

"After these things..." After making three great promises to Abraham...

- His family line would grow into a great nation
- That nation would have a beautiful land to call home
- Somehow, someway, "all the nations of the earth" would be blessed by Abraham's family line After miraculously providing a son when Abraham was IOO years old, "God tested Abraham."

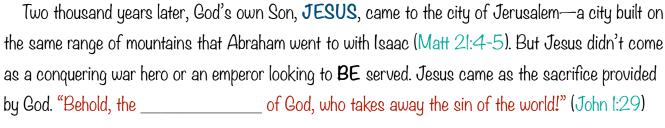
"Take your _____, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." (Gen 22:2)

After a three-day journey, "Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar" (22:4). Let's read Genesis 22:5-8 very carefully:

Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son."

He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "_____ will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son."

And God **DID** provide a sacrifice in the place of Abraham's son, Isaac. But what does this have to do with our **search for the King?**



God provided the Lamb, for Abraham and for us all. Jesus is God's greatest gift to us!

FOUNDATION STONES

Are tests always fun? Why do teachers or parents sometimes give us tests? What good are tests? Do they help us in any way?



Can you find Hebrews 11:17-19 in your Bible? It helps us understand just how GREAT Abraham's faith was and what he believed during this REALLY hard test. According to verse 19, what did Abraham believe God could do?

What son did God ACTUALLY sacrifice and raise from the dead? Was it Isaac or someone else?

