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**The Testing**

*Will you Surrender What is Most Precious to You?*

(Genesis 21-22)

*Enjoy remarkable gifts from God* (Gen 21:1-7)

* The Lord is trustworthy
* The Lord is good

**Romans 4:17**

as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

*Handle challenges as they arise* (Gen 21:8-21)

* The Lord guides
* The Lord provides

*Boldly walk through traumatic tests of faith* (Gen 22:1-19)

**Luke 14:26-27**

26“If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. 27Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

* Trust in the sovereignty of God’s promises

**Hebrews 11:17-19**

17By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, 18of whom it was said, “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” 19He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.

**2 Chronicles 3:1**​

Then Solomon began to build the house of the Lord in Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the Lord had appeared to David his father

* Trust in the unexpected generosity of God’s provision

**Romans 8:32**​

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

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