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Worship in Song

Almighty, Most Holy, God

Almighty, most Holy God,

Faithful through the ages!

Almighty, most Holy Lord,

Glorious, Almighty God!

The beasts of the field, the birds of the air Are silent to call out Your name. The earth has no voice and I have no choice, But to magnify God unashamed!

Let the rocks be kept silent for one more day.

Let the whole world sing out.

Let the people say:

Almighty, most Holy God, Faithful through the ages!
Almighty, most Holy Lord, Glorious, Almighty God!

Well, time marches on

With innocence gone,

And a darkness has covered the earth.

But His Spirit still dwells;

He speaks, "It is well."

And the hopeless still offered new birth.

He will break the leash of death;
It will have no sting.
Let the prisoner go free,
Join the dance and sing!

Almighty, most Holy God, Faithful through the ages! Almighty, most Holy Lord, Glorious, Almighty God!



Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name

In the land that is plentiful

Where Your streams

of abundance flow

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name When I'm found in the desert place Though I walk

through the wilderness

Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name When the sun's shining down on me When the world's all as it should be

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name On the road marked with suffering Though there's pain in the offering

Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away You give and take away My heart will choose to say Lord blessed be Your name

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Forever

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Give thanks to the Lord,

Our God and King;

His love endures forever.

For He is good,

He is above all things;

His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise!

With a mighty hand

And outstretched arm;

His love endures forever.

For the life that's been reborn;

His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise!

Sing praise, sing praise!

Forever God is faithful,

Forever God is strong,

Forever God is with us,

Forever, forever.

Forever God is faithful,

Forever God is strong,

Forever God is with us,

Forever, forever.

From the rising

To the setting sun

His love endures forever.

By the grace of God

We will carry on;

His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise!

Sing praise, sing praise!

Forever God is faithful,

Forever God is strong,

Forever God is with us,

Forever, forever.

Forever God is faithful,

Forever God is strong,

Forever God is with us,

Forever, forever.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

and

GREETING

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

WORSHIP THE LORD WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10 "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Doxology

Praise God, from whom

all blessings flow:

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav' nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

A-men

Worship in Song

Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus

Just to take Him at His word.

Just to rest upon His promise

Just to know "Thus saith the Lord".

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!

How I've proved Him o'er and o'er.

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus.

O for grace to trust Him more.

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,

Just to trust His cleansing blood,

Just in simple faith to plunge me

'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!

How I've proved Him o'er and o'er.

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus.

O for grace to trust Him more.

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,

Just from sin and self to cease,

Just from Jesus simply taking

Life and rest and joy and peace.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!

How I've proved Him o'er and o'er.

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus.

O for grace to trust Him more.

I'm so glad I learned to trust Him,

Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;

And I know that He is with me,

Will be with me to the end.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!

How I've proved Him o'er and o'er.

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus.

O for grace to trust Him more.



Trusting Jesus

Simply trusting every day Trusting through a stormy way Even when my faith is small Trusting Jesus that is all

Trusting as the moments fly Trusting as the days go by Trusting Him whate'er befall Trusting Jesus that is all

Brightly doth His Spirit shine Into this poor heart of mine While He leads I cannot fall Trusting Jesus that is all

Trusting as the moments fly Trusting as the days go by Trusting Him whate'er befall Trusting Jesus that is all

Singing if my way is clear Praying if the path be drear If in danger for Him call Trusting Jesus that is all

Trusting as the moments fly Trusting as the days go by Trusting Him whate'er befall Trusting Jesus that is all

Trusting Him while life shall last Trusting Him till earth be past Till within the jasper wall Trusting Jesus that is all

Trusting as the moments fly Trusting as the days go by Trusting Him whate'er befall Trusting Jesus that is all



I Worship You, Almighty God

Maranatha Music, ARR UPB ICS

I worship You, Almighty God,

There is none like You.

I worship You, O Prince of Peace,

That is what I want to do.

I give You praise,

For You are my righteousness.

I worship You, Almighty God,

There is none like You.

I worship You, Almighty God,

There is none like You.

I worship You, O Prince of Peace,

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We Have Come Into His House

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We have come into His house

And gathered in His name

To worship Him.

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And gathered in His name

To worship Him.

