

BSF Scripture for Lesson #14

Question 3

FIRST DAY:

1. Read the lesson notes and References

SECOND DAY:

Read Genesis 22:1-10

Abraham Tested

[22:1] Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!”

“Here I am,” he replied.

[2] 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.”

[3] 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. [4] On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. [5] 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.”

[6] 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, [7] 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?”

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

[9] 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. [10] Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.

Genesis 21:12; [12] But God said to him, “Do not be so distressed about the boy and your maidservant. Listen to whatever Sarah tells you, because it is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.

Hebrews 11:17-19; [17] By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had received the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, [18] even though God had said to him, “It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.” [19] Abraham reasoned that God could raise the dead, and figuratively speaking, he did receive Isaac back from death.

Question 6

John 10:17-18; [17] *The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life —only to take it up again.* [18] *No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”*

Philippians 2:8; [8] And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death — even death on a cross!

THIRD DAY

Read Genesis 22:11-14

[11] But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, “Abraham! Abraham!”

“Here I am,” he replied.

[12] “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.”

[13] 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

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his son. [14] 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.”

Question 9

1 John 4:9-10; [9] This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. [10] This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

FOURTH DAY

Read Genesis 22:15-24

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

[19] Then Abraham returned to his servants, and they set off together for Beersheba. And Abraham stayed in Beersheba.

Nahor's Sons

[20] Some time later Abraham was told, “Milcah is also a mother; she has borne sons to your brother Nahor: [21] Uz the firstborn, Buz his brother, Kemuel (the father of Aram), [22] Kesed, Hazo, Pildash, Jidlaph and Bethuel.” [23] Bethuel became the father of Rebekah. Milcah bore these eight sons to Abraham's brother Nahor. [24] His concubine, whose name was Reumah, also had sons: Tebah, Gaham, Tahash and Maacah.

Question 12 b

Acts 3:24-26; [24] “Indeed, all the prophets from Samuel on, as many as have spoken, have foretold these days. [25] And you are heirs of the prophets and of the covenant God made with your fathers. He said to Abraham, ‘Through your offspring all peoples

on earth will be blessed.’ [26] When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your wicked ways.”

Galatians 3:16; [16] The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. The Scripture does not say “and to seeds,” meaning many people, but “and to your seed,” meaning one person, who is Christ.

FIFTH DAY

Read Genesis 23

The Death of Sarah

[23:1] Sarah lived to be a hundred and twenty-seven years old. [2] She died at Kiriath Arba (that is, Hebron) in the land of Canaan, and Abraham went to mourn for Sarah and to weep over her.

[3] Then Abraham rose from beside his dead wife and spoke to the Hittites. He said, [4] “I am an alien and a stranger among you. Sell me some property for a burial site here so I can bury my dead.”

[5] The Hittites replied to Abraham, [6] “Sir, listen to us. You are a mighty prince among us. Bury your dead in the choicest of our tombs. None of us will refuse you his tomb for burying your dead.”

[7] Then Abraham rose and bowed down before the people of the land, the Hittites. [8] He said to them, “If you are willing to let me bury my dead, then listen to me and intercede with Ephron son of Zohar on my behalf [9] so he will sell me the cave of Machpelah, which belongs to him and is at the end of his field. Ask him to sell it to me for the full price as a burial site among you.”

[10] Ephron the Hittite was sitting among his people and he replied to Abraham in the hearing of all the Hittites who had come to the gate of his city.

[11] “No, my lord,” he said. “Listen to me; I give you the field, and I give you the cave that is in it. I give it to you in the presence of my people. Bury your dead.”

[12] Again Abraham bowed down before the people of the land [13] and he said to Ephron in their hearing, “Listen to me, if you will. I will pay the

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price of the field. Accept it from me so I can bury my dead there.”

[14] Ephron answered Abraham, [15] “Listen to me, my lord; the land is worth four hundred shekels of silver, but what is that between me and you? Bury your dead.”

[16] Abraham agreed to Ephron's terms and weighed out for him the price he had named in the hearing of the Hittites: four hundred shekels of silver, according to the weight current among the merchants.

[17] So Ephron's field in Machpelah near Mamre — both the field and the cave in it, and all the trees within the borders of the field—was deeded [18] to Abraham as his property in the presence of all the Hittites who had come to the gate of the city.

[19] Afterward Abraham buried his wife Sarah in the cave in the field of Machpelah near Mamre (which is at Hebron) in the land of Canaan. [20] So the field and the cave in it were deeded to Abraham by the Hittites as a burial site.

SIXTH DAY

Review Genesis 22-23

See above verses: days 2-5