

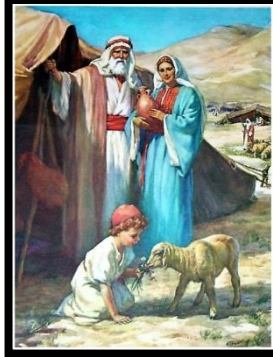


# FAITHFUL LIGHT CHURCH

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## CALLED & CHOSEN 5 TESTING OF FAITH (Isaac is Born)

*Genesis 21:1 – Genesis 22:18*



### **SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

1<sup>st</sup> Reader Repeat 2X with Congregation

#### **1 Corinthians 10:13**

*"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man:  
but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted  
above that ye are able; but will with the temptation  
also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."*

### **GOD'S PURPOSE FOR ME**

WHEN I GO THROUGH TIMES OF FIERY TEST  
I WILL BE STILL & TRUST JESUS TO GIVE ME REST

**INTRODUCTION:** At every turn since leaving Ur of the Chaldea's, Abraham faced many tests. Abraham failed some of those tests just as we often do, yet God still chose him to prepare his people to be a holy nation through whom the Savior would come to be born. In our Bible lesson today, Abraham is facing the ultimate test of his faith this far. God gives Abraham and Sarah a son of their own to love, with many promises dependent upon their son growing to adulthood, but God will test Abraham to see if the gift he was given is more dear to his heart than His love for God.

#### **ORDER OF SERVICE:**

1. Light Candles & Pray
2. Children's Songs & Story
3. Intro Gospel Craft/Coloring
4. Dismiss Kids to Noah's Ark with 'Animals Go Marching Song'
5. Adult Fellowship Break
6. Worship Song Set
7. Bible Lesson & Group Prayer
8. Blessing Songs & Benediction

**OBJECTS TO BRING:** Craft Supplies

## **2. HAPPINESS IS SPOILED WHEN WE CHOOSE TO SIN.**

**Genesis 21:1-3** “*And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken. <sup>2</sup> For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him. <sup>3</sup> And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.*”

Abraham and Sarah laughed with joy when their son was born, and they named him Isaac, because Isaac means laughter.

**Genesis 21:4-9** “*And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him. <sup>5</sup> And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him. <sup>6</sup> And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me... for I have born him a son in his old age. <sup>8</sup> And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the same day that Isaac was weaned.*”

Unbelief is sin. When Abraham and Sarah did not believe God, they invited Satan in to bring chaos. Ishmael was 13 when the favored son was born and his mother Hagar was hated by Sarah, so of course he would be resentful of Isaac. When we refuse to praise God and doubt God’s promises, the devil will come in to destroy.

**Genesis 21:9-11** “*And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking. <sup>10</sup> Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac. <sup>11</sup> And the thing was very grievous in Abraham’s sight because of his son.*”

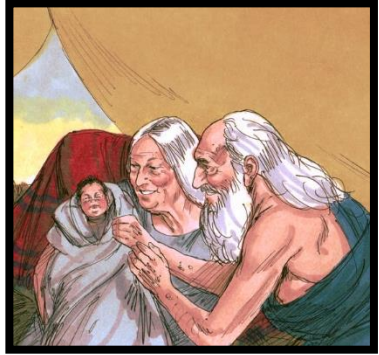


What can we do when unbelief has let Satan and murmuring come in to take over our happiness? Stop murmuring and praise Jesus!

**John 10:10** “*The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*”

### **3. GOD IS NOT SURPRISED WHEN WE TAKE A DETOUR, HE KNEW IT ALL ALONG AND HE STILL HAS A PLAN.**

God's promise and plan of redemption did not change because the vessels of His promise sinned. God is not surprised when we put His plans for us on hold because we sin, or another has sinned against us. When we return to God and sanctify ourselves by His Spirit, He is still faithful to complete His good work in us and give us peace.



**1 Peter 1:2** *“Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.”*

**Philippians 1:6** *“Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.”*

God knew before creation what Abraham and Sarah would do but He still kept His promise. God knows our path because we are the seed of Abraham by faith and elect for salvation. As you walk with Jesus, He is faithful to cleanse you from all unrighteousness and complete His good work in you. God saw the injustice that was done to Hagar and Ishmael, though it did not seem so at first.

**Genesis 21:12-13** *“And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for **in Isaac shall thy seed be called.** <sup>13</sup> And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he is thy seed.”*

Before creation, God also had a plan that Ishmael would become the father of 12 nations, but His covenant promise would be with Isaac, the son of promise, just as God had planned and promised.

