

# HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND WHEN OUR FAITH IS TESTED?

## Lessons from the Testing of Abraham

### Genesis 22:1-24

- I. **REALIZE TESTING WILL COME (1-2, Hebrews 11:17)**
  
- II. **LEARN FROM ABRAHAM'S RESPONSE OF OBEDIENT FAITH (3-10, Hebrews 11:17-19a)**
  - A. **Abraham's faith manifest in obeying** the Lord's command (3-4, 5-10, 11, Hebrews 11:17)
  
  - B. **Abraham's faith manifest in worship** of the Lord (5)
  
  - C. Abraham's obedience and worship was **based on an absolute confidence in the Lord and His Word** (5b-10, Hebrews 11:17-19)
  
- III. **BE ENCOURAGED BY THE BLESSED RESULTS ABRAHAM'S OBEDIENT FAITH** in not withholding his only son, but obeying the Lord's voice (11-24)
  - A. *Because of his obedience, he was* **blessed with the Lord's assurance** (11-12)
  
  - B. *Because of his obedience, he was* **blessed with the Lord's provision, foreshadowing His ultimate provision in Christ** (13-14, Hebrews 11:19b)
  
  - C. *Because of his obedience, he was* **blessed as the Lord affirmed His tremendous promises** (15-19)
  
  - D. **Abraham is blessed with the knowledge of his brothers offspring** and we are blessed with the knowledge of the Lord's future provision for Isaac (i.e. Rebekah) (20-24)