

## Hebrews 11:17-20

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...God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it. [1 Corinthians 10:213](#)

#### God the Father offered His Son as a sacrifice on our behalf:

...yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted... and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all... Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief... [Isaiah 53:4, 6, 10](#)

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. [John 3:16](#)

He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all...

[Romans 8:32](#)

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The next day John [the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world." [John 1:29](#)

#### Like Isaac, Jesus laid down His life in trusting obedience to the Father:

Therefore when He came into the world, He said, "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, but a body You have prepared for Me... "Behold, I have come – in the volume of the Book it is written of Me, to do Your will, O God."

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...when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten but committed Himself to Him Who judges righteously. [1 Peter 3:1](#)

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#### The New Testament makes clear that Abraham received revelation of the cross of Jesus and the Gospel when he brought Isaac to Mount Moriah:

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