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## *Genesis 22:1-18*

### **Genesis 22**

<sup>1</sup>Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!”

“Here I am,” he replied.

<sup>2</sup>Then God said, “Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about.”

<sup>3</sup>Early the next morning Abraham got up and saddled 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. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. <sup>5</sup>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.”

<sup>6</sup>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, <sup>7</sup>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?”

<sup>8</sup>Abraham answered, “God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.” And the two of them went on together.

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, “Abraham! Abraham!”

“Here I am,” he replied.

<sup>12</sup>“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.”

<sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>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.”

<sup>15</sup>The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time <sup>16</sup>and said, “I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup>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, <sup>18</sup>and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me.”



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POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	QUESTIONS
5		1.) What did God tell Abraham to do with Isaac? (Verse 2)
5		2.) Did Abraham obey? If so, how?
5		3.) What did the angel of the Lord say to Abraham? (Verse 12)
5		4.) Why do you think God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son?

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	MEMORY VERSE
10		"and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me." Genesis 22:18

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	HOME CONNECTION	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
5		<i>I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.</i>	
5		<i>I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.</i>	
10		<i>I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.</i>	

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION
	LEADER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE ___/___/___

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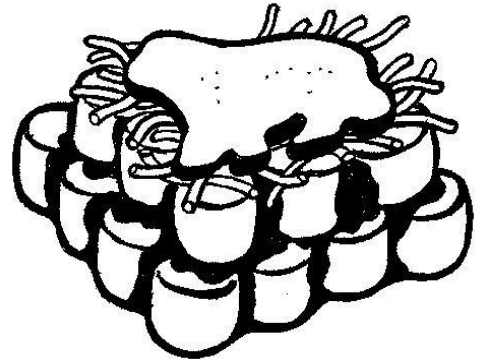
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### CRAFT/ACTIVITY: MARSHMALLOW ALTARS

Using marshmallows as stones, and peanut butter as mortar, have students build altars to remind them of how God provided a sacrifice for Abraham. Have students place a gummy bear or animal cracker on top to represent the ram that took Isaac's place on the altar. **Allergy Note:** Some children may be allergic to peanuts. Touching peanuts or peanut butter can cause a reaction for some children.

#### MATERIALS

1. Marshmallows
2. Peanut butter
3. Plastic knives or Popsicle sticks
4. 5 oz. disposable cups
5. Gummy bears or animal crackers
6. Chinese fried noodles
7. Small paper plates



#### DIRECTIONS

1. Pass out a small handful of mini marshmallows to each student.
2. Pass out a small paper plate to build the "altars" on.
3. Place small amounts of peanut butter in 5 oz. disposable cups. (Students may share a cup of peanut butter with a partner or small group)
4. Distribute a plastic knife or Popsicle stick to each student to use when spreading the mortar (peanut butter) on the bricks (marshmallows).
5. Pass out a few Chinese fried noodles to each student to represent the wood on the altar.
6. Demonstrate how to smear a small amount of peanut butter on the marshmallows and stick them together.

#### FOR DISCUSSION

As students are building their "altars" discuss how Abraham trusted in God even though it required him to nearly sacrifice his own son. Discuss how God provided a substitute, the ram, to take the place for his son. Help students realize that God provided a perfect sacrifice for US through his son Jesus. We are not required to pay for our sins if we receive Christ as our savior. The ram in the story took Isaac's place. Jesus took our place and took on our sin that we might have a personal relationship with Him. Romans 6:23 tells us that "... the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Jesus is the perfect lamb that was slain.

**TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE:** Approximately 25 minutes

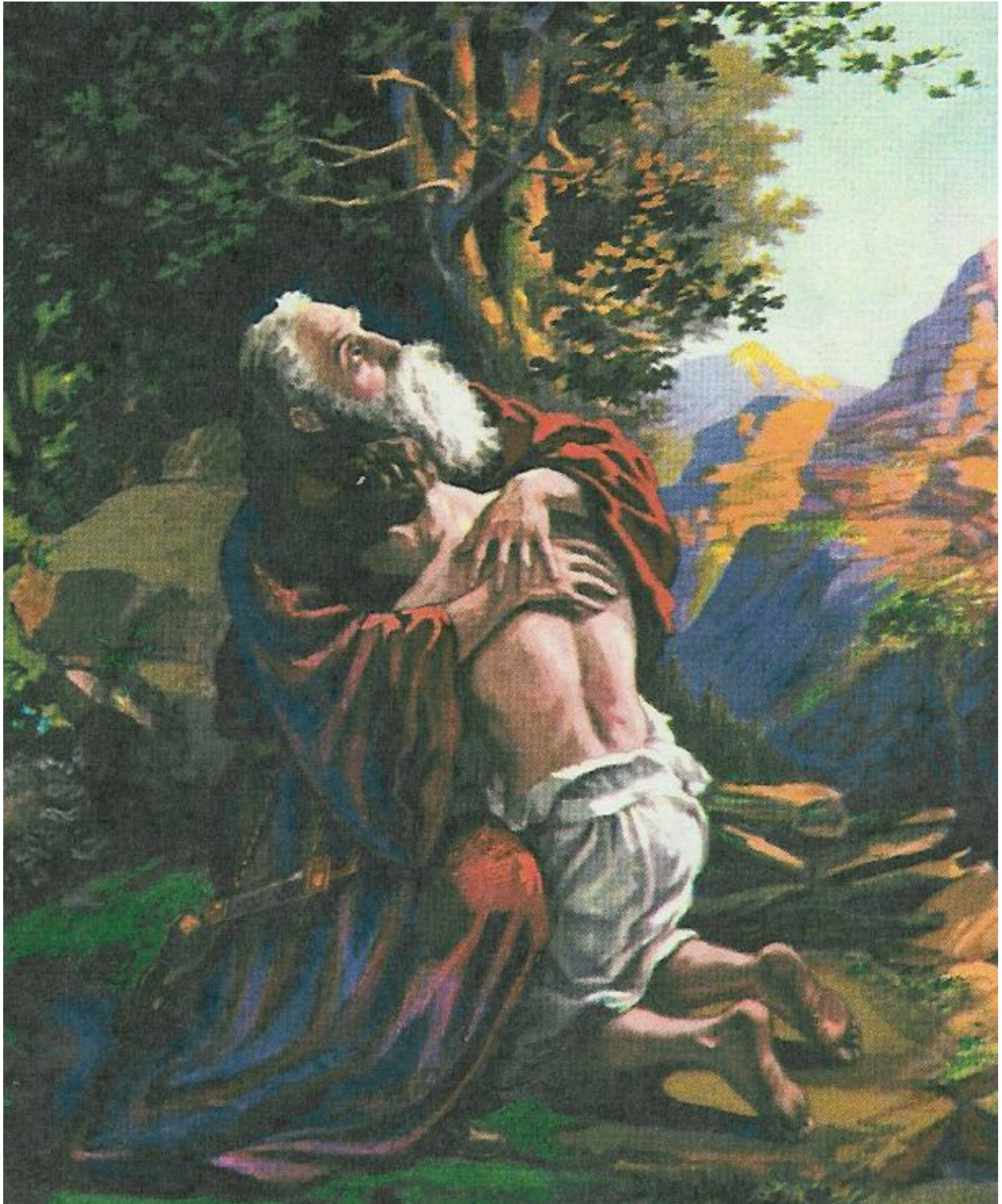
#### MEMORY VERSE

*"and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me." Genesis 22:18*



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*Abraham was about to sacrifice his own son*

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**Starting at #1, connect the dots to see the picture.**



**God promised that Abraham would have many descendants. But Abraham and Sarah did not believe they could have a baby because they were too old. God kept his promise and gave them a baby boy.**

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Abraham was going to follow God's command and offer his son, Isaac, as a burnt offering. Write the letter that comes after the letter given to see what an angel of the Lord said to Abraham. Read the story in Genesis 22:1-13.

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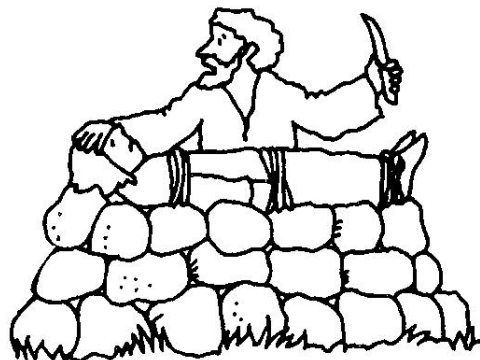
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The Lord changed Abram's name to Abraham which means "father of many."

When Abraham was 100 years old, he became the father of Isaac.

Abraham loved his son Isaac very much. One day God said to Abraham, "Take your

son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and sacrifice him as a burnt offering."

Abraham did not want his son to die, but he wanted to obey God. Early in the morning, Abraham saddled his donkey. He took along his son Isaac and two of his servants.

When they had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, they set out for the place God had told Abraham about.

Abraham carried the fire and the knife while Isaac carried the wood.

As they were walking, Isaac asked Abraham, "Where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

"God will provide the lamb," Abraham said.

Abraham built an altar and placed the wood on top. He tied up his son Isaac and laid him on the altar. Abraham was about to kill his own son with a knife. Just then, an angel of the Lord called out to him, "Abraham, Abraham, do not lay a hand on the boy. Now I know that you fear God."