#### **4. GOD MAKES A WAY WHEN THERE IS NO WAY.**



There are not many wrongs that top the cruelty done to this poor handmaid who had done nothing wrong. Hagar was thrown out into the brutal desert with her son, by the man of God who had forced her to have his child, with nothing but a loaf of bread and a bottle of water! Hagar had given up when the Lord came to comfort her.

**Genesis 21:14-16** *“And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. <sup>15</sup> And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs. <sup>16</sup> And she went, and sat her down over against him a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against him, and lift up her voice, and wept.”*

Jesus wants you to believe in Him so that even when you grieve, that deep in the faith of your heart, you will not be troubled.

**John 14:1-3** *“**Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.** <sup>2</sup> In my Father’s house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.”*

Whatever the tragedy or sorrow we are called to bear, Jesus promises to give us rest in Him now, and promises one beautiful day, there will be no more tears and no more sorrow.

**Revelation 21:4** *“And **God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;** and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.”*



## **5. JESUS IS THE GOD WHO HEARS AND SEES.**



When Hagar gave up hope, God heard her cry and sent an angel to tell her everything would be alright. In our deepest despair we can trust God that He hears us, and when His will is accomplished in our suffering, He will direct our next step.

**Proverbs 3:5-6** *“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. <sup>6</sup> In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.”*

Hagar believed in God and He was faithful to take care of Hagar and Ishmael, and gave her great hope for Ishmael’s future.

**Genesis 21:17-19** *“And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is. <sup>18</sup> Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation. <sup>19</sup> And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.”*

**Genesis 21:20-21** *“And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer. <sup>21</sup> And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.”*

Ishmael grew up, married a girl from Egypt, and Ishmael became the father of all the Arab nations that we know today.

**Genesis 21:22-31** As for Abraham’s sin against Abimelech, they made a covenant together at Beersheba, promising to deal fairly with one another, and Abraham called upon the name of the Lord.

**Romans 4:3** *“For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.”*

Abraham made some wrong choices just like you and I do some times, but Jesus still blessed Abraham, and Jesus still blesses you and me because we believe His word, and He calls us His own.

## **6. ABRAHAM TAUGHT ISAAC TO WORSHIP GOD BY SACRIFICING A LAMB FOR SINS.**



Before the foundation of the world, the Almighty God Himself planned to become flesh in the Lord Jesus, the perfect Lamb of God, to take the punishment for our sins by shedding His own blood on the cross so we could be holy and live forever with Him in heaven. Looking forward to the cross, men could put their hands on the head of a lamb, confess their sins, and be forgiven because of the lamb that was killed to pay the debt for their sin. Abraham taught Isaac by his example as he made regular sacrifices to God for his family, looking forward to the fullness of times when the Savior whom they worshipped, would come to save them.

**1 Peter 1:19-20** *“But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: <sup>20</sup> Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you.”*

Abraham and Sarah loved their son Isaac. Abraham loved God, and like Adam had taught his sons, Abraham taught his son Isaac how to worship God by offering the blood of a lamb as a substitute to pay the wages for his sins.



**Acts 20:28** *“Take heed therefore to yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.”*

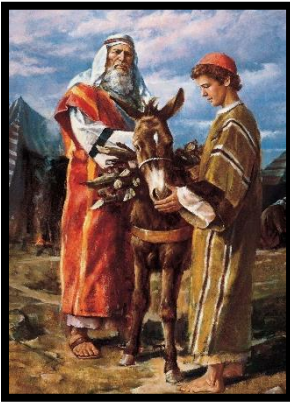
**John 8:24 & 27** *“I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins... <sup>27</sup> They understood not that he spake to them of the Father.”*  
**Isaiah 53:6** *“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.”*

Isaac knew that the Almighty God, His Savior was coming to save them, and would Himself provide the lamb for the sacrifice.

## **7. ABRAHAM WAS TESTED TO GIVE HIS ONLY SON, AS A PROPHECY OF GOD GIVING HIS OWN SON FOR SINS.**

One day, God tested Abraham by asking him to give up his only son – God commanded Him to sacrifice his only son- his son who carried all of God's promises for Abraham!

*Genesis 22:1-2 “And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. <sup>2</sup>And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.”*



How could Abraham give up the son he had waited until he was 100 years old to see? What would he tell Sarah?

*Genesis 22:3-4 “And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. <sup>4</sup>Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.”*

- Do you remember how hard it was for Molly to give up the First Place trophy? But it was not hers, was it.
- Abraham knew that Isaac was God’s gift to him and Sarah, so since Isaac belonged to God, Abraham trusted God with him.
- Sometimes we must go through a very hard time and be asked to give up things we may have loved more than God.
- When we understand that our life is a gift from God, then we can choose to live our life as a gift that we live for Him!