We have come into His house

And gathered in His name

To worship Christ the Lord.

Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

Let's forget about ourselves

And magnify His name

And worship Him.

Let's forget about ourselves

And magnify His name

And worship Him.

Let's forget about ourselves

And magnify His name

And worship Christ the Lord.

Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

Let us lift up holy hands

And magnify His name

And worship Him.

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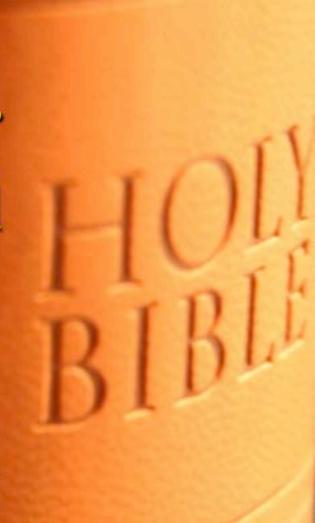


WORSHIP THE LORD IN HIS WORD

Abraham's Sacrifice

Genesis 22:1-14;

Please open your Bibles and read along with me:



Genesis 22:1-14 "And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. 2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. 3

And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. 4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. 5 And Abraham said unto his young men,

Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you. 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. 7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I,

my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? 8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. 9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his

son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. 10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. 11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. 12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest

God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. 14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said

to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen."

Introduction:

This morning's Scripture is probably a familiar one to many of us.

The history of God calling Abraham to sacrifice Isaac is one that is often taught in Sunday School classes.

What does it teach us?

We will remember that God called Abraham to leave his homeland and his family and to travel to the land of Canaan — which would become Israel.

God promised Abraham that he would become a great nation — his would be a promised people, a chosen people, God's people.

And Abraham believes God – Elohim – and took his wife, Sarah, and his possessions and went to the land of Canaan.

Also remember that when Abraham and Sarah got to Canaan, Abraham was in his eighties and Sarah a few years younger, and Sarah was barren they had no children.

And Sarah began to wonder about this promise of God, "We're old and I'm barren.

We have no children.

How will God make a great nation from our children if we don't have children?"

So Sarah approached Abraham and made a suggestion, "I have an Egyptian servant named Hagar, have a child with her to fulfill the promise of God."

And Abraham did, and Hagar bore a son named Ishmael.

But this showed a lack of trust on their part, and when Abraham was ninety-nine years old, God came to him and told him that Ishmael was not the chosen son, but Sarah would bear him the son of promise.

And they laughed - their circumstances were ridiculous they were now older, Sarah was still barren – and that's why they named their child - their son -Isaac, which means "laughter." By the time we reach this

Scripture, Isaac is at least a teenager and possibly older.

He is the one and only child of Abraham and Sarah.

He is the son of promise – the one through whom God promised He would raise up a great nation.

And we're told that God came to test Abraham.

Let us understand, God was not testing Abraham because God didn't know the outcome.

God knew very well what would happen.

God was not commanding Abraham to sin - as awful and severe as this test was - God cannot and did not lead Abraham into sin.

This test was to show Abraham and us something.

I. MOUNTAIN VIEW

II. MOUNTAIN CREST

III. MOUNT OF REJOICING

I. MOUNTAIN VIEW

And God came to Abraham and told him, "Take your son, 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."





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2 Chronicles 3:1 "Then Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem in mount Moriah, where the LORD appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite."



It had been about forty years since God made the promise to Abraham concerning his seed.

Isaac was most likely an older teenager or a young man.

There were no other children.

Abraham must have been devastated to hear what God commanded.

He must have been thoroughly confused by what God had said.

Was God going back on His Promise?

How could Abraham become a great nation if his only son was to be sacrificed?

How could God command that he sacrifice his son, when God forbid His people to sacrifice their children?

"You shall not worship the Lord your God in that way, for every abominable thing that the Lord hates they have done for their gods, for they even burn their sons and their daughters in the fire to their gods" (Deuteronomy 12:31, ESV).

What was going on? But this time Abraham trusted God.

He couldn't have understood; he must have been sweating - his mind racing about the problems this request raised - not to mention the simple fact that he loved his son.

Still, we're told, the next morning, Abraham cut the wood for the sacrifice, he loaded the wood on his donkey, and took two servants and his son, Isaac, whom he loved, brought the fire and headed out for Moriah.