When Abraham looked up, he saw a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. He sacrificed the ram instead of his son.

God was pleased that Abraham was willing to obey Him even if it meant that his son might die.

For more details, please read Genesis 22:1-18 in the Bible.

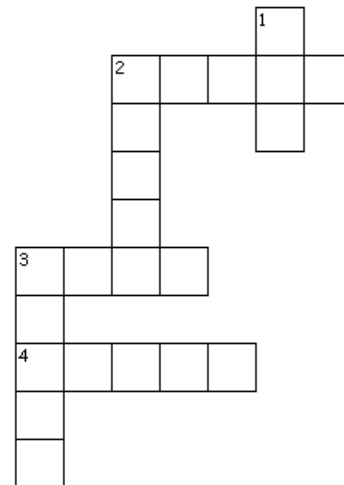
## QUESTIONS

1. What was the name of Abraham's son?
2. What did God want Abraham to do?
3. What happened right before Abraham was about to kill his son?
4. Why do you think God asked Abraham to kill his own son?

## MEMORY VERSE

"and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me." Genesis 22:18

## CROSSWORD



### Across

2. A pile of stones for burning sacrifices
3. What Abraham was going to do to Isaac
4. Abraham's son

### Down

1. This was caught in the thicket
2. Told Abraham not to kill Isaac
3. What Abraham was going to kill Isaac with

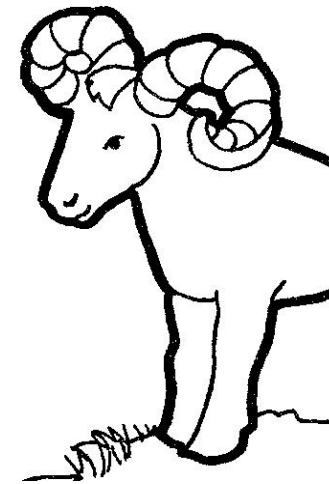
## Ideas For Home:

Today your child learned how God provided a ram to take the place of Abraham's son Isaac.

1. Have your child finish coloring this book.
2. Help your child learn the *Memory Verse*.
3. Practice the *Bible Story Rhyme*.
4. Read and discuss the bible story with your child.
5. Discuss how Jesus was like the ram in the story. Jesus sacrificed himself for our sin. The ram took the place of Isaac on the altar.

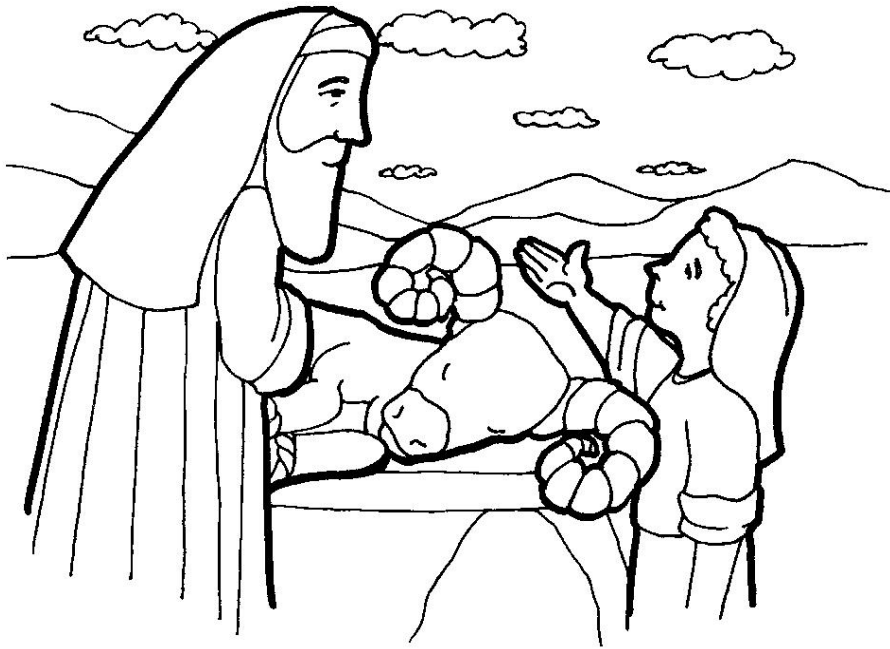
Bible Story Mini Book

# Isaac



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God showed Abraham a ram caught in some bushes. Abraham burned the ram instead.



Abraham had a baby named Isaac when he was very old.

