

# Now I Know

Genesis 22: 1-19



Blessed  
Chinese  
New  
Year!

识主更广  
爱神更深  
事主更强

From the fullness  
of his grace we have  
all received one blessing  
after another. John 1 :16







# Genesis 22:1-19

1 Some time later God **tested Abraham**. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied.

2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—**Isaac**—and go to the region of Moriah. **Sacrifice him** there as **a burnt offering** on a mountain I will show you."

3 **Early the next morning** Abraham got up and **loaded his donkey**. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When **he had cut enough wood** for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about.

4 On **the third day** Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance.

5 He said to his servants, "**Stay here** with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. **We** will **worship** and then **we will come back** to you."

# Genesis 22:1-19

6 Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the **fire** and the **knife**. As the two of them went on together,

7 Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?" "Yes, my son?"

Abraham replied. "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but **where is the lamb** for the burnt offering?"

8 Abraham answered, "**God himself will provide the lamb** for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

9 When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham **built an altar** there and arranged the wood on it. **He bound his son Isaac** and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.

# Genesis 22:1-19

10 Then he reached out his hand and **took the knife to slay his son.**

11 But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "**Abraham! Abraham!**" "Here I am," he replied.

12 "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said.

"Do not do anything to him. **Now I know** that you **fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son.**"

13 Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and **took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of** his son.

14 So Abraham called that place **The LORD Will Provide.** And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided."

# Genesis 22:1-19

15 The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time

16 and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, **that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son,**

17 I will surely **bless you** and make your descendants **as numerous as** the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies,

18 and **through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."**

19 Then Abraham returned to his servants, and they set off together for Beersheba. And Abraham stayed in Beersheba.



# SACRIFICE

- ▶ Take your son, your only son, whom you love, Isaac, ..... as a burnt offering...

- God abhors child sacrifice

- Lev 18:21

- Jer 7:30-34, Eze 20:31

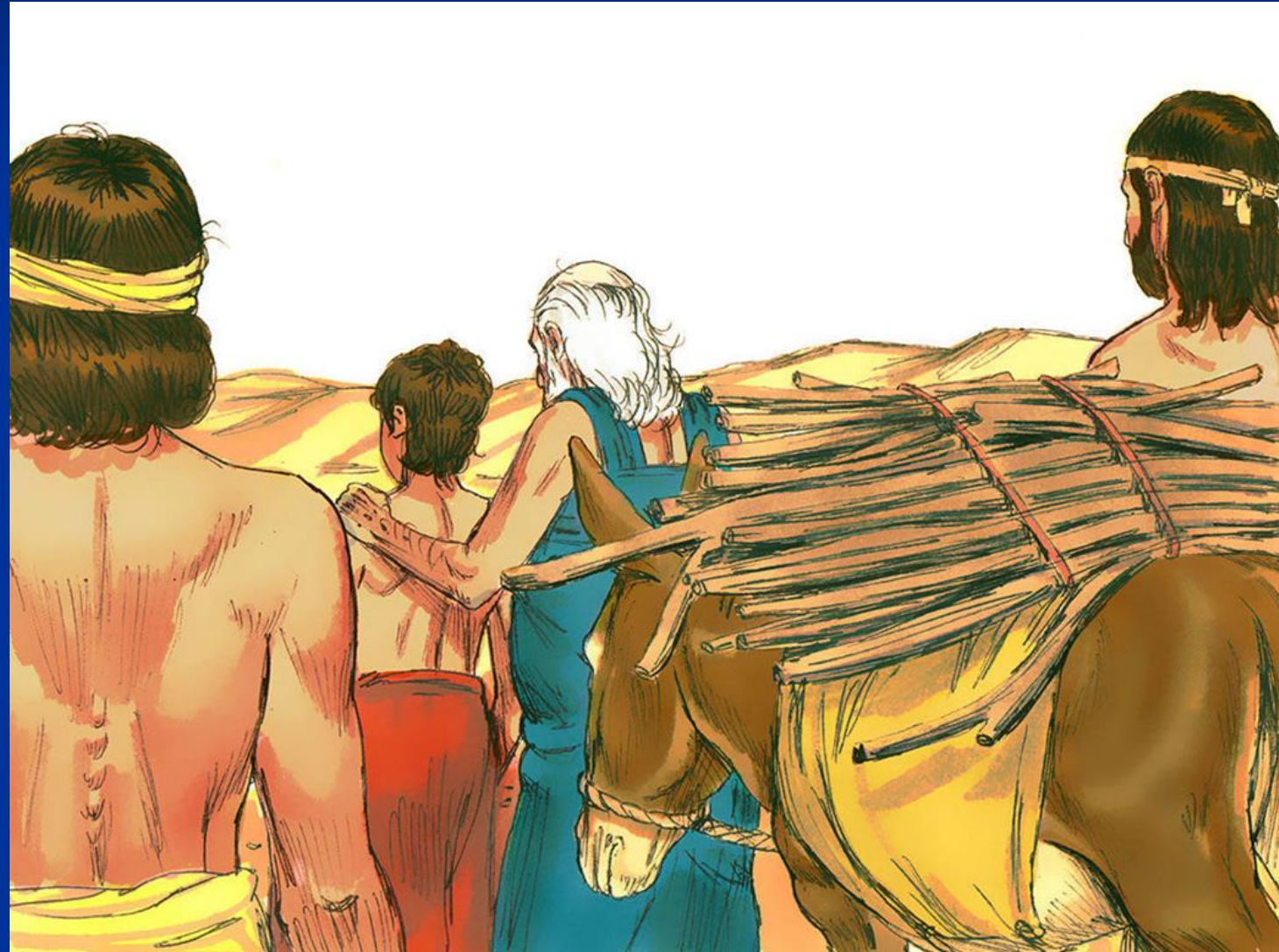
- What would Sarah think ?





