

# 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

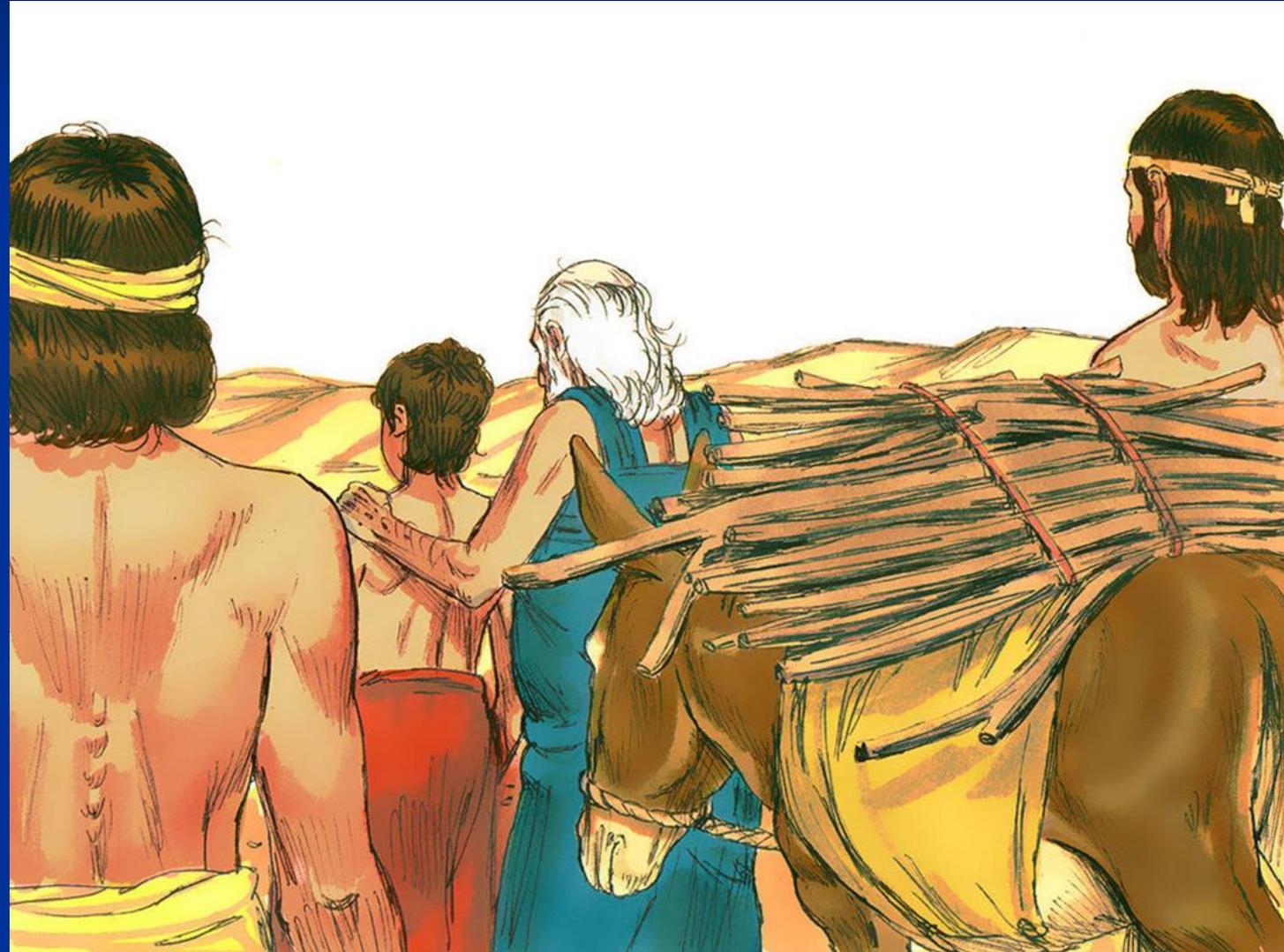
■ Jer 7:30-34, Eze 20:31

■ What would Sarah think ?



