Abraham & Isaac
Gen 22:1-14

Items Needed

✓ Bible with marked scripture
✓ Pencils or Pens
✓ Coloring Crayons or Markers
✓ Copies of worksheet
✓ Copies of coloring sheet
✓ Copies of Take Home Overview Sheet
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Objective of Lesson

The Lord God provides Himself a sacrifice for His people’s sin.

Scripture Reference

Genesis 22:1-14 - 1AFTER THESE events, God tested and proved Abraham and said to him, Abraham! And he said, Here I am. 2[God] said, Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah: and offer him there as a burnt offering upon one of the mountains of which I will tell you. 3So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and his son Isaac; and he split the wood for the burnt offering, and then began the trip to the place of which God had told him. 4On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. 5And Abraham said to his servants, Settle down and stay here with the donkey, and I and the young man will go yonder and worship and [a]come again to you. 6Then Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and laid it on [the shoulders of ] Isaac his son, and he took the fire (the firepot) in his own hand, and a knife; and the two of them went on together. 7And Isaac said to Abraham, My father! And he said, Here I am, my son. [Isaac] said, See, here are the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt sacrifice? 8Abraham said, My son, [b]God Himself will provide a lamb for the burnt offering. So the two went on together. 9When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there; then he laid the wood in order and [c]bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar on the wood.(A) 10And Abraham
stretched forth his hand and took hold of the knife to slay his son.  
  11But the Angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, Abraham, Abraham! He answered, Here I am.  
  12And He said, Do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him: for now I know that you fear and revere God, since you have not held back from Me or begrudged giving Me your son, your only son.  
  13Then Abraham looked up and glanced around, and behold, behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up for a burnt offering and an ascending sacrifice instead of his son!  
  14So Abraham called the name of that place The Lord Will Provide. And it is said to this day, On the mount of the Lord it will be provided.

Lesson Instructions

1. Today we are going to learn a story told in the Bible about a man named Abraham and his wife Sarah. Abraham and Sarah had been married many years and had wanted a child very much, but for many years God did not give them one. One day three men, who were angels of God, came to see Abraham and promised him that God would give him and Sarah a son. They were much too old to have a baby, but despite their age and their doubt, Isaac was born just as God had promised.

2. What happens next in the story is what I want us all to learn about today. One day God gave Abraham a command. He gave Abraham this command and is recorded for us in our Bibles to teach us how God saves His people from their sins.

3. You all may remember, back in those times of which we are telling, when men and women worshipped God, God commanded that they build an altar of earth or of stone, and kill a perfect sheep or goat as offering to Him. This was called "a sacrifice" and was a picture of God's Lamb - Jesus Christ, His Holy Son that was coming into the world to sacrifice Himself for His people's sins. It is important to know that a blood offering, a sacrifice is the only way we can be forgiven of God for our sins.
4. God commanded Abraham to offer Him a sacrifice, but instead of a sheep, or a goat - this time God demanded Abraham's only son, Isaac, as a sacrifice. God said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love so greatly, and go to the land of Moriah, and there on a mountain that I will show you, offer him for a burnt-offering to Me."

5. Abraham was very sad, but he believed and trusted God, and undertook at once to obey God's command. He took two young men with him and a donkey laden with wood for the fire; he went toward the mountain in the north, and Isaac, his son, was walking by his side. For two days they walked, sleeping under the trees at night in the open country. On the third day Abraham saw the mountain far away.

6. As they drew near to the mountain Abraham said to the young men, "Stay here with the donkey, while I go up yonder mountain with Isaac to worship; and when we have worshipped, we will come back to you."

7. Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and laid it on the shoulders of Isaac his son, and he took the fire (the firepot) in his own hand, and a knife; and the two of them went on together. As they were walking, Isaac said, "My father! See, here are the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt sacrifice?" And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide Himself a lamb for the burnt offering."

8. They came to the place on the top of the mountain, and there Abraham built an altar of stones and earth heaped up; and on it he placed the wood. Then he tied the hands and the feet of his only son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. Abraham stretched forth his hand and took hold of the knife to slay his son.

9. The Angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" He answered, "Here I am." The Angel of the Lord said, "Do not lay your hand on the young boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear and revere God since you have not held back from Me nor begrudged giving Me your son, your only son."
10. Abraham looked up and glanced around, and beheld behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by his horns, and Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up for a burnt offering - an ascending sacrifice instead of his son!

11. Abraham called the name of that place, The Lord Will Provide. It is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it will be provided.” The place where this altar was built Abraham named Jehovah-jireh, words in the language that Abraham spoke meaning, “The Lord will provide.”

12. What does this story teach us? Here, for the first time, God shows us, in a vivid picture, the necessity of a human sacrifice for the ransom of our souls from our debt of sin. Because it was a man who brought sin into the world, (Adam) sin must be removed by a man. Because man had sinned, a man must suffer the wrath of God and die. The blood of bulls and goats could never take away sin, but the Man, Christ Jesus, “...after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God.” “For by one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified.” (Heb. 10:4, 12, 14)

13. Here the Lord God Himself is telling us what He has done for us, “Take now thy son” -- The Lord Jesus Christ, whom God sacrificed for us, is Himself the Son of God.

14. “Thine only son” -- Our Savior, whom God gave for the ransom of our souls, is God’s “only begotten Son.” (John 3:16)

15. “Isaac” -- Isaac means “laughter”, or “delight.” Christ is the one, the only one, in whom God is well pleased.

16. “Whom thou lovest” -- God said, “This is my beloved Son.” Yet, He sacrificed His darling son for us, the very chief of sinners.

17. “And offer him for a burnt offering” -- Not just a sacrifice, “a burnt offering!” The Lord Jesus Christ is our burnt-offering, our sin-offering, our trespass offering, sacrificed for us by the hand of God, according to the will of God. (Isa. 53:10; Heb. 10:9-10)

18. “Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift!” (11 Cor. 9:15)
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