

Study Guide on Genesis 22:1-14

New Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Genesis 22:1-14

(Genesis 22:1) After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.”

(Genesis 22:2) He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.”

(Genesis 22:3) So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him.

(Genesis 22:4) On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away.

(Genesis 22:5) Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.”

(Genesis 22:6) Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together.

(Genesis 22:7) Isaac said to his father Abraham, “Father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?”

(Genesis 22:8) Abraham said, “God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So the two of them walked on together.

(Genesis 22:9) When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.

(Genesis 22:10) Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son.

(Genesis 22:11) But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.”

(Genesis 22:12) He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.”

(Genesis 22:13) And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.

(Genesis 22:14) So Abraham called that place “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?