

Take Your Son

Genesis

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Our devotion to God is tested by whatever could most easily

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The Nature of the Test

¹ Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” “Here I am,” he replied. ² Then God said, “Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you.”

The Response to the Test

³ Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. ⁴ On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. ⁵ He said to his servants, “Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you.” ⁶ Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, ⁷ Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, “Father?” “Yes, my son?” Abraham replied. “The fire and wood are here,” Isaac said, “but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?” ⁸ Abraham answered, “God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.” And the two of them went on together. ⁹ When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the

altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.

The Purpose for the Test

¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, “Abraham! Abraham!” “Here I am,” he replied. ¹² “Do not lay a hand on the boy,” he said. “Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son.” ¹³ Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, “On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided.” ¹⁵ The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time ¹⁶ and said, “I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, ¹⁸ and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me.” ¹⁹ Then Abraham returned to his servants, and they set off together for Beersheba. And Abraham stayed in Beersheba.

How can you remove limits on what you will offer to God?

This Week

Sunday, February 3, 2019

8 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
9:25 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 th , 5 th & 6 th Grade Group	Lower Garage
	Exit83 Jr. High & High School Youth Group	The Garage
	Focus Group	Bellevue House
	Faith Still Matters	Bellevue House
10:55 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 th , 5 th & 6 th Grade Group	Lower Garage

Monday, February 4

10 a.m.	Monday Mornings with Marnie	Bellevue House
11:15 a.m.	Widow's Support Lunch	Molly's Souper
7 p.m.	Heart to Heart	Mont Vista 1
	Prayer for Prodigals	Mont Vista 2

Tuesday, February 5

9 a.m.	Flourish Women's Group	Bellevue House
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Wednesday, February 6

6:30 a.m.	Wednesday Morning Men's Group	Molly's Souper
6:30 p.m.	Beloved	Bellevue House
7 p.m.	Exit83 Jr. High & High School Youth Group	The Garage
	Women at the Well	Room 104
	Wednesday Night Men's Study	Room 102

Thursday, February 7

6:30 a.m.	Thursday Morning Men's Group	Chick-fil-A
9 a.m.	God's Design for Women	The Garage
7 p.m.	College/Post College Group	Garcia's Home
	Handmade Treasures from the Heart	Room 104-105
	Griefshare	Room 103
	Thursday Night Men's Group	Bellevue House

Friday, February 8

7 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	The Garage
	Single's LIFEgroup	Manny's House

Interested in joining one of these groups? Sign up online at lbfnextsteps.church and a group leader will contact you.

Pray

1. Pray for unity and impact for GO Team Kenya as they depart this coming Friday to support the Kiprops and help to build a hospital.
2. Pray for God to work with power and passion in the lives of the junior high students who will be at Winter Camp this upcoming weekend.

Giving Update

Fiscal Year July 2018-June 2019 **Total Budget: \$2,459,200**

	Budget Goal	Giving Received	Over/Under
December	\$334,401	\$391,141	\$56,740
January	\$182,821	\$148,396	(\$34,425)
Fiscal YTD	\$1,452,335	\$1,520,374	\$68,039

Debt Reduction Fund

	Giving Received
December	\$13,785
January	\$5,134
Fiscal YTD	\$45,913

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