

# The Substitute

## 1. A ram substituted for Isaac

1. **Genesis 22:13** "And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son."
2. However, there was no substitute for Jesus, he was our substitute.
3. **1 Peter 2:24** "He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed."

## 2. A ram was offered instead of Isaac

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2. Jesus was offered as the lamb for our sins.
3. **1 Peter 1:19** "but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot."

## 3. Put to work

1. God allowed Abraham to keep his son, but freely gave His own.
2. A substitute had to be provided for Isaac, but none could be provided for Jesus, for He was our substitute.

# Journey To Jesus



## Lesson Five Isaac The Son of Promise

### Outline

- The Son
- The Sacrifice
- The Substitute

# The Son

## 1. Isaac, the son of Promise

1. Abram was promised an heir at 75 (Genesis 12:3).
2. A man with no children was promised to be the father of a family greater than the stars (Genesis 15:1-16).

## 2. Isaac's miraculous conception and birth

1. Abram was 99 when God spoke to him (Genesis 17:1).
2. Name changed to father of many nations (Genesis 17:5)
3. 90 Year old Sarah was promised a son (Genesis 18:10).
4. Sarah laughed (Genesis 18:11-12).
5. Sarah learned all things are possible with God (Genesis 18:14; 21:1-2).

## 3. Isaac's joyful name

1. Isaac's name means "laughter"
2. Abraham and Sarah both laughed (Genesis 17:17; 18:12).

## 4. Put to work

1. Jesus was the seed of promise (Genesis 22:18; Galatians 3:16).
2. Jesus was miraculously born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14).
3. Jesus brought joy into the world
  1. Angels spoke of the Joy brought into the world at the birth of Jesus.
  2. **Luke 2:10-11** "10 And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

# The Sacrifice

## 1. Abraham surrendered his beloved son

1. God told Abraham to sacrifice his son (Genesis 22:2).
2. Abraham rose up early to obey God (Genesis 22:3).

## 2. Isaac was a willing sacrifice

1. Isaac carried his own wood he would be sacrificed on (Genesis 22:6).
2. Isaac willingly submitted himself to be sacrificed (Genesis 22:9).
3. Isaac could have resisted.

## 3. Abraham did not spare his son

1. Abraham took the knife and started to slay his son (Genesis 22:10).
2. The angel of the Lord cried out, stopping the sacrifice (Genesis 22:11).
3. Abraham was commended for not sparing his son (Genesis 22:12).

## 4. Put to work

1. Like Abraham, God surrendered His Son (John 3:16).
2. Like Isaac Jesus was willingly sacrificed for our sins (John 19:17; Luke 22:42).
3. Like Abraham God spared not His Son to save us (Romans 8:32).
4. One must be obedient to God even in hard times.