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Title: "The Sacrificed Son"

Series: Genesis: Beginnings

Text: Genesis 22:1-24

1. The command of God demands **STEADFAST SUBMISSION** vv. 1-5 (*see also, Deuteronomy 6:1-3; 1 Samuel 15:22; Psalm 119:33-40; John 15:10*).
2. The holiness of God demands a **SCANDALOUS SACRIFICE** vv. 6-10 (*see also Leviticus 1:1-3; Malachi 1:6-8; Matthew 16:24-25; Romans 12:1-2*).
3. The mercy of God provides a **SENT SUBSTITUTE** vv. 11-12 (*see also Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 53:4-6, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Colossians 1:21-23*).

FOR FURTHER STUDY & DISCUSSION

1. God's command demands a steadfast submission from us. In your life, what are some things that you feel God has called you to do? How have you responded to Him? Do you ever struggle and delay in your obedience and, in your experience, has that made following the Lord easier or harder in the long run? Do you ever find yourself drawn to bold moments of obedience and do you sometimes ignore the daily sacrifices Christ calls us to as His followers?
2. Because God is holy, righteous, and good He has the right to demand everything from us. Are there things in your life you have hesitated to give up to Him? Are there things you would honestly be unwilling to put before Him? What would those things be? When we follow God on our own conditions, how does that change our posture before Him? Getting pragmatic, what would it look like for you to make a scandalous sacrifice for God this week, this month, or this year?
3. We are unable to earn our own salvation, which means that we must rely on God to provide a way of escape for us from our sin. We often talk about how dangerous it can be to rely on our own strength, but what does that actually look like in daily life? How would it look instead to trust in God to bring you salvation and peace? If our salvation is not a result of our own efforts, gifts, or power, how does that change the way we understand the authority of God?
4. This passage clearly points us to the gospel, from beginning to end. Where do you see connections between Isaac's sacrifice and the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross? How is the binding of Isaac different than the sacrifice of Jesus? How is Jesus a better sacrifice than Isaac? What does Isaac lack that keeps him from being a perfect substitute? Why did God need to send a ram for Isaac, and why did Jesus need to die on our behalf? Why do you think Genesis 22 ends by talking about the birth of Rebekah? What role do Rebekah and Isaac play in bringing about God's final plan for salvation through His greater sacrificed Son? How can you respond to His sacrifice this week, month, or year?

NEXT WEEK: Genesis 23-25:18

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