 help us think differently about the trials we face?
- 4. In the middle of a test, how can we shift our prayers from "God, get me out of this" to "God, help me honor You through this"?

Vs. 3-5 – Testing Reveals Our Character

1. What stands out to you about Abraham's immediate obedience?

- 2. How do you usually respond to testing—emotionally or spiritually?
- 3. Can you think of a time when a trial revealed both areas where you have grown and areas where you still need to mature? How did you respond?
- 4. What does Abraham's 3-day journey tell us about perseverance and trust?

Vs. 6-8 – Godly People Approach Tests in Obedience and Faith

- 1. What do you think enabled Abraham to obey God without knowing how it would all turn out?
- 2. How does Hebrews 11:17–19 help us understand Abraham's faith more fully?
- 3. In your own words, what does it look like to "pray without ceasing" during a trial?
- 4. How can fear and anxiety cloud our obedience? How do we push through that?

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