# **Substitution**

**Text:** Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in the place of his son. (Genesis 22:13)

Belgic Confession art 20: We believe that God—who is perfectly merciful and also very just—sent His Son to assume the nature in which the disobedience had been committed, in order to bear in it the punishment of sin by His most bitter passion and death. So God made known His justice toward His Son, who was charged with our sin, and He poured out His goodness and mercy on us, who are guilty and worthy of damnation, giving to us His Son to die, by a most perfect love, and raising Him to life for our justification, in order that by Him we might have immortality and eternal life.

Intro: Person & Work

Old Testament pictures

#### I. The Test

Romans 12:1

#### II. The Problem

Contradictories

III. Isaac's Question

#### IV. What to do?

The dilemma in Q14

### V. The Teaching

Abraham

Moses

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Isaiah

No other passage from the Old Testament was as important to the Church as Isaiah 53. -Jeremias

#### **Application 1: Abraham**

## **Application 2: Substitution**

# Application 3: Where is the Lamb?

 $\ldots$  He poured out Himself to death and was numbered with the transgressors... (Isaiah 53:12)

**Question 30:** Do those who look for their salvation and security in saints, in themselves, or elsewhere really believe in the only Savior Jesus?

Answer: No. Although they boast of being His, by their actions they deny the only Savior, Jesus. Either Jesus is not a perfect Savior, or those who in true faith accept this Savior have in Him all they need for their salvation.