

Mountain Views:

Mt. Moriah

I. The View from Mt. Moriah (Gen.22:1-19)

1. Key Players:

- **Abraham** - God promised to make a great nation from his descendants but can't have kids.
- **Isaac** - Son of the promise born in Abraham's old age; key to future founding of Israel.
- **God** - Fulfilled an amazing promise to Abraham but then asks the unthinkable.

2. Amazing timeline and geography

- Abraham and Isaac sacrifice
- Mt Moriah
- @2033 BC

- Jesus on the cross
- Mt. Moriah
- @2,000 years later

Common Themes

- Obedience
- Faith
- Isaac carried the wood for his own sacrifice
- Jesus carried the cross

II. What Can We Learn from Mt. Moriah?

1. God wants us to OBEY Him, even when it doesn't make sense to us.

"The next morning Abraham got up early. He saddled his donkey and took two of his servants with him, along with his son, Isaac. Then he chopped wood for a fire for a burnt offering and set out for the place God had told him about." Genesis 22:3 (NLT)

2. Faith holds on to GOD and His PROMISES.

"And Abram believed the LORD, and the LORD counted him as righteous because of his faith." Genesis 15:6 (NLT)

"'God will provide a sheep for the burnt offering, my son,' Abraham answered. And they both walked on together." Genesis 22:8 (NLT)

Promises To Us

"...For God has said, 'I will never fail you. I will never abandon you.'"
Hebrews 13:5b (NLT)

"When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you." Isaiah 43:2 (NLT)

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6:33 (KJV)

3. Sometimes we don't see GOD'S PROVISION until we get to the place God TOLD US TO GO.

"Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son." Genesis 22:13 (NLT)