



IN THE BEGINNING...  
A STUDY OF GENESIS

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

*Part 6: Isaac (Genesis 22)*

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- 1) **ICEBREAKER:** Just for fun... how would you rate yourself as a test-taker? Share about a significant or memorable testing experience in your life. (ex: taking the SAT, the LSAT, the organic chemistry final exam, etc.)
- 2) Take some time to read through the biblical story of Abraham and Isaac. (Gen 22:1-19, James 2:21-24) Which of the two contrasting responses mentioned in the introduction of this week's message (**Sweeping Away the Awkwardness vs Mortified Anger**) do you identify with? Do you have any other thoughts, reflections or wonderings about this story?
- 3) What does the story of Abraham and Isaac reveal to us about faith and obedience to God? How does this story connect to your own personal faith?
- 4) Describe a significant sacrifice that you have had to make in your own life. What factors led to that decision? What did you lose? What did you gain?
- 5) Why does God place TESTS in our life? Reflecting on the concept of God's TESTS, what are some other instances in the Bible where God tested individuals, and how did they respond? (James 1:12; 1 Peter 1:6-7)
- 6) Do you trust in God's plans for you? (Proverbs 3:5-6; Isaiah 55:8-9) In what specific areas do you struggle with that trust?
- 7) The sermon mentioned the first appearance of the word "love" in the Bible (Genesis 22:2). How does this add depth to the story, particularly in the context of sacrifice, obedience, and the foreshadowing of Jesus' love?
- 8) Who in your life needs to hear this message? Please take a moment to pray for them and then share this message (series) with them.