The land of Moriah was a three-day walk from where they were, so for three days, these questions ate away at Abraham.

How can God ask me to do this?

To sacrifice my only son, whom I love?

How can God fulfill His Promise if I sacrifice Isaac, my only son, whom I love?

How can God ask me to sacrifice Isaac, my only son, whom I love, when that goes against God's command?"

For three days, he was plagued with questions.

Still he trusted – though it was not a trust that came lightly.

On the third day, God said stop — they had reached the place where God wanted the sacrifice to occur.

II. MOUNTAIN CREST

And Abraham told the servants to wait at the base of the mountain — that he and the boy would go and worship, and then they would return.

Did you notice that?

Abraham specifically said that they would go up and worship and they would return.

God hadn't told Abraham that, but Abraham knew enough about God to know that God cannot lie, so, somehow, Isaac had to survive the sacrifice.

Even if Abraham had to kill Isaac and have God bring him back to life – somehow, God would not sin – God would not break His Promise.

Abraham and Isaac began the trek up the mountain, and Isaac began to wonder:

Hebrews 11:17 "By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, 18 Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: 19 Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure."

"My father" "Here I am, my son." Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for burnt offering?"

What was Isaac thinking?

We're not told — only that he noticed there was no sacrifice to offer.

And then Abraham makes an amazing confession of faith, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son."

Abraham still didn't know what God was going to do, but he trusted that God would work this out somehow.

Abraham believed that somehow, God would make this impossible request right.

So he told Isaac that God, in His Providence, would provide the sacrifice.

And Isaac accepted his father's answer.

They reached the spot for the sacrifice, and they built the altar, and they laid the wood, and then we are told that Abraham tied up Isaac and placed him on the altar.

Notice the trust Isaac had in his father: Abraham was over a hundred years old; Isaac was at least an older teenager.

It was very unlikely that Abraham could have overpowered Isaac, so what we see is Isaac submit to Abraham's offering him up as a sacrifice.

Surely, Isaac didn't want to die, but he knew something was going on.

John 10:18 "No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

He knew his father was right with God and spoke to God.

So he trusted that what was happening was right — whatever the outcome was to be.

And Abraham took the knife and raised it above Isaac, his son, his only son, whom he loved, ready to

bring it down and kill him and offer him as a sacrifice to Elohim.

The God Who had called him to the land of Canaan and made him the promise that he would become a great nation. Hebrews 11:17 "By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, 18 Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: 19 Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure."

Abraham would have known God's Law, "Whoever takes a human life shall surely be put to death" (Leviticus 24:17, ESV).

It didn't make any sense, but God told him to do it, and Abraham knew God, so he was prepared to do it.

And he raised up the knife, ready to plunge it into his son, his only son, Isaac, whom he loved.

"But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here am I.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing that you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."

The Angel of the Lord called down from heaven and told Abraham not to offer up his son as a sacrifice.





Abraham's faith without the works of obedience would have been a lie, while his work without faith would, in this case, have been a sin. The virtue of this act consisted in the fact that he obeyed God.

Because He knew that Abraham feared God.

This raises some questions:

First, Who is this Angel of the Lord?

And second, is He saying that God didn't know whether or not Abraham feared God?

We can discover Who the Angel of the Lord is by understanding that the word "angel" means "messenger".

The word angel is also applied to humans, and other beings — we have to understand who and what is being referred to by the context.

Here, our understanding is found in the last phrase of verse twelve: "you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."

Who called Abraham to sacrifice Isaac?

God.

Who said, "you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me"?

The Angel of the Lord.

They are one in the same:

In this case, we understand the Angel of the Lord to be God the Son.

So, why is God called "the Angel of the Lord" here, instead of just "God"?

There are a few times in the Old Testament where we see the Persons of God – Father, Son, and Spirit.

There are times when the context leads us to understand that God in the Person of the Son is being referred to - the theologians call this a "theophany."

This signifies a pre-Incarnate appearance of the Son.

In other words, there were a few times when the Son appears on earth before the Incarnation – before He took on human flesh.

This is understood to be one of those cases.

Here, we understand the Angel of the Lord to be God the Son. So, what did He mean by saying, "now I know that you fear God"?

