

Hebrews 11:17-19

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- I. Faith. Hebrews 11:1
- II. How did the people know the Word of God in order to have faith? Hebrews 11:2
 - A. Examples of those who had faith in the spoken word of God.
 - 1. Abraham offered Isaac. Hebrews 11:17-19, Genesis 22:1-14
 - a. God identifies Isaac as Abraham's only son. Genesis 22:1-2
 - 1) Abraham is symbolic of God the Father.
 - 2) Isaac is symbolic of Jesus.
 - 2. Abraham is to offer Isaac as a burnt offering. Genesis 22:2
 - a. God would offer his only begotten son, Jesus, as an offering for our sin. John 3:16, Ephesians 5:2, Hebrews 10:10-14
 - b. God commands Abraham to offer Isaac on a certain mountain. Genesis 22: 2
 - 1) A mountain in the land of Moriah.
 - c. Abraham took Isaac, two servants, a donkey, and the wood for a burnt offering and went to the land of Moriah. Genesis 22:4
 - d. On the third day, Abraham saw the place afar off. Genesis 22:4
 - 1) On the third day Jesus was raised. 1 Corinthians 15:3-4
 - 2) Mount Moriah, the same mountain Jesus was crucified on.
 - e. Abraham told his servants to stay at the foot of the mountain.
 - 1) Abraham and Isaac would go to the top of the mountain, worship, and return. Genesis 22:5
 - 2) Abraham believed that God would raise his son after he was offered on the Altar. Hebrews 11:17-19

- f. Abraham and Isaac start up the mountain. Genesis 22:6-8
 - 1) Abraham put the wood on Isaac. Genesis 22:6
 - a) Jesus carried his cross (wood) John 19:17
 - 2) Abraham took the fire and a knife. Genesis 22:6
 - 3) Isaac wants to know, "Where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Genesis 22:7
 - 4) Abraham answers; "God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering." Genesis 22:8
 - a) God would provide himself as a lamb for a burnt offering.
 - 5) 1,860 years later the Lamb of God was provided, Jesus. John 1:29
- g. Abraham builds an altar on the top of the mountain. Genesis 22:9
 - 1) Abraham lays the wood in order.
 - 2) Abraham binds Isaac and lays him on the altar.
 - 3) Abraham takes the knife to slay Isaac. Genesis 22:10
- h. Angel of the Lord stops Abraham from offering Isaac. Genesis 22:11-12
 - 1) The angel knows now that Abraham fears God and is willing to offer Isaac, his only son.
- i. A ram is to be offered in the place of Isaac. Genesis 22:13
 - 1) A ram not a lamb.
 - 2) The sacrifice will not be completed until a ram is offered.
 - 3) When Jesus, the Lamb of God, died on the cross, he said, "It is finished." The sacrifice started by Abraham was now finished.
- j. Abraham names the place, Jehovah-jireh. Genesis 22:14
 - 1) It means, "In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen."
 - 2) We have seen the love of God on Calvary, the mount of the Lord.