

Sermon Notes - July 17th, 2022

“First Things First: Real Worship” – John 4:23-24 (NASB)

Rick Shepherd, Guest Speaker

I. The Teaching Father: God Placed Adam in the Garden to Worship and Obey—Genesis 2:15

- A. True Worship—Deuteronomy 6:13; Matthew 4:10
- B. True Obedience—Deuteronomy 4:1-2

II. The Testing Father: Will Abraham, in Faith, Worship God?—Genesis 22

- A. The Site—Genesis 22:1-2
- B. The Story—Genesis 22:3-19
- C. The Statements—Genesis 22:12, 18
 - 1. *Fear God*
 - 2. *Give to God*
 - 3. *Obey God*

III. The Triumphant Father: He Found a True Worshiper in Abraham—Genesis 22:12; 24

- A. Genesis—Triumphant Statements:
 - 1. *The Angel of the LORD said, “Now I know...” – Genesis 22:12.*
 - 2. *Abraham spoke of “the LORD, the God of Heaven and the God of Earth”—Genesis 24:3, “the LORD, the God of Heaven”—Genesis 24:7, and “the LORD before Whom I have walked”—Genesis 24:40.*
 - 3. *Four times Abraham’s servant Eliezar spoke of the “LORD, the God of my master Abraham”—Genesis 24:12, 27, 42, 48*
- B. Jesus—Testimony Statements:
 - 1. “Abraham rejoiced to see My Day”—John 8:56a.
 - 2. “He saw it and was glad”—John 8:56b.
- C. Generations—Test of Faith Statement—Hebrews 11:17-19

Take Home:

- 1. *Learn from the Father what matters.*
- 2. *Worship Matters: Worship the One True God.*
- 3. *Obedience Matters: Obey Him and His Word.*