## Memory Verse

“...you have obeyed me.”  
Genesis 22:18

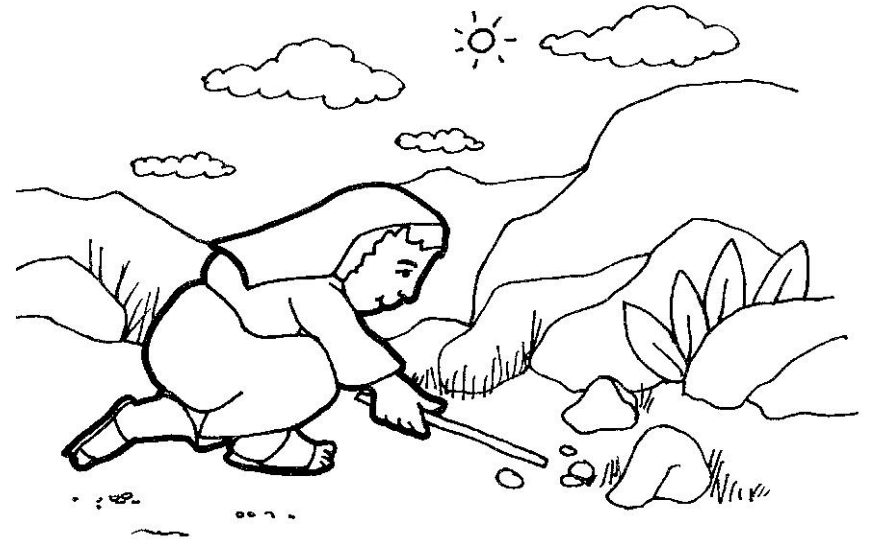
## Bible Story Rhyme

**God put Abram to the test,**  
*(Point to heaven)*

**Who did Abram love the best?**  
*(Hands held palms up then cross arms  
over chest)*

**Isaac lay there almost dead,**  
*(Lay head on folded hands)*

**God showed Abram a ram instead.**  
*(Hold thumbs to head, pinkies up, all  
other fingers down)*



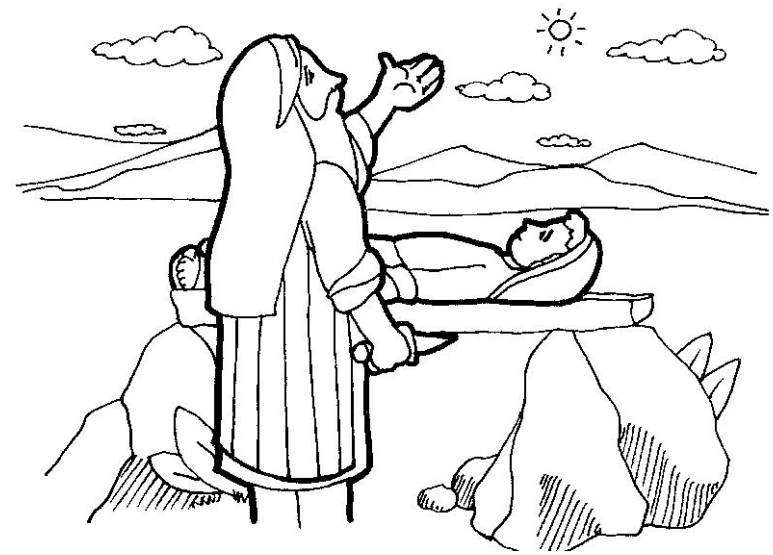
**Abraham told Isaac to get  
sticks for a burnt  
offering.**

## Have You Ever Sinned?

The Bible teaches that we have *all* sinned and do not measure up to God's glory. It also teaches that the price for sin is death which separates us from God. But even though we are sinners, Christ died for us and paid the price for our sin. We just need to ask him to forgive us and receive his free gift of salvation. Just pray this prayer, with a sincere heart, and Jesus will forgive you of your sins. You will become a child of God and live with Him in heaven.

*“Dear Jesus,*

*Please forgive me for the bad things that I have done. Please come into my heart and be my Lord and savior. In your name I pray, Amen.”*



God told Abraham to put his son Isaac on the altar for the burnt offering. Abraham obeyed God.

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## PRESCHOOL GAME

**Supplies:** none

**S**ay: We're going to play a running game called *Ram in the Thicket*. One of you will be chosen to run to the other team's line and break through it. If you get stuck, like the ram in our story, you must join that team. If you break through, you may go back to your own team.

Divide the class into two groups and have them line up in two single file lines on either end of the classroom (not too close to the walls). Team members hold hands. Teams should be facing each other. This game is like *Red Rover*. One team will start by saying to the other, "**Abraham, Abraham, send us a ram. Please send [name of child on other team] as fast as you can.**" The child runs and tries to break through the arms of the other team. If successful, he/she may rejoin his/her own team. Otherwise, he/she joins the opposing team. Play until there is only one person left on the team.

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## PRESCHOOL BIBLE STORY RHYME



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