



#10 Payment for Redemption

"The gospel is the power of God for salvation (Rom. 1:16), and this means the whole of salvation for the whole person. Thus the gospel converts us, the gospel sustains us in the Christian life and brings us to maturity and the gospel brings us to perfection through our resurrection from the dead" – According to Plan by Graeme Goldsworthy

* **Abraham (Genesis 22)**

- God tells Abraham to sacrifice his only son Isaac. This son is precious because he is the child _____ and given in a clearly miraculous way.
- Abraham obeys the command of God. Once their journey is over, Isaac carries _____ for the sacrifice to the appointed place.
- The Hebrew word for altar simply means _____. The location of Abraham's altar was on _____.
- The ram provides temporary atonement by replacing Isaac as the burnt offering to God.

*And Abraham said to God, "Oh that Ishmael might live before you!" God said, "No, but Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac. I will establish my covenant for his offspring after him. **Genesis 17:18-19****

* **David (1 Chronicles 21)**

- As the leader, David's sin brought the consequences upon the entire nation.
- When David receives God's command to build an altar he _____ the voice of the LORD. (v.19)
- The site for the altar is situated on _____ and will later become the location for the _____ in Jerusalem.
- *But King David replied to Araunah, "No, I insist on paying the full price. I will not take for the Lord what is yours, or sacrifice a burnt offering that costs me nothing." So David paid Araunah six hundred shekels of gold for the site. David built an altar to the Lord there and sacrificed burnt offerings and fellowship offerings. **1 Chron. 21:24-26***

* **Jesus the Son**

- Jesus is the _____ of God, he like Isaac was a _____. In scripture we find Jesus was precious and loved by God the Father which leads us to understand the steep cost exacted by the Wrath of God at the cross.
- God is willing to pay this price because his purpose in redemption is to have a people of His own that will share _____ with Him and participate in _____ born out of this relationship.

"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel."

Isaiah 7:14

*When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." **Luke 3:21-22***

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. **John 3:16***

* **The Son's Obedience**

- There is a contrast between humanity's willful rebellion against the Creator & King and Jesus' faithful _____ to the Father's will. (Phil. 2:5-8)
- We find commonality between Isaac and Jesus in that they were both willing to obey their Fathers' commands. Also, Isaac carried the _____ for the sacrifice just as Jesus bore the cross.
- Unlike Isaac, Jesus went knowingly to "the place of sacrifice". (Mark 10:33-34)

* **The Payment**

- The three passages we have looked at share many aspects in common but one of the most significant commonalities is location. Genesis 22 records the saying, "on the mountain of the LORD _____." This mountain of provision and sacrifice is Mt. Moriah in Jerusalem.
- Jesus is not sacrificed at the site of the temple because of rules for sin offerings. (Lev. 4; Heb. 13:11-12)
- The themes of the *only son*, *obedience*, *Mt. Moriah* and *sacrifice* join the many other signposts in scripture that point us to the significance of Jesus, our redemption. In **John 3:14-20** we find that the response required of us is to look at Jesus and believe in Him.

"The high priest carries the blood of animals into the Most Holy Place as a sin offering, but the bodies are burned outside the camp. And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through his own blood.
"Heb. 13:11-12

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they were saying: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" **Rev. 5:11-12**

* **Discussion Questions:**

- What is most precious to you? Share a story about losing something that was special or precious.
- What are ways that we are called to suffer to help others?
- What is an area in which you are struggling to obey God?
- How do you need to experience the provision of God?

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