

### The Heart of the Matter

14. What is the most difficult thing God has ever asked you to do?

15. What is the most difficult thing God is asking you to do right now?

16. How is Isaac like Jesus and Abraham like our Heavenly Father?

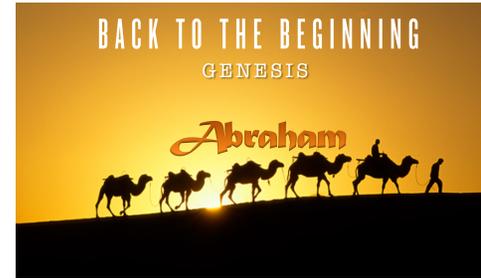
17. Where do you get the strength to say “Yes” to God when everything else inside of you says “no”?

18. What is the most important lesson for you through this study of Genesis 22?

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## Life Group Study Guide

### God Will Provide Genesis 22:1-19 For the Week of March 25, 2018

#### Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?
2. What possession would be the hardest for you to give up? What person?
3. Name a crisis that God allowed to take place in your life that brought you to be totally dependent on Him?

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### **Digging Deeper**

4. In verse 2, what is God emphasizing as he describes Abraham's relationship with Isaac?

5. Why did Abraham take Isaac to the altar?

- a) He was afraid of God.
- b) He was committed to unquestioning obedience.
- c) He knew it was only a test
- d) He believed God would make the difference.
- e) Other

6. Knowing God waited 25 years before providing a son for Abraham, how would you expect Abraham to react to God's instructions in verse 2?

7. What do you think Isaac was thinking as he walked with his father?

8. Why does God wait until the last second to stop Abraham?

9. For whose benefit does God see how far Abraham will go: His own? Abraham's? Isaac's? Or the readers? Why?

10. Since God already made his covenant with Abraham, why did he test him and then offer the same covenant again? (v15-19)

11. What do you think Isaac learned through all this?

12. What was God's purpose in sending Abraham this trial? (Hebrews 11:17-19)

13. What good does it do us to know our faith is real, to face trials and pass the tests?