

“Theology” Sermon Series:

# What Does God Want?

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## I. Risk & Belief

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## II. God Tests Abraham

Genesis 22:1-19

v. 1-6

Preparations Made In Faith

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v. 7-10

Brought To The Brink

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v. 11-14

Unwavering Trust

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v. 15-19

Blessed By God

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## III. A Matter Of Trust

### *Personal Reflection*

*Set aside fifteen minutes this week to pray & respond to the following:*

*It might seem counterintuitive that the God of the universe who is entirely self-sufficient & omnipotent could want something from you. Regardless of how it seems, He does.*

*God wants you to trust Him. Not because He needs you, but because you need Him. He knows that you have needs only He can meet. He has the answers to the questions that weigh on your heart. In Him, the human needs for mercy, love & acceptance are satisfied.*

*Trusting God is both a response to evidence & an act of faith. Trust always brings with it a measure of risk. Trusting God means risking rejection by the world system that opposes His authority. Failing to trust God means missing out on salvation & eternal life through Jesus Christ.*

*Are you in a trust relationship with Jesus? Have you placed both your present life & your hope for eternal life in His hands? In repentance, have you accepted His authority as your personal Savior & Lord?*

*Prayerfully consider how deep & serious is your trust for the Lord. Give thanks that He alone is perfectly trustworthy & unfailing in faithfulness. Ask Him to reveal areas in which your heart is divided & to strengthen your resolve to be a committed follower of Jesus Christ, whatever the cost.*