*Genesis 22:5-6 “And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you. <sup>6</sup>And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.”*

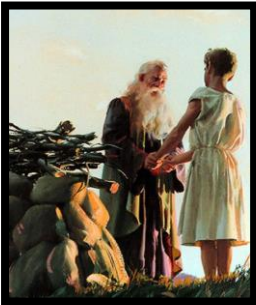
## **8. ABRAHAM AND ISAAC CHOSE TO OBEY GOD AND COMPLETELY TRUSTED IN HIM.**

*Genesis 22:7-8 “And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? <sup>8</sup> And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.”*

Isaac was so trusting as they walked up to the mountain top of Moriah when he thought about the lamb they would need for the sacrifice, and he innocently asked his dad where it was. Abraham told Isaac that God would provide a lamb and Isaac believed him. And God did provide a body for Himself, the only Savior to come, who was His only Son begotten in flesh, the Lamb of God.

*Hebrews 10:4-6 “For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. <sup>5</sup> Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: <sup>6</sup> In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure.”*

Jesus wants for us to have the same childlike trust in Him as Isaac had even as he was being bound up to become a sacrifice. We are to carry ourselves with a perfect peace as we abide in our Savior and He in us through His Spirit who dwells in us by faith.



*Hebrews 11:17-19 "By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, of whom it was said, "In Isaac your seed shall be called," concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense."*

*Isaiah 26:3 “Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.”*

Abraham had learned to have perfect peace in God, and he had taught his son Isaac to completely trust in Jesus to give him peace.



## **9. WHENEVER I AM AFRAID, I WILL BE STILL AND TRUST IN JESUS TO GIVE ME PERFECT PEACE.**

*Philippian 4:6-7* “Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”



Oh that we would have perfect peace like that at all times! The Amish have a way of training their children to obey perfectly to save them from every danger. Every child from the time he is a toddler, is taught to obediently stand perfectly still and solemn beside the wheel of the buggy so that he will not startle the horses. The very small child learns that to be still in all circumstances will protect the child’s own life in the event of an emergency, as also his obedience will protect the lives of his family. In any crisis the father can command the child to be still and the child will obediently hold perfectly still until the danger or need is over.

What a lesson for our own faith we can learn from the Amish. We must learn to be still in a crisis until it passes, trusting God simply because He is God, knowing that He will protect us through the threatening storms of life. Isaac was a child who had been taught to trust and obey perfectly until he was told he was free to move.

*Psalms 46:10* “Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.”

Through the example of both Abraham and Isaac we are taught that regardless of any danger or trouble or worry or anxiety that comes our way, to trouble us, or rob us of the joy of God’s presence, we should not allow any circumstance to change the peace that Jesus gives us, because we can be still, and know that God is God. Jesus shall be exalted among the heathen, so just be still and praise the wonderful name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

## **10. IN 30 AD MOUNT MORIAH WAS KNOWN BY ISRAEL AS THE HOLY PLACE OF GOD.**

*Psalm 24:3 “Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place?”*

*Daniel 9:26 “And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself; and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.”*

*Matthew 24:14-16 “When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) <sup>16</sup> Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains.”*

Jerusalem's importance as a site chosen by God for His purposes dates from the call of God to Abraham to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on Mount Moriah, as recorded in Genesis 22. (This important event in the life of Abraham is known to the Jews as "the Akeda" or "the binding of Isaac.") The topographic map shows that Mount Moriah is not a single peak, but an



elongated ridge which commences to rise at its Southern end at the junction of the Kidron and Hinnom Valleys, at the original City of David, (elevation approximately 600 meters). The ridge then climbs in elevation to a maximum of 777 meters just Northeast of the present Damascus Gate of the Old City. *by Lambert Dolphin*

When **the LORD Jesus was crucified upon the holy place** of Mt. Moriah, **it was the obomination that caused desolations** to come upon the house of Israel, but Jesus promised He is coming again!

## **11. GOD KEPT HIS WORD TO PROVIDE the SACRIFICE.**

God kept His word to Abraham that He would provide Himself a sacrifice, when He became flesh in His only begotten Son to shed His own blood for our sins so that when He comes again in all His glory, all those who believe on His name will rise up to meet Him!

*Hebrews 10:5 "Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me."*

When they came to the place God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and Isaac would have helped him to lay the wood in order as always, trusting that God would provide a lamb. Just trust Him.

*Genesis 22:9-10 "And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.  
<sup>10</sup> And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son."*



Then Abraham tied Isaac with rope and laid him on the wood. Would our own children, or ourselves be so trusting and obedient?