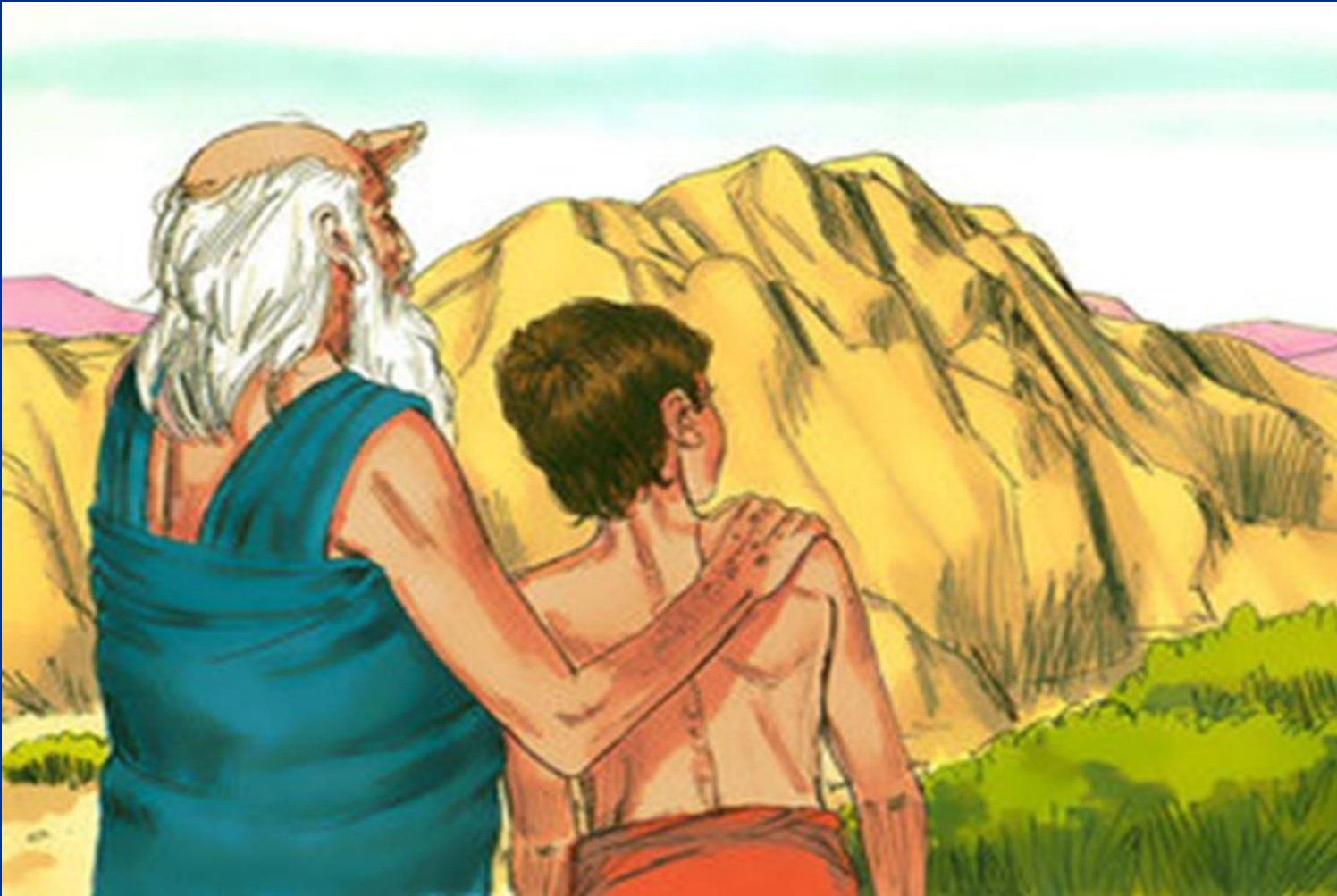
# SACRIFICE

- Early. Wood. Fire. Knife. Foods. Isaac. Servants.



# SACRIFICE

► On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day





# SUBSTITUTE

- ▶ We will worship. We will be back.
- ▶ Wood. Fire. Knife.



# SUBSTITUTE

► Where is the lamb ?



"God himself will provide."



