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# The Tears of Worship

1 Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

Pain and suffering have come into your life, but remember pain, sorrow, suffering are but the kiss of Jesus -

a sign that you have come so close to Him that He can kiss you.

2 Then He said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."

## Tears of Worship Requires Sacrifice

### Nothing is really lost by a life of sacrifice; everything is lost by failure to obey God's call.

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#### Matthew 3:17

17 And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is

#### My beloved Son,

in whom I am well pleased."

Mark 1:11

11 Then a voice came from heaven,

"You are My beloved Son,

in whom I am well pleased."

#### Luke 3:22

22 And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said,

#### "You are My beloved Son;

in You I am well pleased."

SACRIFICE: If you want something you've never had, you must be willing to do something you've never done.

John 3:16

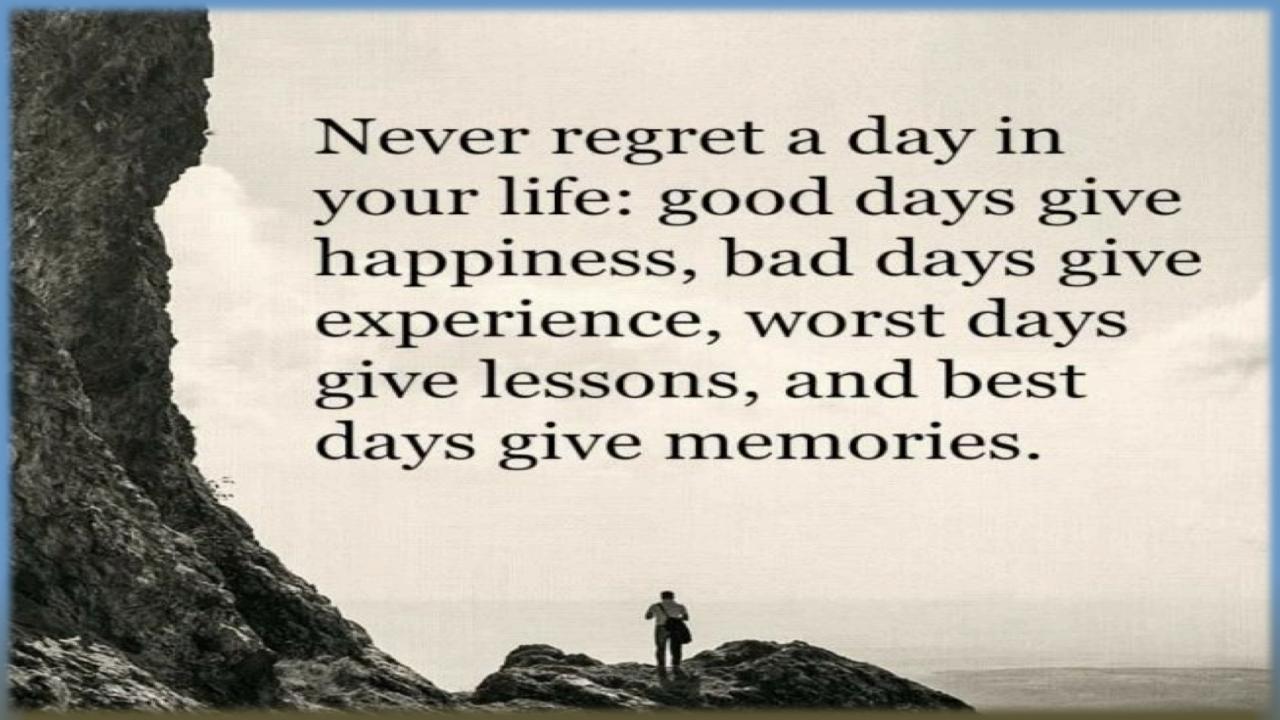
16 For God So Loved the world that He gave His

#### Only Begotten Son,

that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

3 So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son; and he split the wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.

4 Then on the third day
Abraham lifted his eyes and
saw the place afar off.



5 And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the lad and I will go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you."

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Sacrifice is the very essence of religion;... Without sacrifice there is no true worship of God.

— Gordon B. Hinckley —

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#### Worship

The Hebrew word for worship in verse 5 is Shachah. This is the first mention of the word in all of scripture. It means:

a. To bow down, to prostrate one's self, as an act of respect before a superior being.

