Bible Study Questions

Genesis: The Story Begins - The Lord Provides

Focus

God has provided all that's needed to fulfill His covenant promises to save sinners for His glory through the sacrifice of His one and only Son.

Read

Genesis 22:1-19

Listen

CCNYC teaching on Genesis which can be found on our website

As you study this passage on your own or with a small group of others, here are some questions for study, reflection, and application.

Questions for Review

(The purpose of these opening questions is to review the passage that was recently preached on in order to make sure that everyone understands the basic structure, events, people, and point of the passage.)

- 1. Work through some basic review questions for this passage:
 - What's the context? (Where are we in Genesis; the Pentateuch; the Old Testament; and the Bible as a whole?)
 - Who are the main characters in this section?
 - Is time or place significant in the events that happen in the passage?
 - Is there a conflict or high point in this passage? (What is the structure of this passage that builds to that point?)
 - What was the main point or theme of this passage that was identified in Sunday's sermon?
 - What surprises are there in this passage?
- 2. What questions do you still have about this passage that you'd like to discuss?

Questions for Reflection and Application

(The purpose of these reflection questions is to help each other not just understand what the passage is saying, but to think more deeply about what it means so that we can then accurately apply it to our lives today.)

1. In what way is this a test for Abraham?

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- 2. Why would it have been such a difficult test for him personally? And what makes it so shocking considering God's covenant promises? What might your answers to these questions teach you about this test?
- 3. This is really the last major event recorded for us about Abraham's life and faith. Considering where he began in chapter 12, in what ways was God preparing Abraham throughout his life for this test?
- 4. How does Hebrews 11:17-19 help you understand what's going on here with this test?
- 5. In what ways is this passage really less about Abraham and more about the Lord? What crucial lessons do we learn (1) about the Lord Himself, and (2) about the nature of our relationship with Him?
- 6. Reflect on all the ways this passage points us ahead to Jesus and the cross. How does this chapter help you to better understand things like who Jesus is, the relationship between God the Father and God the Son, Jesus' work on the cross, etc.?
- 7. Read Romans 8:32. How can you apply this to each other's lives today?

Ongoing questions to ask of any passage:

- 1. How does the gospel inform your understanding and application of this passage?
- 2. Has studying this passage in any way challenged your understanding about who God is and what He's like? If so, how so?
- 3. In light of studying this passage, is there any behavior or attitude that you need to personally address in your life? If so, how specifically will you address it?

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4. How does this passage help you to love, trust, and worship Jesus more fully?