



Bible study for the week starting November 19, 2023

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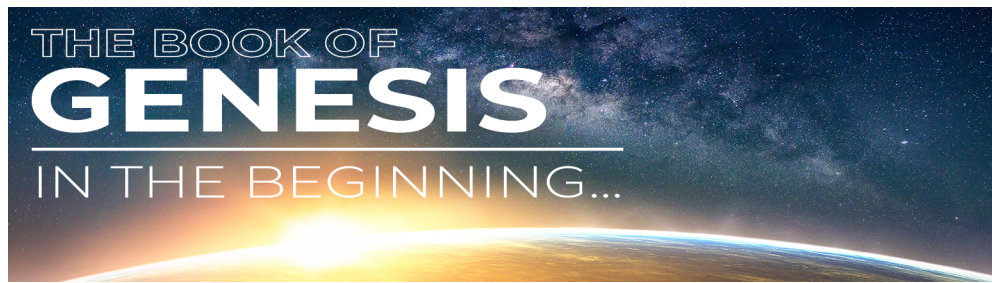
How do you respond to God's "testing"? Is there a time that you look back on and see that God was testing you? What do you see God doing in and for you through that test?

## READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read **James 2:14-24** There are some people that wish this wasn't in the Bible because it seems to contradict our doctrine of "faith alone" and Ephesians 2:8-9. However, the author of James, is simply stating that faith is more than knowledge about a thing...faith is applied trust in a thing...specifically God. Faith sometimes gets tested...and moves from thought into action. How does faith impact your action?
2. Read **Genesis 22:1-3**
  - a. How would you respond to this request?
  - b. Why do you think Abraham has little hesitation? Even wakes up early. (Hebrews 11:17-19)
3. Read **Genesis 22:4-8**
  - a. What from this section points to Jesus? (3 days, carried wood on back, God would provide the lamb, went together/ submitted to the father,)
4. Read **Genesis 22:9-14**
  - a. What did Abraham call that place? How have you seen God provide in your life?
5. Read **John 1:14-29**
  - a. v. 16 God provides "grace upon grace." How have you experienced an abundance of grace in your life?
  - b. v. 29 "Behold the Lamb" How do these stories interconnect? (The lamb that Isaac was asking for John proclaimed! How cool)

## PRAY

Thank you Lord for providing the Lamb and paying the price for our sin. Help me obey in faith and trust in you the Promiser.



“הִנְנִי”

Genesis 22:1-19

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Years and years of God’s faithfulness prepared Abraham (and Isaac) for the ultimate TEST.

How do you respond to TESTS and TRIALS?

- “Do not be SURPRISED at the fiery trial.”
- “Consider it pure JOY.”
- “PATIENT in tribulation.”

הִנְנִי - “HERE AM I”

“WE shall return to you.”

“God will provide for himself the LAMB for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them TOGETHER.

“Not my will, but YOUR WILL be done.”

God is showing himself to be DIFFERENT.

Abraham called the name of that place, “The Lord will PROVIDE.”

“For from His fullness we have all received, GRACE upon GRACE.” John 1:16