Journal Page

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why do you think God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son?
- Why do you think Abraham was willing to give up his son? (See Hebrews 11:17-19.)
- How did God show His love for us?

Abraham and Isaac

Genesis 22

STORY POINT: ABRAHAM TRUSTED GOD EVEN WHEN HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND GOD'S PLAN.

God kept His promise to give Abraham a son. Abraham and his wife Sarah were very old when their son Isaac was born. One day, God tested Abraham. God wanted to make sure that Abraham loved God most of all.

"Take your son Isaac to the mountain and give him to Me as a sacrifice," God said.

Abraham obeyed God. He got up early the next day and left with Isaac, two servants, and a donkey carrying supplies. They walked for three days before they got to the mountain where God wanted Abraham to make the sacrifice. Abraham and Isaac went up the mountain with the supplies for the sacrifice.

Isaac saw something was missing. "My father," he said, "where is the lamb for the offering?" Abraham answered, "God will provide the lamb."

When they got to the place God had directed them, Abraham built an altar. Just as Abraham was about to sacrifice Isaac, the angel of the LORD called out, "Abraham, Abraham!"

Abraham stopped. The angel of the LORD said, "Do not lay a hand on the boy or do anything to him. For now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your only son from Me."

Abraham looked up and saw a ram trapped by its horns in the bushes. He offered to God the ram instead of Isaac.

Christ Connection: Abraham showed his love for God by being willing to sacrifice his son Isaac. God provided a ram instead. This is how God showed His love for us: He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross so that we could have eternal life through Him.

Put to the Test Story Stack Fill in the puzzle using the words provided. We've added some letters to get you started. Rearrange the planks for the story point and write the phrases in the space below. **6 letters** 3 letters 4 letters 5 letters 8 letters God lamb altar donkey covenant even when ram life angel family mountain Lord Isaac son God's plan 7 letters 9 letters wood Jesus Sarah obedience Abraham God sacrifice promise provide Abraham understand D trusted he did M 13 15