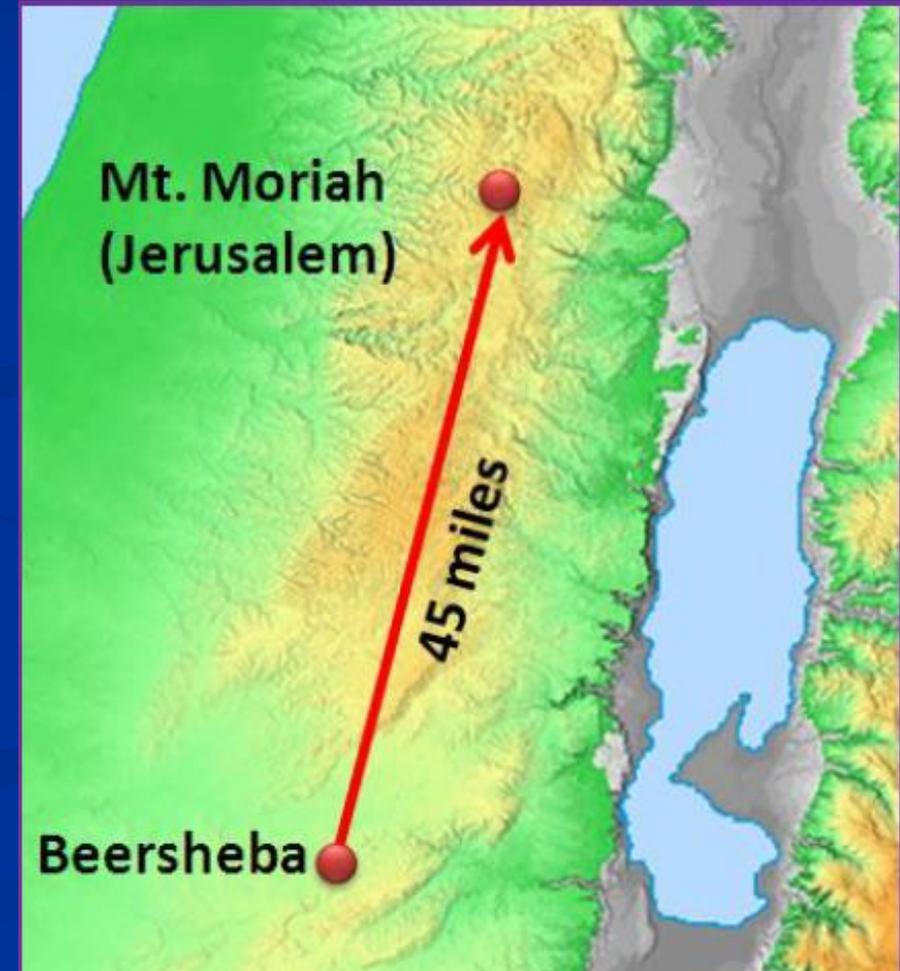
