

“A PICTURE OF THE PROMISE”

Genesis: Creation to Nation

Genesis 22

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The story of Abraham and Isaac points us to the Gospel and encourages us to live by faith.

A. We are pointed to the Gospel through this story by observing three parallels.

1. The Father’s love for His only Son. (Genesis 22:2; Mark 1:9-11, 9:7; Luke 20:13; Colossians 1:13)

2. The Father’s will to sacrifice His Son. (Genesis 22:6, 9-10; Isaiah 53:5, 10; Acts 2:23)

3. The Father’s provision of a mediator. (Genesis 22:6-14; 1 Timothy 2:5-6)

“A ‘mediator’ is someone who intervenes between two parties, either to make peace and restore friendship, or to form a covenant. In keeping with this, Christ by His death restored the harmony between God and human beings which sin had broken.”

Barker and Kohlenberger, III,
Zondervan NIV Bible Commentary, Vol. 2, New Testament.
Zondervan Publishing, Grand Rapids, MI, 1994, p. 896.

B. We are encouraged to live by faith through observing the faith of Abraham.

1. Faith in God's provision. (Genesis 22:8; John 3:16; Romans 3:21-25, 5:1-2, 10:9-10; Hebrews 11:17-19)

2. Faith in obedience. (Genesis 22:2-3, 10-12; Matthew 10:37-39)

3. Faith even when it doesn't make sense. (Hebrews 11:1)

4. Faith that brings blessings to others. (Genesis 22:15-18)