# SUBMISSION

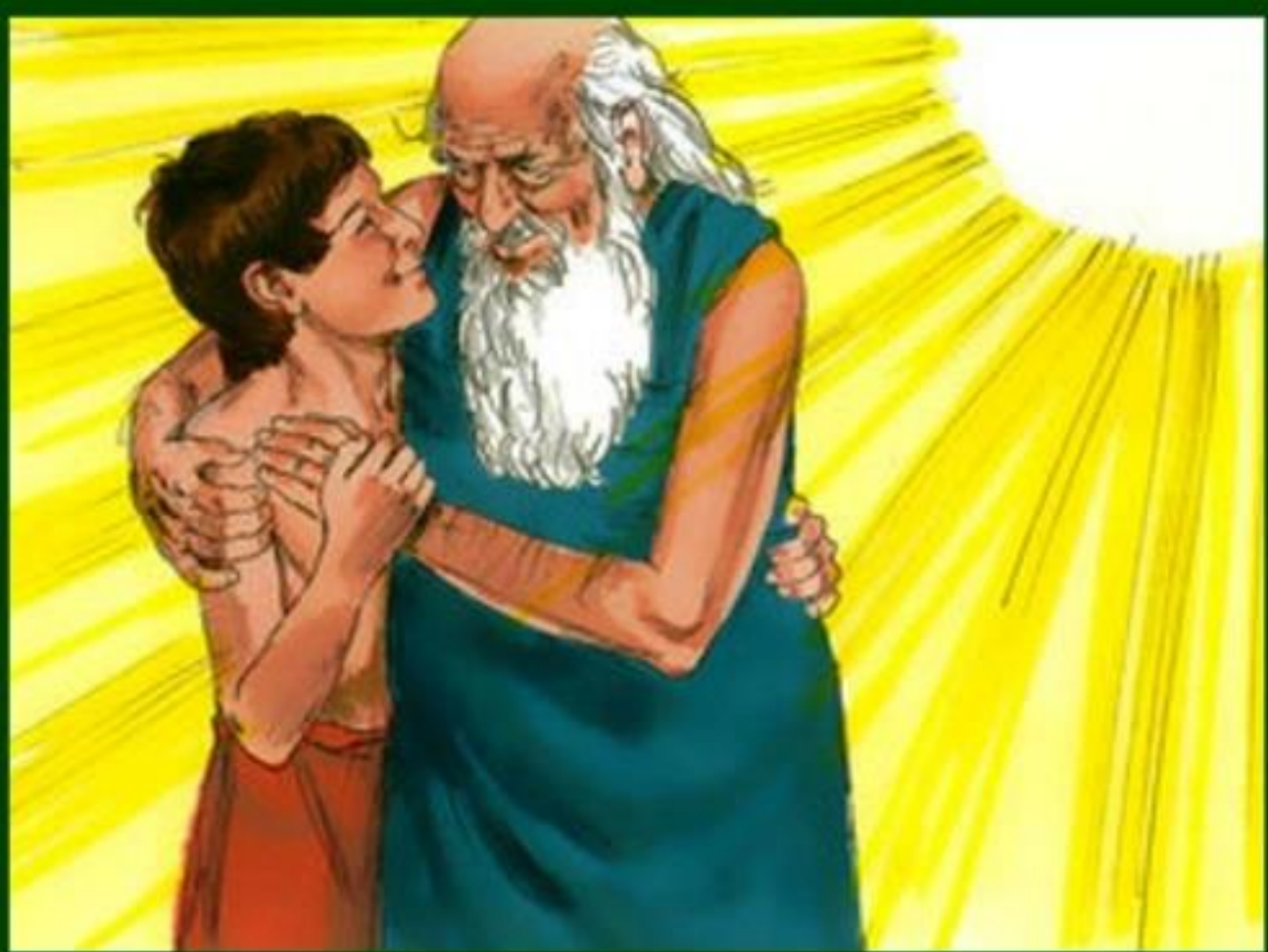
# NOW I KNOW



The LORD  
Will Provide







Hebrews 11:17, 19 - "By faith Abraham, when God tested him, **offered Isaac as a sacrifice. .. was about to sacrifice his one and only son, .. Abraham reasoned that God could even raise the dead**, and so in a manner of speaking he did receive Isaac back from death."



# SUBMISSION

"... because you have done this