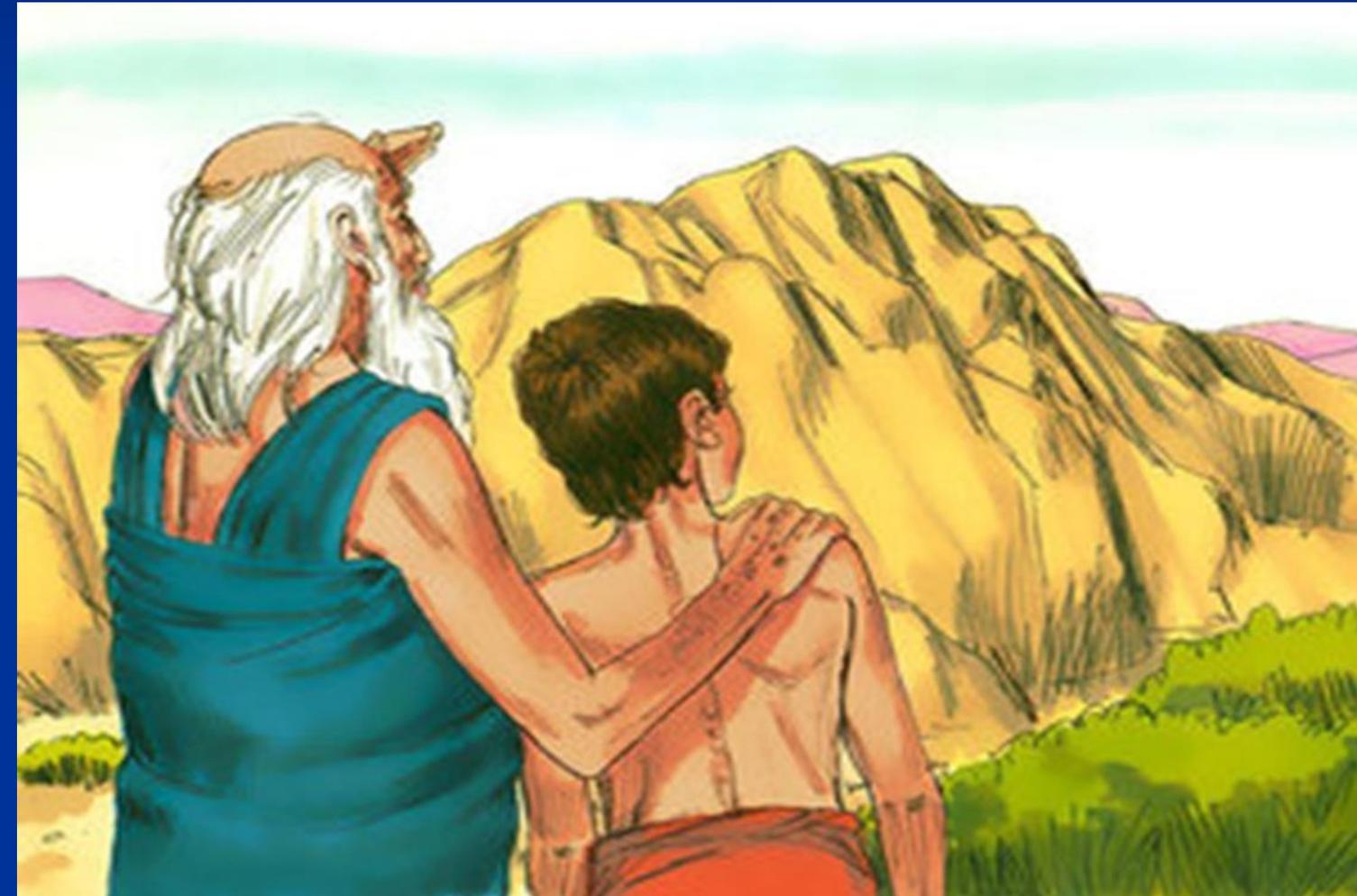
# SACRIFICE