Well, it cannot mean that God was ignorant of whether or not Abraham feared Him.

God is all-knowing, (OMNISCIENCENT) so that cannot be what this means.

James 2:21 "Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? 22 You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; 23 and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"—and he was called a friend of God. 24 You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone."

The language that is used is not meant to suggest that God didn't know Abraham; it is a condescension in language to help us understand what God proved through His actions.

III. Mount Of Rejoicing

Surely Abraham – and Isaac – were rejoicing.

Abraham took his son off of the altar and noticed a ram caught in the thicket by its horns.

And they took the ram and they offered him up in worship to God instead of Isaac.

Now something had been made very clear to both Abraham and Isaac and it caused them to offer up the sacrifice and proclaim the worth of God.

What did they learn?

What was made crystal clear to them?

What did Abraham name that place?
Jehovahjireh: "The Lord will provide."

Abraham and Isaac now knew without a doubt that God will provide whatever is necessary to carry out God's Will.

Do you believe that God will provide for you?

Do you believe God's Promise that He will provide everything that you and I need and everything that is necessary to accomplish His Will?

There will be plenty of times perhaps more often than not — when we look at our circumstances, at our health, at the economy, at our neighbors, and think, "It's over, there's nothing left, there's nothing we can do."

But God says, Matthew 6:33 "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Follow Me in faith, obediently, trusting in Me, and I will provide.

How will you and I get from point A to point B? What will the future bring?

Jesus said, "Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6:24, ESV).

Is Jesus telling us to never think about the future?

To never plan ahead?

No.

What He is saying is we ought not to worry about the future.

We ought to trust Him.

We ought to do what He has called us to do today, believing that God will provide for us.

And when we get to tomorrow, we ought to do what He has called us to do tomorrow, believing that God will provide for us.

Abraham didn't know how God was going to work out His command for him to sacrifice his son and still keep His promise to make him a great nation.

But Abraham trusted for the day.

He was obedient for the day.

He believed that God would provide for that day.

And God proved his faith.

Will you believe Him for today?

Let us understand one other thing this morning: the call on Abraham to sacrifice his only son, Isaac, whom he loved, is a picture of how God would redeem His people.

God would, one day, provide the Lamb of Sacrifice, in the Person of His Only Son.

His Beloved Son, God would not withhold a horrible death from His Son, but carry it through to the fullest, because no other Sacrifice could pay the debt for sin and credit His Righteousness to us.

John the Baptist said, John 1:29 "The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

And Jesus said, John 3:16-18 (ESV) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should

not perish, but have everlasting life. 17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. 18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

God planned from before the creation to provide the Lamb of His Only Son to be the salvation of all those who will believe in Him.

If God was willing to do that, can we not also believe that God will provide everything we need, for this day, and for eternity?

Abraham and Isaac learned that lesson.

May God be pleased to give us that same assurance as He leads us in faith, trust, and obedience. 1 Peter 1:7 "That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:"

INVITATION

Worship in Song

Trust And Obey

When we walk with the Lord

In the light of His word,

What a glory He sheds on our way!

While we do His good will

He abides with us still,

And with all who will

Trust and obey.

Trust and obey,

For there's no other way

To be happy in Jesus,

But to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise,

Not a cloud in the skies,

But His smile

Quickly drives it away;

Not a doubt nor a fear,

Not a sigh nor a tear,

Can abide while we

Trust and obey.

Trust and obey,

For there's no other way

To be happy in Jesus,

But to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear,

Not a sorrow we share,

But our toil

He doth richly repay;

Not a grief nor a loss,

Not a frown nor a cross,

But is blest if we

Trust and obey.

Trust and obey,

For there's no other way

To be happy in Jesus,

But to trust and obey.

But we never can prove

The delights of His love

Until all on the altar we lay;

For the favor He shows

And the joy He bestows

Are for them who will

Trust and obey.

Trust and obey,

For there's no other way

To be happy in Jesus,

But to trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet

We will sit at His feet,

Or we'll walk by His side

In the way;

What He says we will do,

Where he sends we will go -

Never fear, only

Trust and obey.

Trust and obey,

For there's no other way

To be happy in Jesus,

But to trust and obey.

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