and have not withheld your son, your only son,

I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars  
in the sky and as the sand on the seashore.

... and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed,  
because you have obeyed me."

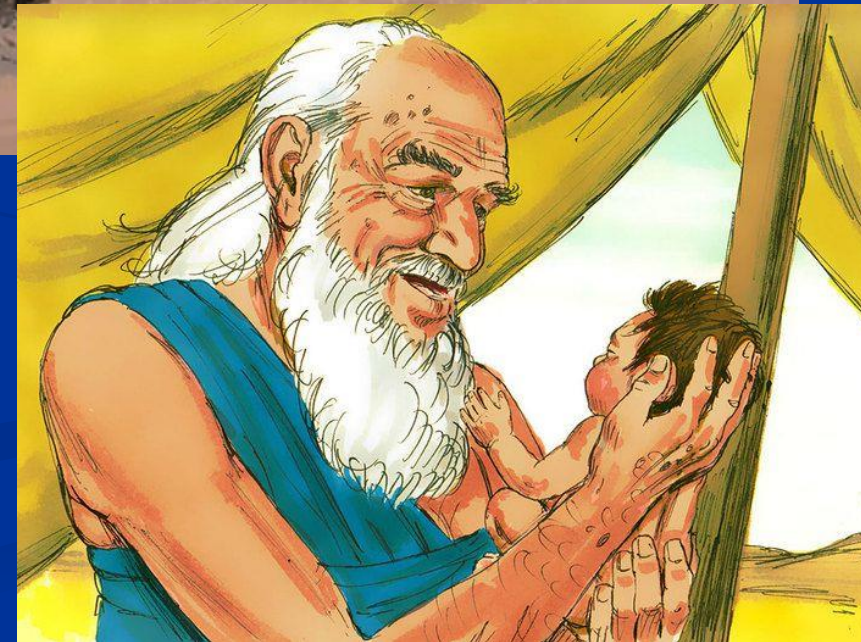


# SUBMISSION

The Lord Had Said To  
Abram, “Leave Your  
Country, Your People And  
Your Father’s Household  
And Go To The Land I Will  
Show You.

