

GENESIS (22:1-19)
Week's Reading: Genesis 22-24
Discussion Guide, August 22, 2021

CHECK UP:

Memory Work Review: Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

- 2 Timothy 2:22

- How did God's inevitable day of judgment impact the way you lived this past week?

OPEN by PRAYER

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- What stood out to you from this past week's reading?
 - o What questions do you have?
- Who do you know that is a model of living a life of faith?
 - o How is their life marked by faith?

READ and ASK: Genesis 22:1-19, Hebrews 11:17-19

- In verse 2, what is God emphasizing as he describes Abraham's relationship to Isaac? Why?
- Knowing that Abraham has been waiting for many years for God's promise of a son to come to fruition, how would you expect Abraham to respond to God's instruction?
 - o Why do you think Abraham chooses not to object?
- What was God really looking for in this account?
- In what ways do you see parallels to the account of the cross in this text?

APPLY:

- If you were speculating, and in Abraham's shoes, how do you think you would have responded? (Keep Hebrews 11:17-18 in mind).

- Where do you sense you are being tested or challenged in your life right now?
 - o How are you doing? What are you learning?
 - o What have you found helpful when you face tests and trials?

- NEXT STEP(S): What do you especially need to commit to the Lord right now?
 - o How can the group help and pray for you in that?

Memory Work:

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see
- Hebrews 11:1

Next Week's Reading:

Catch up week