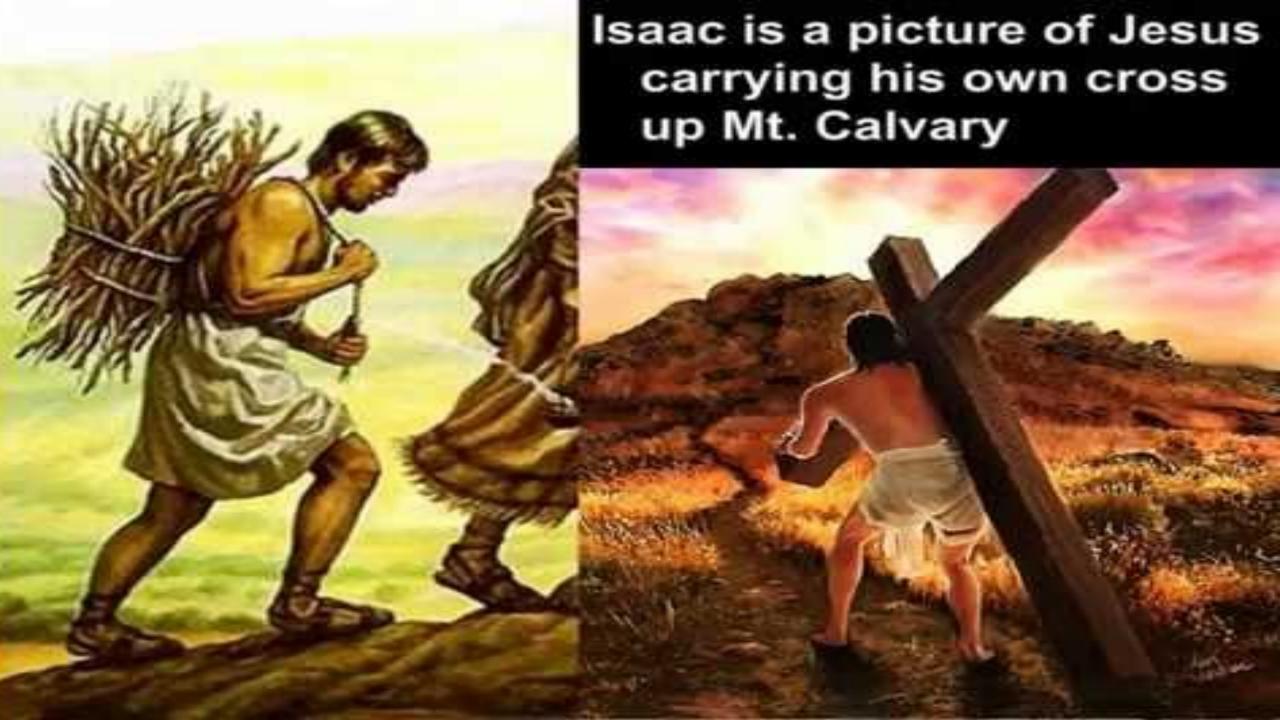
b. It means to surrender or to fall down in submission

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## And We Will Come Back To You."

God has a purpose for your pain, a reason for your struggle and a reward for your faithfulness. Trust Him and don't give up!

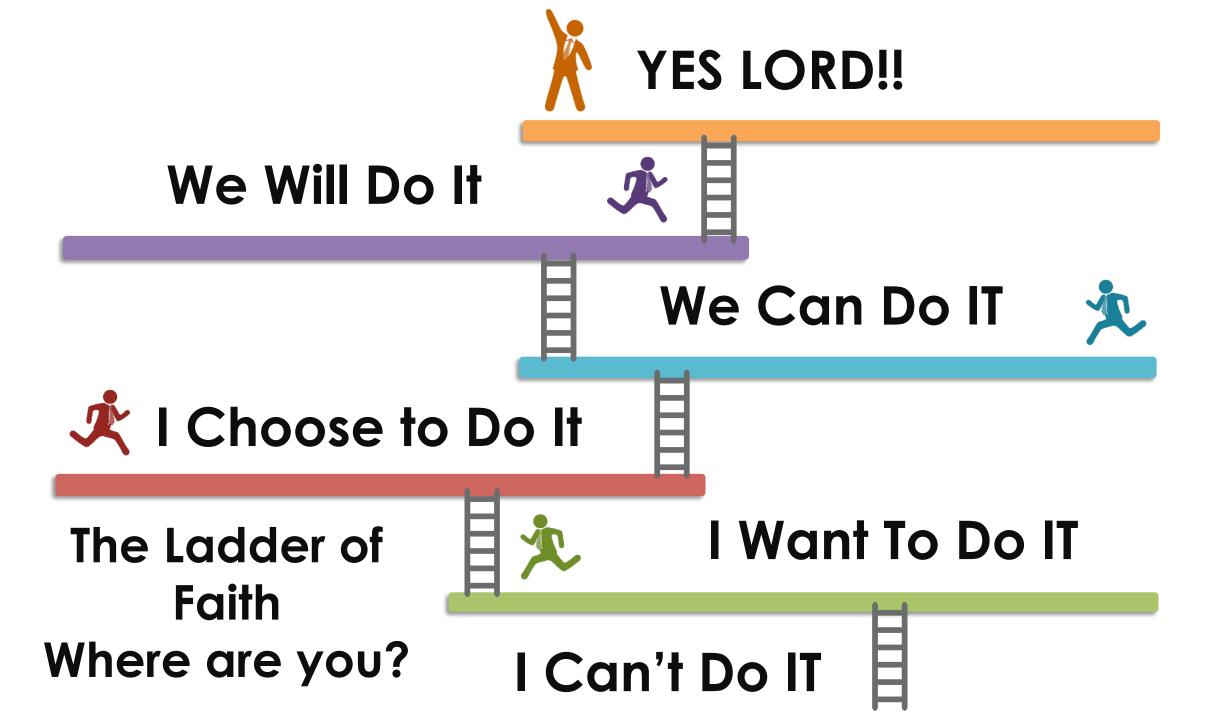
6 So Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together.



#### Hebrews 11:17 17 By faith Abraham, when he was put to the test [while the testing of his faith was still in progress], had already brought Isaac for an offering; he who had gladly received and welcomed [God's] promises was ready to sacrifice his only son,

18 Of whom it was said, Through Isaac shall your descendants be reckoned.,

19 For he reasoned that God was able to raise [him] up even from among the dead. Indeed in the sense that Isaac was figuratively dead [potentially sacrificed], he did [actually] receive him back from the dead.



7 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?"

8 And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together.

9 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.

10 And Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.

11 But the Angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" So he said, "Here I am."

12 And He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."

13 Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son.

17 By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,

18 of whom it was said, "In Isaac your seed shall be called,"

19 concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.