

Genesis 22

The Akedah
(the “binding of Isaac”)

- Gen 15 – God made a covenant with Himself that promised the land to Abram who was 76 years old
- Gen 16 – Abram was 86 years old and takes Hagar and gives birth to Ishmael
- Gen 17 – Circumcision - Abraham was 99 years old and Ishmael was 13 years old
- Gen 21 – Birth of Isaac - Abraham was 100 years old, Sarah was 90 years old
- Gen 22 – Isaac is now probably in his 30's, Abraham in his 130's
- Gen 23 – Sarah dies at 127 years old

[Read Gen 22:1-4]

Abraham is called

- Take “your only son” - there was an older son, but this was the promised son
- Whom you love – this is the first time that “love” is mentioned in the Bible and it's in reference to a father sacrificing his son
- Offer him as a sacrifice on a specific mountain – Mt. Moriah
- How many days did they travel?

[Read Gen 22:5-8]

Notice what Abraham says to his servants: “We're going to worship and will return to you.” Was he lying? (Hebrews 11:17-19)

Verse 8 in the Hebrew:

And	Abraham	said,	My son,	God	will provide	himself
וַיֹּאמֶר	אַבְרָהָם	וַיֹּאמֶר	בְּנִי	אֱלֹהִים	יִרְאֶה	לוֹ
vayyō'mer H559	'abrāhām H85	vayyō'mer H559	b'nī H1121	'ēlōhīm H430	yir'ē H7200	lō
אָמַר	אַבְרָהָם	אָמַר	בֶּן	אֱלֹהִים	רָאָה	
'amar	'abrāhām	'amar	bēn	'ēlōhīm	rā'ā	
H C / Vqw3ms	H Np	H C / Vqw3ms	H Ncmsc / Sp1cs	H Ncmpa	H Vqi3ms	H R / Sp3ms
a lamb	for a burnt offering:	so they went	both of them	together.		
הָשֶׂה	לְעֹלָה	וַיֵּלְכוּ	שְׁנֵיהֶם	יַחְדָּו		
haśśē H7716	l'ōlā H5930	vayyēlkū H3212	ś'nēhem H8147	yahdāv H3162		
שֶׁה	עֹלָה	יָלַךְ	שְׁנַיִם	יַחַד		
sē	'ōlā	yālak	ś'nayim	yahad		
H Td / Ncbsa	H R / Ncfsa	H C / Vqw3mp	H Acmdc / Sp3mp	H D		

[Read Gen 22:9-14]

Abraham binds Isaac – 30 years old vs 130 years old. Isaac willingly carried the wood and willingly laid down on the altar.

Abraham names that place Jehovah-Jira – “God provides” or, literally, “God sees.” But in context God “provided” a substitute for Isaac.

2100 years later on this mountain, on this very spot, God will see and God will provide.

[Read Gen 22:15-19]

All nations are blessed because through Abraham will come the Messiah, the ultimate substitute for all of us. (See Galatians 3:6-9)

But who came down the mountain?

The Bible uses things called “types”. A type is basically a symbol. Like a protoTYPE. This chapter is a TYPE or a symbol of God the Father and Jesus Christ.

	Isaac	Jesus
Called “Only (begotten) Son”	Hebrews 11:17	John 3:16
Prophesied	Genesis 12:3, 18:10	Genesis 3:15, Luke 1:30, 31
Miraculous conception	Genesis 18:13	Luke 1: 34, 35
Named before being born	Genesis 17:19	Matthew 1:21
Persecuted by relatives	Genesis 21:9	John 1:11
Loved by their fathers	Genesis 22:2	Matthew 3:16,17
Sacrificed	Genesis 22:2	1 Cor 5:7
Accompanied by 2 men (servants, thieves)	Genesis 22:3	Matthew 27:38
Dead 3 days (Isaac figuratively, Jesus literally)	Genesis 22:4	Matthew 12:40
Carried their own wood	Genesis 22:6	John 19:17
Son went willingly	Genesis 22:9	Luke 22:42

[Read Genesis 24:1-9]

[Read Genesis 24:10-14]

[Read Genesis 24:15-21]

Rebekah was beautiful. The others are Sarah (Genesis 12:11-14), Rachel (Genesis 29:17), Abigail (1 Samuel 25:3), Bathsheba (2 Samuel 11:2), Tamar (2 Samuel 14:27), Queen Vashti of the Persians (Esther 1:11), Esther (Esther 2:7), and the daughters of Job (Job 42:15).

She was born to Bethuel, the son of Milcah (Lot's sister), the wife of Nahor (Abraham's brother).

Camels could drink up to 20 gallons of water and they had 10 camels.

[Read Genesis 24:22-28]

[Read Genesis 29-33]

[Read Genesis 24:52-58]

[Read Genesis 24:62-67]

Isaac has been edited out of the text since his sacrifice and his name finally shows up again. He had disappeared. The father then sends an unnamed servant out to get a bride for his son.

What is this servant's name? (Genesis 15:2) Eleazar "God is my helper" or "Helper".

Before Jesus ascended, He said that someone is coming after Him and that we won't be left alone. Who? The Helper, the Comforter, the Holy Spirit (John 14-16). The Holy Spirit was sent to find and prepare the bride.