



PRAYER: God our Provider, we thank you that no situation is too far out of your control: you provide. We thank you that you own it all and hold everything in your hands: you provide. We thank you that you know our needs before we even ask: you provide. You're aware of all that concerns us, and you have a plan: you provide. Forgive us for doubting you, and for trying so hard to work everything out on our own. Help us to trust you more. We believe that you are able to accomplish far more, to do far greater, than we even thought possible. We thank you in advance for your miracles. Thank you for the abundance of blessing and goodness you have already stored up. Thank you for teaching us to be content in all circumstances. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

ICEBREAKER: Share three things that you believe God has provided for you in the last month.

INTRODUCTION: In Genesis 22, Abraham is challenged to show his allegiance and loyalty to God just as the ancients around him demonstrated theirs to their gods, by giving that which they valued most. The surprise of this text is that God permits Abraham to walk out and work through what he believed he should do and discover that THIS ONE GOD was not one who took, but one who gave. God provided the sacrifice for him and does the same for us. His name is Jireh.

SCRIPTURE: Read Genesis 22:11-14 (NCV)

DISCUSSION:

1. After years of waiting for their son Abraham (100 when Isaac was born) and Sarah (90 when Isaac was born), God gives an amazing assignment to this couple. Throughout the story, none of their emotions are recorded. What do you think was going through their minds?
2. What was the "test" from God for Abraham? What do you learn about God's tests? How does James 1:12-13 make a distinction between "test" and "tempt?"
3. With the sacrifice of Isaac, God is asking Abraham to give up everything—not just his son, but the promises of the covenant as well. All Abraham will have left is God. Is that enough?
4. Would you give God your life if He gave back nothing but Godself? How much do the "benefits/blessings of God" motivate you in your walk with God? What would take for you to be able to say "God you are enough. Even if all else fades away, if I have you, I have enough?" Is your faith in God that strong?

CHALLENGE: What is one "a-ha" moment you had in our group discussion today. Note it and write it down. If you applied your learning from this week's message, how would the next week be different for you?

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Today's Message: JIREH: The Lord Who Provides

Dr. Lance D. Watson, Senior Pastor

SERVE: How is God calling us to live out this message this week? As individuals? As a group?

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Take this time to share group announcements. Church wide and campus specific announcements can be found at myspbc.org. You can also connect with us on social media at facebook.com/myspbc, instagram.com/myspbc and twitter.com/MySPBC_online. Turn on your notifications.

CELEBRATIONS: Take this time to share praise reports (e.g., answered prayers, birthdays, anniversaries, promotions).

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAYER: Take this time to share prayer requests. Close with prayer.

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We Care!

NOTICE: PLEASE BE PATIENT AS WE GRADUALLY REOPEN OUR CAMPUSES IN THE SAFEST MANNER POSSIBLE. As a small group leader, we depend on you to show members that we care. Here's a list of resources to help you.

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