



## SERMON NOTES

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### Walking by Faith

*Genesis 22*

*Genesis 22:1-2 (NLT)*

Some time later, God tested Abraham's faith. "Abraham!" God called. "Yes," he replied. "Here I am." <sup>2</sup>"Take your son, your only son—yes, Isaac, whom you love so much—and go to the land of Moriah.

*Genesis 22:2 (NLT)*

Go and sacrifice him as a burnt offering on one of the mountains, which I will show you."

*2 Corinthians 5:7 (NIV)*

For we live by faith, not by sight.

1. Walking by faith requires complete **dependency** on **God**.

2. As we walk by faith, God uses the journey to **shape** and **mold** us.

*Genesis 22:3-4 (NLT)*

<sup>3</sup>The next morning Abraham got up early. He saddled his donkey and took two of his servants with him, along with his son, Isaac. Then he chopped wood for a fire for a burnt offering and set out for the place God had told him about. <sup>4</sup>On the third day of their journey, Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance.

3. Walking by faith requires **listening** to **God**.

*Genesis 22:5 (NLT)*

<sup>5</sup>"Stay here with the donkey," Abraham told the servants. "The boy and I will travel a little farther. We will worship there, and then we will come right back."

4. Walking by faith requires **separation**.

*Luke 9:57-62 (NIV)*

As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." He said to another man, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their

own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” Still another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family.” Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.”

*Genesis 22:6-8 (NLT)*

<sup>6</sup> So Abraham placed the wood for the burnt offering on Isaac’s shoulders, while he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them walked on together, <sup>7</sup> Isaac turned to Abraham and said, “Father?” “Yes, my son?” Abraham replied. “We have the fire and the wood,” the boy said, “but where is the sheep for the burnt offering?” <sup>8</sup> “God will provide a sheep for the burnt offering, my son,” Abraham answered. And they both walked on together.

*Genesis 22:9-12 (NLT)*

<sup>9</sup> When they arrived at the place where God had told him to go, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood on it. Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar on top of the wood.

<sup>10</sup> And Abraham picked up the knife to kill his son as a sacrifice. <sup>11</sup> At that moment the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, “Abraham! Abraham!” “Yes,” Abraham replied. “Here I am!” <sup>12</sup> “Don’t lay a hand on the boy!” the angel said. “Do not hurt him in any way, for now I know that you truly fear God. You have not withheld from me even your son, your only son.”

*Genesis 22:13-14 (NLT)*

<sup>13</sup> Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son. <sup>14</sup> Abraham named the place Yahweh-Yireh (which means “the LORD will provide”). To this day, people still use that name as a proverb: “On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided.”

5. As we walk by faith, **submission** must precede **provision**.

## Midtown Campus: Bill Osgood

### Refreshing the Cache

Zephaniah 3:14-20

1. We need to update our understanding of who God is.

Zephaniah 3:14

Sing, Daughter Zion; shout aloud, Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, Daughter Jerusalem! 15 The LORD has taken away your punishment, he has turned back your enemy. The LORD, the King of Israel, is with you; never again will you fear any harm. 16 On that day they will say to Jerusalem, "Do not fear, Zion; do not let your hands hang limp. 17 The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; He will renew you in His love, and will rejoice over you with singing.

2. We need to update our understanding of what God is doing.

Zephaniah 3:18

"I will remove from you all who mourn over the loss of your appointed festivals, which is a burden and reproach for you. 19 At that time I will deal with all who oppressed you. I will rescue the lame; I will gather the exiles. I will give them praise and honor in every land where they have suffered shame. 20 At that time I will gather you; at that time I will bring you home. I will give you honor and praise among all the peoples of the earth when I restore your fortunes before your very eyes," says the LORD.

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