- ▶ 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 ?



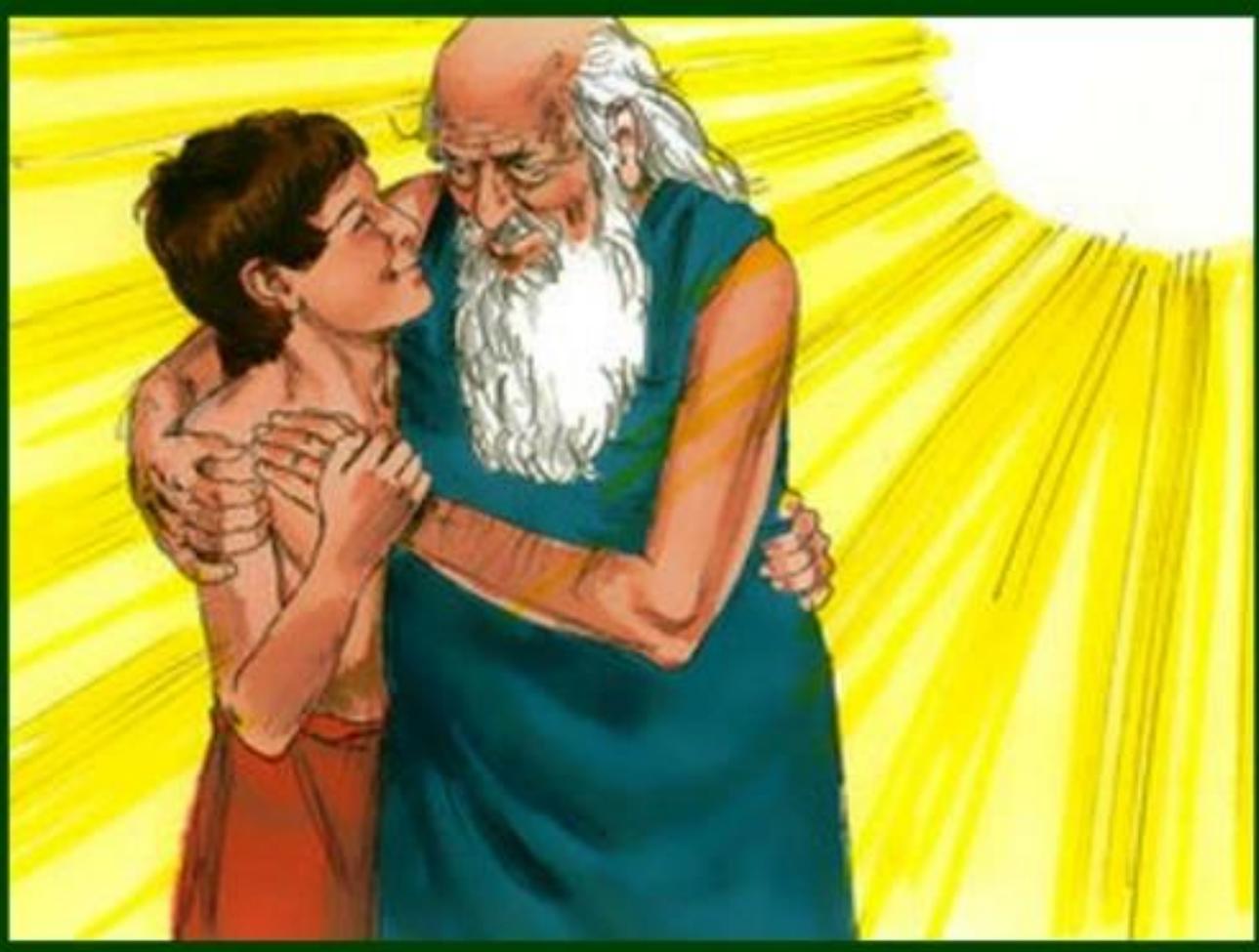
"God himself will provide."

