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In Genesis 22 Abraham was told to take his son Isaac to a place God would show him and sacrifice him there as an offering to God. Isaac was between 30 and 35 years old at this point. Abraham took Isaac and walked three days north of Beersheba to what is now the old city of Jerusalem. Abraham laid the wood for the sacrifice on Isaac's shoulders and they ascended the mountain God showed Abraham. The story continues with Abraham binding Isaac with a rope, laying the wood in order upon a newly fashioned altar and placing Isaac, ready for sacrifice, upon the wood. Hebrews 11 says that Abraham trusted God ... but who was Isaac trusting?

Isaac questioned his father and heard his father's answer, then allowed his father to bind him and prepare him to be sacrificed. In all of this, Isaac trusted God in Abraham although Isaac did not hear directly from God. Sometimes our seasons or situations of life demand that we trust God in others.

Prayer for Today

Dear Father in heaven, help me to discern the times and seasons of life which demand me to trust You in and through others. Grant me the grace to accept the leadership You send to me and to allow You to lead me through them according to Your will.

Scriptures for Today

Genesis 22:7-9 But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So, the two of them went together. Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. (NKJV)

Hebrews 11:17 By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son. (NKJV)