*Psalms 46:10 "Be still, and know that I am God: ..."*

*Hebrews 13:5-6 "For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we may boldly say: "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"*

Abraham was not afraid, and Isaac was not afraid because they trusted God. **Isaac lay very still**, obediently trusting that God would provide a lamb. It must have been very hard to trust God. When life is very hard and we don't understand why, we must **be very still like Isaac and know that God is always faithful.**

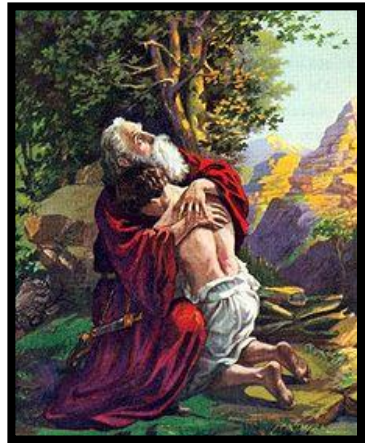
*Romans 8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose."*

## **12. THERE IS NO FEAR WHEN WE LEARN TO TRUST GOD BECAUSE WE LOVE HIM LIKE HE LOVES US.**

*1 John 4:18* “There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment.”

Suddenly obedient Abraham raised up the knife to kill Isaac! When life lands us in frightening circumstances, we can be still in our hearts and trust God like Abraham and Isaac did, knowing that **He will work all the things happening to us together for our good because we love Him.** How about the early Christians? The quiet perfect trusting love for Jesus they developed through their trials, is how they could face treacherous dangers and death each day. Abraham had tried it his own way before and failed his testing, so he was ready to trust His God now, no matter what the cost.

*Genesis 22:11-14* “And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. <sup>12</sup>And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. <sup>13</sup>And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns:

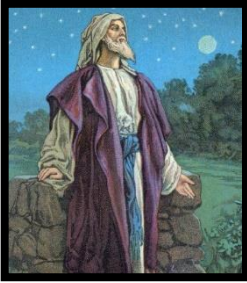


and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. <sup>14</sup>And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.”

Just at the moment Abraham had the knife raised up, the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven not to hurt Isaac. So Abraham looked up, and he saw a young male lamb caught in the bushes! He sacrificed the ram instead of Isaac and called it Yehshua-Jireh meaning, God will provide. Jesus provided a way for salvation and Jesus provides for us a way out of all our troubles!

### **13. GOD GIVES ABRAHAM AND HE GIVES US, HOPE AND VISION FOR OUR FUTURE.**

**Genesis 22:15-18** *“And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, <sup>16</sup>And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: <sup>17</sup>That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; <sup>18</sup>And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.”*



God spoke to Abraham again, and said that because he did not withhold even his only son, because he had obeyed the voice of God, the number of people in his family, through the Savior yet to be born, would number more than all the stars of heaven and more than all the sand on the sea shore! We can see in our day that people in all nations of the world are blessed and saved because of the obedience of Abraham!



**Galatians 3:29** *“And if ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”*

The Holy Bible tells us that if we have faith in Jesus, then we are the seed of Abraham and heirs of all the promises made to him that day that he obeyed God, and gave everything he had to God!

**2 Corinthians 1:20** *“For all the promises of God in Him are Yea, and in Him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.”*

**John 1:12** *“But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name.”*

## **14. GOD'S PURPOSE FOR ME REVIEW**

1. No matter what frightening test I go through in life, I can trust Jesus and learn to rest in Him.
2. Everything I have and everything I am is not my own for everything in my life was given to me by God.
3. When I love Jesus, my faith will be tested to see if I love the things He gives me more, or if He really is the Lord of my life.
4. Jesus wants me to trust Him and follow His way without question, even when I do not understand.
5. God's answer will come in difficult times if I will not be moved, but be still and know that He is God.
6. When I give my life to God and trust Him with all my heart, He faithfully provides for me.
7. When I pass the tests of faith in my life, I will see His blessing.

Faith is acting on what God says, even when it looks impossible! Because Abraham had faith in God, he got to be the father of all God's people! Our Savior, Jesus was born through the nation God began with Abraham. Jesus' mother, Mary, was of this Jewish nation, and everyone who believes in the name of Jesus is blessed!



**Acts 10:34-35** “...Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:  
<sup>35</sup>but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.”

