

# SHADOWS

## GLIMPSES OF JESUS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

### Abraham & Isaac

Week 3 | Genesis 22:1-19

All throughout the Old Testament, we see story after story of faithful yet flawed men and women whose lives reflect glimpses of the **glory** of the coming King, Jesus Christ.

After the flood, the next generations continued to turn from God and to their own pride. In the midst of this, God called a man named Abram to leave his country, to become the start of a people set apart for the Lord. God changed Abram's name to Abraham, meaning "father of a multitude," and promised that Abraham would be the father to a great nation, and that God would be with Abraham and his offspring. However, Abraham and his wife, being old and childless, doubted the promises of God, and Abraham had a son outside of his covenant of marriage between him and his wife. However, the Lord remained faithful to his promise, and he told Abraham and Sarah that they—within their marriage—would give birth to the son that God had promised them: Isaac.


#### BEFORE YOU START


Pray for God to illuminate his word, guide the conversation, and stir our souls.


What would you say is your most prized possession?

Read **Genesis 22:1-19**.

Summarize the passage in your own words. What stands out to you?

 Why did God ask Abraham to sacrifice the son that God had promised him? What was the purpose of this test? What was God asking him to give up?

 What did Abraham's willingness to obey reveal about his heart? How does your heart compare?

 Abraham was willing to give up his son for God, but oftentimes we are unwilling to even give up our sin. Is there anything you need to surrender to God this week?

 How is Jesus the true and better Isaac?

#### BEFORE YOU'RE SENT

What is God teaching you? What are you going to do about it? How can we help?

How can we pray for you? For your neighbors?