



## Lesson #5: Jehovah-Jireh

Every blessing that comes from God is sent with the same message, “And \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.” The character we read about in **Genesis 22** (Abraham) had anticipated this truth for many years. He had experienced God’s fulfilled promise of giving him a son when he was \_\_\_ years old! This was cause for much celebration. The “more to follow” had finally arrived! But then Genesis 22 happened. The unthinkable happened. God tested Abraham and said, “Take now thy son Isaac ... and offer him for a burnt offering” (22:2). Abraham is being asked to sacrifice his son, slay him and burn the body completely as a literally burnt offering. But as we peak into the mind of Abraham we discover that he had a full assurance that God was in control. Abraham was ready to slay his son but then God stopped his hand and \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_. Indeed, the name Abraham gave this place says it all: Jehovah-Jiera, The LORD will \_\_\_\_\_.

I believe that the truth contained in the expression “Jehovah-Jireh” was ruling Abraham’s thought long before he uttered it and appointed it to be the memorial name of this place. As we study Genes 22 we come to discover the kind of person that Jehovah-Jireh provides for.

### JEHOVAH-JIREH PROVIDES FOR THE \_\_\_\_\_

As we outline Genesis 22 we observe a man doing exactly what God commands.

#### A. Obedience comes without \_\_\_\_\_

Abraham wasted no time, but got himself up and gathered everything he would need to what God commanded (22:3). Abraham recognized that God’s commands took precedent over his \_\_\_\_\_ bonds. There is always an urgency in God’s commands. The moment He calls is the moment you should \_\_\_\_\_ (John 9:4; Psalm 119:60). Procrastination has caused the death of many profound spiritual opportunities. We miss them because we hesitate.

#### B. Obedience comes without \_\_\_\_\_

This matter of obedience was germane to Isaac as well. Isaac was about \_\_\_ years old when this story was taking place. Surely both men (Abraham and Isaac) questioned what they were going to do next but I find it interesting in verse 8 that “they \_\_\_\_\_ of them together ... came to the place which God had told them.” They BOTH willingly followed the commands of God without offering an excuse.

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#### A. Faith trusts in God’s \_\_\_\_\_

Abraham had been on a journey of faith during which God had reiterated His \_\_\_\_\_ to him (Genesis 12:2; 14:4-5; 17:1-2; 18:14; 21:1-2). Again and again and again God told Abraham he would have a \_\_\_\_\_ and finally that’s exactly what happened. But then “it came to pass after these things” (Genesis 22:1). God would test Abraham now. Would Abraham still have faith in God’s promises even when things didn’t make sense?

#### B. Faith trusts in God’s amazing \_\_\_\_\_

What was Abraham thinking as he prepared to offer Isaac as a sacrifice. Hebrews 11:17-19 gives us the answer. He trusted his God! He knew if God would have Isaac sacrificed He would also have him \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ because God had made a promise and God was going to fulfill his promise.

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#### A. Those who are fully surrendered remain \_\_\_\_\_ committed

I don’t believe that Abraham was just going through the motions here. He personally took the fire and the knife and he personally led the way. For Abraham, this was an event of personal \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. He believed in God so fervently that he was willing to be obedient regardless of what God asked him to do.

#### B. Those who are fully surrendered return proper \_\_\_\_\_ back to God

God prevented Abraham from harming his son and preserved Isaac from death (Genesis 22:9-12). Here was finally read the climax of the story. Not in verse 13 (when Abraham saw the ram) but in verse 14 (when Abraham designated this moment as a time of worship). Only those who remain \_\_\_\_\_ to God can truly see his \_\_\_\_\_ in the midst of trial. All the way back when Isaac was asking, “Where is the lamb? Abraham was already saying, “God will \_\_\_\_\_.”

### Concluding Thoughts

From the vantage point of Mt. Moriah we see the great cost of our \_\_\_\_\_.

*This Abraham followed God’s command,  
But God would say, “Forbear,  
See there the ram, now stop your hand;  
Behold provision there.”*

*Now on that mount we see a light  
A picture’s painted there,  
For God would wash our sins to white;  
Behold, our Savior cares!*

*Dear sinner hear. Don’t be dismayed,  
Nor sink in helpless fear;  
For when you least deserved his aid;  
Your Savior did appear*