Genesis 12-1

Bible





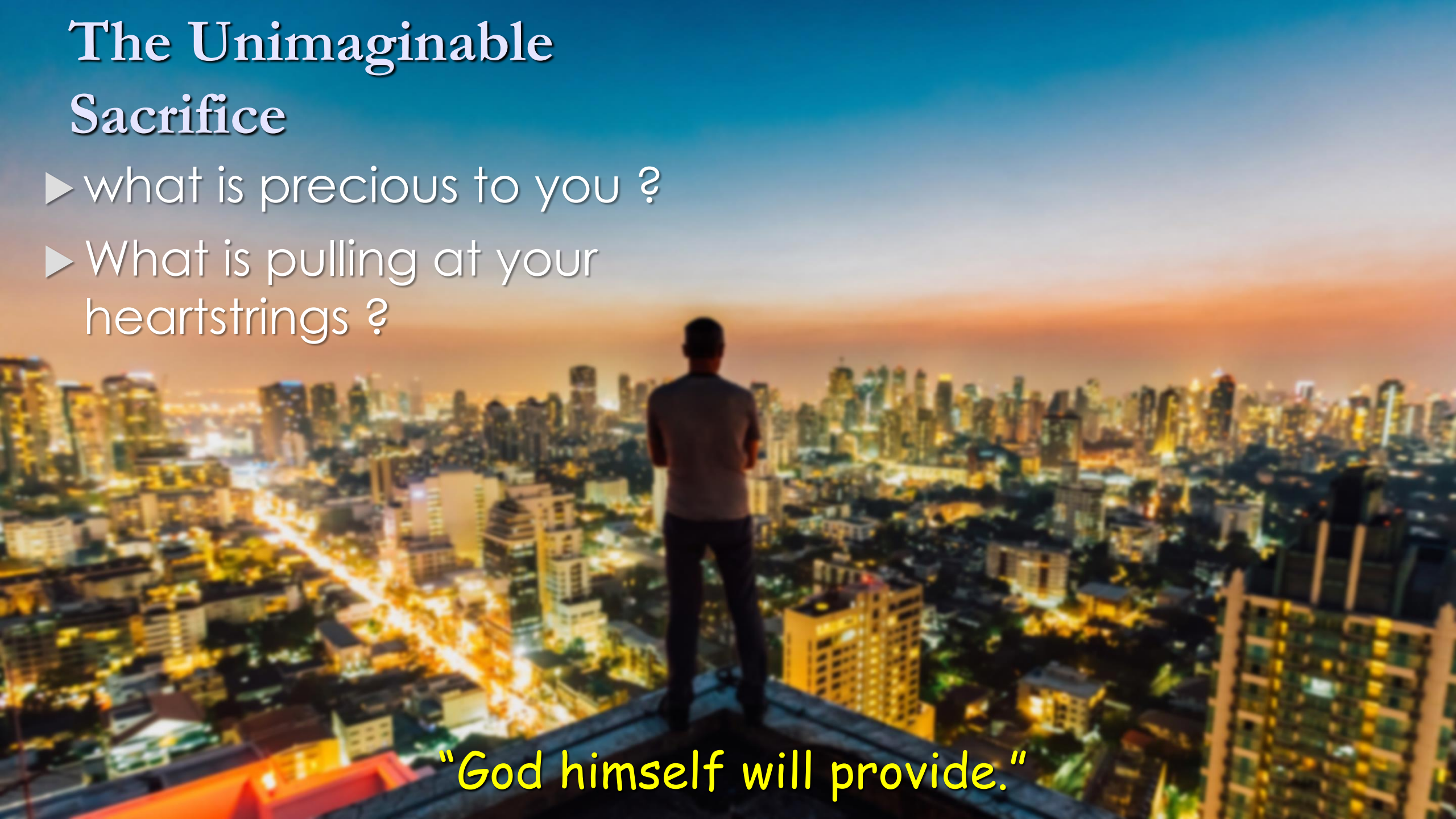
The Unquestionable  
Submission

FAITH  
*journey*



# The Unimaginable Sacrifice

- ▶ what is precious to you ?
- ▶ What is pulling at your heartstrings ?

A person is seen from behind, standing on the edge of a rooftop. They are looking out over a vast, densely packed city at night. The city is illuminated with numerous lights from buildings and streets, creating a warm, golden glow. The sky above the city is a deep blue with a hint of orange from the setting or rising sun. The person is wearing a light-colored t-shirt and dark pants. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

"God himself will provide."



# The Ultimate Substitute

## ► Jesus, the Lamb of God

For God so loved the world, He gave His One and Only Son....

"He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all — how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"

Romans 8:32

**Now I Know**

**The Ultimate Substitute**

**The Unimaginable  
Sacrifice**

**The Unquestionable  
Submission**







# Now I Know Living Sacrifices

“Here I am.”

“... in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a **living sacrifice**, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper **worship**. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—**his good, pleasing and perfect will.**” - Romans 12:1-2