



## S C R I P T

### The whole Duty of Man is summed up in Obedience to God's Will

Genesis 22:1-19 (NKJV)

When Abraham was 75 years old, he received a promise from God that he would become a great nation. His wife was sterile and also very old like him. Twenty-five years later Sarah, who was sterile gave birth a son who Abraham called Isaac. God never forget His promise as Abraham was 100 years old when he became a father. Whenever God says: “*I will do it!*”, He does it. Abraham lived 175 years and Sarah 127. Both of them saw God’s promises fulfilled in their lives because they just believed.

Before we consider anything, we must know two important principles:

- # God tests someone who He loves
- # He always requires from us valuable things

James 2:23 (NKJV) - And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, “Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.” And he was called the friend of God.

Let’s learn from the way Abraham led himself:

#### 1. Abraham obeyed God with no restrictions (v.3a)

<sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son...

- Abraham had no difficulty to obey once he used to have an intimacy with God
- Obedience sometimes requires sacrifice but also brings a reward

#### 2. Isaac did the service “check list” (v.7)

<sup>7</sup> But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, “My father!”... “Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?”

- Isaac knew all the ingredients of worship, that was familiar for him
  - They both used to worship God together as Abraham gave it to him as a legacy
- Proverbs 22:6 (NET) - Train a child in the way that he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

#### 3. Abraham was confident that God would provide everything (v.8a)

<sup>8</sup> And Abraham said, “My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering...”

- When we decide to obey, God takes control of the whole situation
- Abraham used to be a man of faith and then God called him “my friend”

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#### 4. Abraham lifted his eyes and he actually saw the provision (v.13a)

<sup>13</sup> Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns...

- As Abraham obeyed the Lord with no restriction, he saw God's provision
- Understanding or not, obedience is the key to live a happy life

Psalm 121:1-2 (NKJV) - I will lift up my eyes to the hills—From whence comes my help? <sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.



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