### **Leads the congregation in praying together:**

*Our Father in Jesus Christ, when we are assaulted with trouble on every side, help us to be still like Isaac and like the Amish children, trusting you as we are still, until you tell us to move. We pray you will help us to be like Abraham to offer up everything to you in perfect love, withholding nothing, because you withhold nothing from us. Thank you Jesus, that you love us so much that you shed your own blood to save us. How can we give you any less than the gift of our life lived for you? No one can hurt us without that you are aware of it, and we know that you use all things for our good for we love you. We thank you and praise you in Jesus' name, Amen.*

## 15. LIFE PARABLE - THE WINNER OF THE RACE



Molly and Kate were best friends. They did everything together so it was amazing that they had both made it to the All Cities Track and Field finals! Molly knew that Kate would probably win, but she was very excited and happy to be in the same race. They took their positions at the starting line then, "BANG!!!" The starting gun went off and the race was on!

Molly gave all the races her very best effort and so did Kate, and their scores were very close. It was a long day and after all the races were finished it was finally time for the award ceremony.

Molly was so surprised when they called Kate's name to come forward to receive the 2<sup>nd</sup> place medal. She knew that Kate should have won the big first place trophy, but Molly's name was announced as the grand prize winner, Molly was so excited and felt so proud holding the trophy while everyone cheered! Kate congratulated Molly while everyone began packing up to go home. When Molly checked her score sheets, she saw that something was not quite right. The judges had mixed up the names and it was Kate who had really won the big trophy! Molly felt terrible but she had never won a real trophy before, besides, the beautiful trophy was hers, wasn't it? Just then one of the judges came by and saw the distressed look on her face. Molly loved Jesus and knew she had to give the trophy back, but it was not easy.



*1 Corinthians 10:13* *"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."*

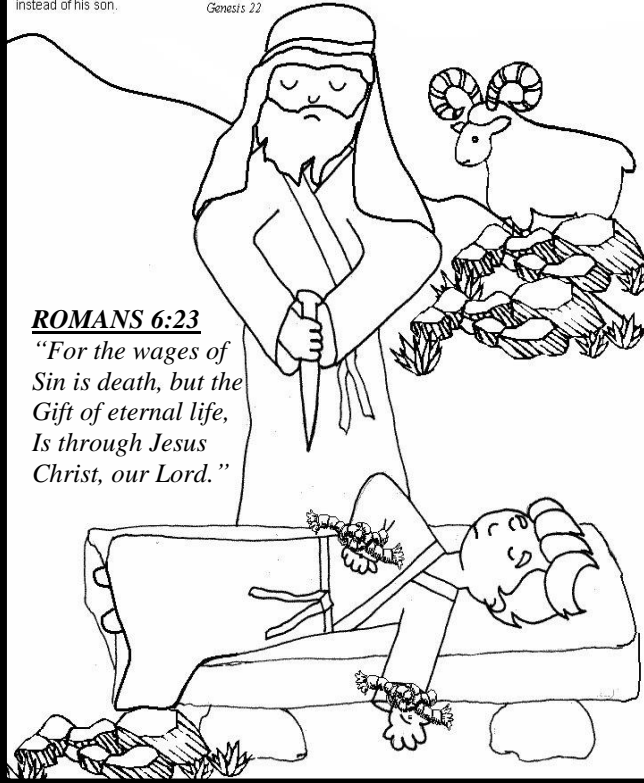
Jesus doesn't want you to sin and go through the pain of the consequences. Jesus wants to save you from every temptation so you can have a happy abundant life with Him now, and in Heaven!

## 12. COLORING CRAFT PAGE

And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven. And he said, Do not harm your son for now I know that you fear God, seeing that you have not withheld your son from me. And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering instead of his son.

*Genesis 22*

**Abraham and Isaac  
Trusted God to Provide  
When They Were Tested  
And God was Faithful.**



**ROMANS 6:23**

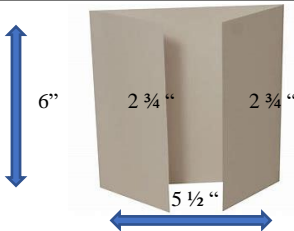
*“For the wages of Sin is death, but the Gift of eternal life, Is through Jesus Christ, our Lord.”*



**JESUS IS THE  
LAMB OF GOD**



**JESUS SHED HIS  
BLOOD FOR SIN  
SO I CAN LIVE  
MY LIFE FOR HIM.**



**Directions:**

1. Cut  $2\frac{1}{2}$  " from short side of Red Card Stock so it measures 6" x 11".
2. Make tri-fold card by folding outside  $2\frac{1}{2}$  "edges of card stock to center.
3. Cut out pictures and glue coloring page in center section of the tri-fold card.
4. When outside flaps are folded in, they will meet and cover the coloring page.
5. Glue a colored picture with caption to outside of left and right flaps.
6. Decorate around the pictures with sparkle jewels!