# 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.

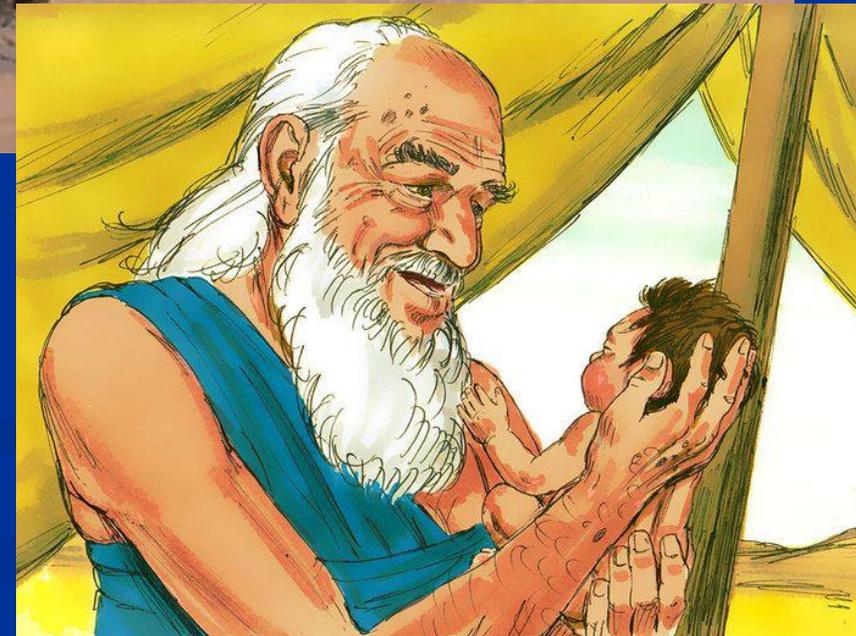
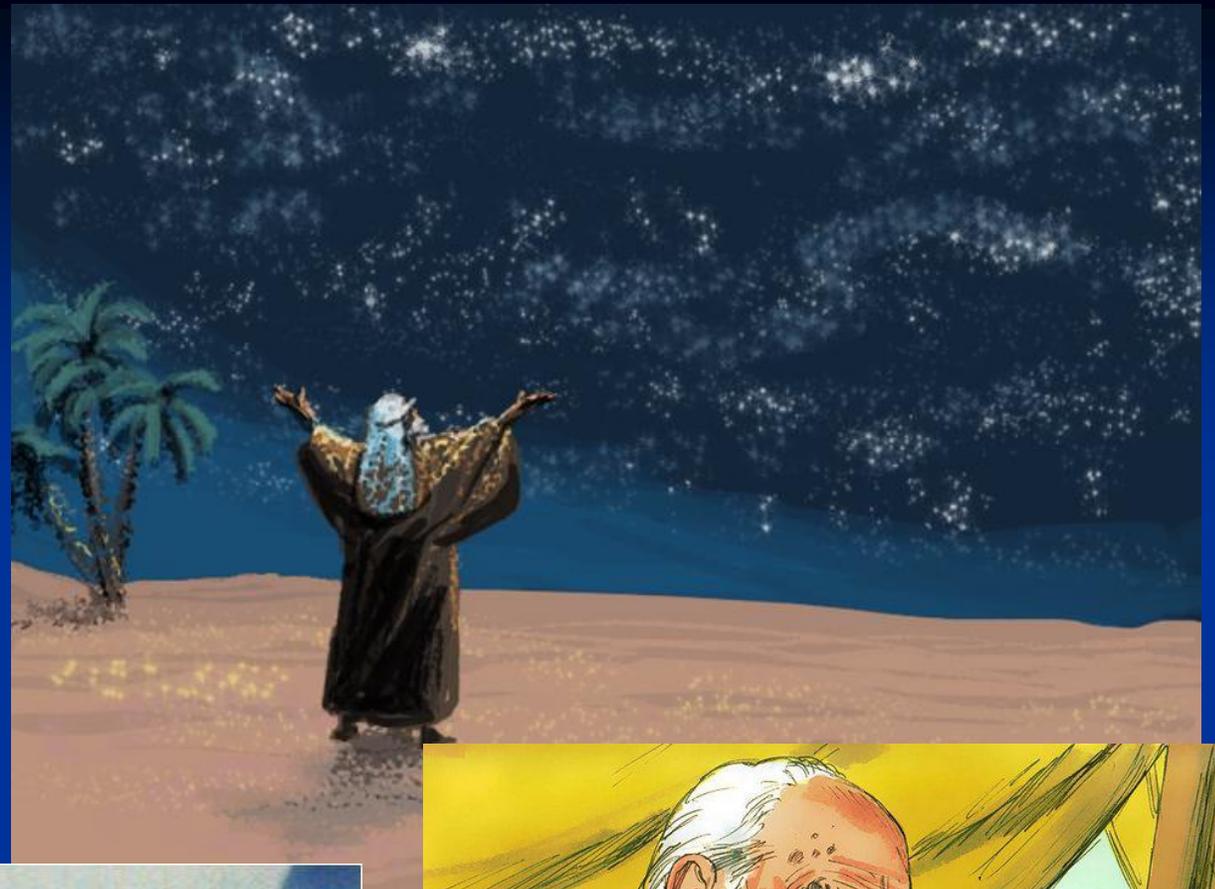
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# SUBMISSION

