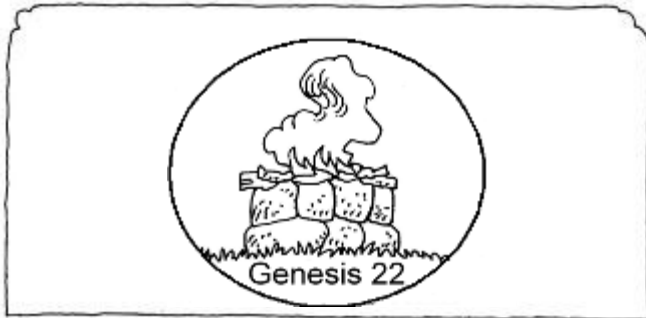


ABRAHAM and Isaac

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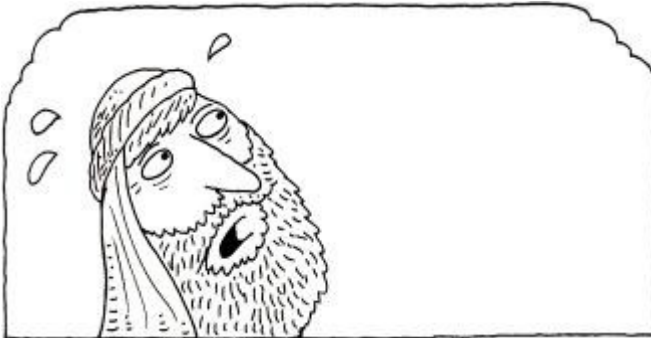
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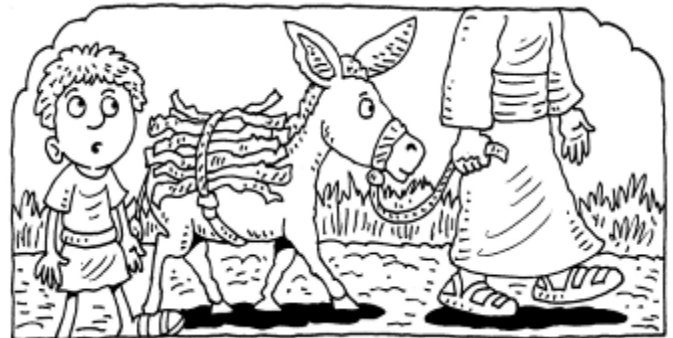
Abraham loved God with all his heart. When God asked him to give the ONE thing he loved the most to Him, Abraham obeyed and trusted God.



Abraham loved God. Abraham had waited a long time to get a boy of his own. He thanked God for giving Isaac to him.



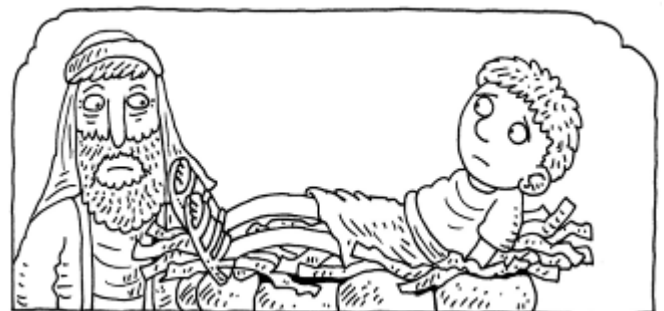
One day God talked to Abraham. "Take Isaac, your boy and give him to me, as a present," God said, "Take him to a mountain I will show you."



Early the next morning Abraham put some wood, for a fire, on his donkey and went to the mountain with Isaac. It would be hard to give Isaac to God.



Isaac helped get the wood for the fire. "Where is the lamb to give to God?" he asked. Abraham said, "God will give us His own lamb."



Abraham put the wood on the altar of stones. He put Isaac, his special boy, on top. God knew that Abraham loved God and was giving Him the one thing he loved the most.



God said, "Stop, Abraham! God has seen that you love Him, even more than you love your only boy. You listened to God, even when it was hard."



Abraham and Isaac never forgot to make loving God the most important thing to do. When you do, then God will bless you.