

Church at Home for Abridge

28th June 2020

Activities for the whole family

Genesis 22: 1-14



1. Here is today's story as [a video to watch](#)
2. **Big questions to talk about together**

Today's story raises all sorts of questions and many people have struggled to understand it. Why does God test Abraham in this cruel way? Surely Abraham has been tested enough, waiting for so long for Isaac to be born.

Why was Abraham ready to kill his own son? Surely this is not the way a good father behaves. Why was Isaac put through this frightening experience?

We do know that some of the tribes who lived at that time believed in gods who wanted people to hurt children like this. Do you think that maybe Abraham had misunderstood what the true God was like and this story put him right? Surely God loves people and tells us not to murder.

Or is this strange story here for a deeper mysterious purpose? The writer says that Abraham learned a new name for God....he is **the God who provides**. What is this all about, do you think?

3. Maybe [the song El Shaddai by Amy Grant](#) with its visuals and its inclusion of several names for God can help your conversation. Watch out for today's story in the song.
4. I wonder how Isaac would remember this experience. What do you think God said to him that day?



5. Here is a wordsearch based on today's story

Word Search for Abraham Was Called to Sacrifice Isaac

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.

I	T	A	B	R	A	H	A	M	A	I	D	
U	N	T	A	L	A	T	N	E	K	I	T	
L	O	R	E	R	T	E	G	D	N	T	O	
N	U	L	A	O	F	F	E	R	I	N	G	
B	O	N	S	M	S	C	L	L	F	A	N	
D	U	E	V	E	L	R	I	R	E	U	R	
L	A	R	O	F	F	S	P	R	I	N	G	
I	U	M	N	N	E	E	T	A	T	V	E	
S	T	N	I	T	T	N	I	S	M	O	D	
A	I	O	N	S	E	G	I	A	M	V	E	
A	A	S	A	C	R	I	F	I	C	E	T	E
C	U	E	D	O	L	A	L	T	A	R	U	

ABRAHAM
ALTAR

ANGEL
BURNT

ISAAC
KNIFE

OFFERING
OFFSPRING

RAM
SACRIFICE