

The Obedience of Faith

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Oakbrook Community Church (PCA)

Genesis 22:1-19; Habakkuk 2:4

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1. Expect Tests from God (1-2)

Abraham was tested:

1. Family test - 11:27-12:5
2. Famine - 12:10-13:14
3. Fellowship test - 14:5-18
4. Battle Test - 14:1-16
5. Money Test - 14:17-24
6. Trust God for Fatherhood (failed) Gen 16
7. Farewell test - 21:14-21

What is your test? Jms 1:12-16; 1 Cor 10:13

Distinguish between trials & temptations

Lot NEVER faced Abraham's tests:

1 Jn 2:16; 1 Pt 1:6-7

2. Focus on Promises, not explanations (3-5)

God's trial seemed unreasonable in worldly terms, why do they come?

- A. To purify our faith 1 Pet 1:6-9
- B. To perfect our character James 1:2-4
- C. To protect us from sin 2 Cor 12:7

3. Depend on God's Provision 6-14

On what could Abraham depend?

1. Not feelings
2. Not other people
3. Promise & provision of God!
 - a. where?
 - b. when
 - c. how?
 - d. to whom?
 - e. why?

Eph 1:19-20;3:20

4. Seek to glorify Christ

- a. Father & son acted together
- b. Son had to die
- c. Son bore burden of sin (wood)
- d. Son raised from the dead (Heb 11:19)

5. Look forward to what God has for you (15-24)

- a. New relationship with God 22:12
- b. Received back a new son Rom 12:1-2
- c. God gave new assurances of promises 22:16-18
- d. Abraham learned a new name for God:
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