"The Lord Will Provide" Genesis 22:1-19

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TEST: "A procedure intended to establish the quality, performance, or reliability of something. Especially before it is taken into widespread use!

Abraham had to learn the difference between trusting the PROMISE... and trusting the PROMISE MAKER!

Hebrews 11:17-19

¹⁷By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had embraced the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, ¹⁸ even though God had said to him, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned."^{[c] 19}Abraham reasoned that God could even raise the dead, and so in a manner of speaking he did receive Isaac back from death.

¹⁷ The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father." (John 10:17-18)

2 Cor 5:21 "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed ⁶ We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷ He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth." (Isaiah 53:4-7)

"When God asked Abraham for the ultimate demonstration of love and commitment, He asked for Abraham's son. When God the Father wanted to show us the ultimate demonstration of His love and commitment to us, He gave us His Son. "

² My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, ³ knowing that the testing of your faith produces ^[a]patience. ⁴ But let patience have *its* perfect work, that you may be ^[b]perfect and complete, lacking nothing. (James 1:2-4)