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



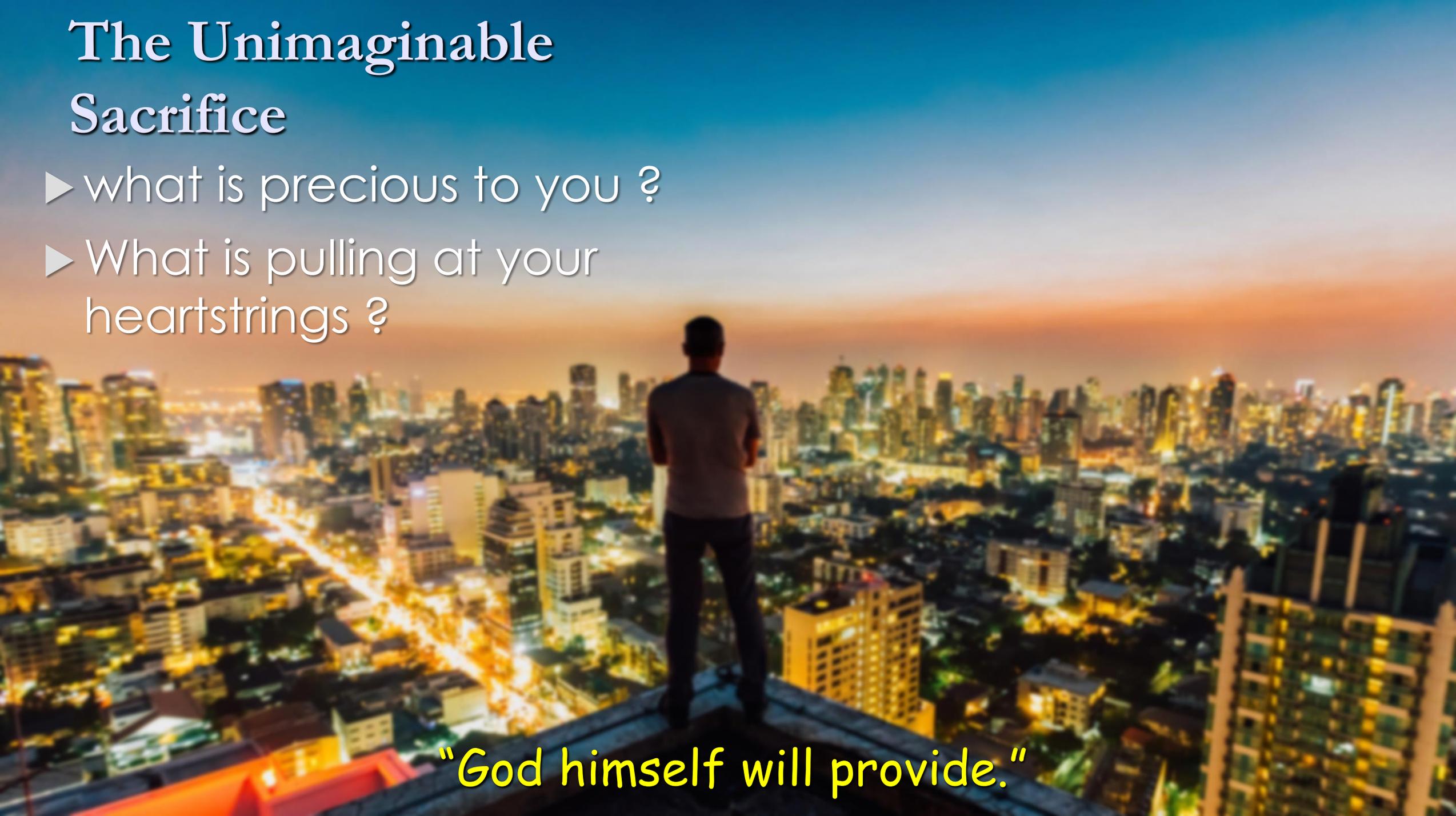
The Unquestionable  
Submission

FAITH  
*journey*

# The Unimaginable Sacrifice

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

"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