

## **Jesus in the Pages of the Books (3 of xx) Isaac, Covenant Son, Figure of Jesus?**

I was recently inspired to write a book about some of the understanding I have gained from studying the Bible through the years. I wanted the book to be a witness of Old Testament prophecies that can be obviously seen as fulfilled in the New Testament, by even the first time Bible reader.

The title of the book written of me is, “A TESTIMONY OF JESUS; Messiah, Son of the Living God”. ([http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb\\_sb\\_noss\\_1?url=search-alias%3Dstripbooks&field-keywords=Jimmie+Jennings](http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb_sb_noss_1?url=search-alias%3Dstripbooks&field-keywords=Jimmie+Jennings))

I believe the subjects chosen and talked about in my book accomplished, “a single testimony of Jesus”.

But did you know all the pages of the Bible are a testimony of Jesus? He is quite literally “in the Pages of the Books”, from Genesis to Revelation! And so, this study continues that efforts.

As we did in the previous two parts, “**Jesus in the Pages of the Books (1 of xx)**” and “**Jesus in the Pages of the Books (2 of xx)**” we shall highlight those events that God instituted to bring about redemption/ salvation of the fallen human race. In the first two parts of our previous studies, we established that God calls and/or uses whomsoever He would to further the progress of His plan of salvation; which culminate by means of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. And along the way to that final goal of salvation through Jesus/ Messiah, God established family foundations of peoples and nations that He called and/or used to accomplish His purpose. God called Abraham and Sarah, by covenant, to begin the family of His chosen people that would give birth to Jesus, His Son and savior of the world!

We see in these studies, events in the life of Abraham and his family, witness of prophecies that point to Jesus!

This installment of our study series continues with Isaac, the son of covenant according to FAITH; as opposed to Abraham’s first son, Ishmael, which was absent of faith, and outside of covenant!

### ***The LORD God Proves/ Tests Abraham’s Dedication to Their Covenant Agreement:***

**Gen 22:1** And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, *here I am*.

**Gen 22:2** And he said, Take now thy son, thine only *son* Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

**Gen 22:3** And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men (*servants*) with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

**Gen 22:4** Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

**Gen 22:5** And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

***The Prophetic Sacrifice of the “Covenanted” First Born, and Only Son of God:***

Gen 22:6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid *it* upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.

Gen 22:7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am* I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where *is* the lamb for a burnt offering?

***The prophecy of the true lamb that God shall provide for his sacrifice***

Gen 22:8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

Gen 22:9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

Gen 22:10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

Gen 22:11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here *am* I. ***(The LORD God saw the heart of Abraham; that he fully intended to sacrifice his only son; honoring the covenant to please God)***

Gen 22:12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad (*Isaac*), neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son* from me.

Gen 22:13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind *him* a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son (***Some Bible teachers also see Isaac as a figure of the scapegoat in this Scripture. But Jesus is the true sacrifice, the ram caught in a thicket of evil doers and accusers round about him.***)

Gen 22:14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh (*God will provide*): as it is said *to* this day, In the mount (*Moriah*) of the LORD it (***the provision/ sacrifice of God, Jesus***) shall be seen.

Gen 22:15 And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

Gen 22:16 And said, By myself have I sworn (***because there is no one higher to swear by***), saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son*:

Gen 22:17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which *is* upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess (***have authority of***) the gate of his enemies;

Gen 22:18 And in thy seed (***the Lord Jesus***) shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Gen 22:19 So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beersheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beersheba.

***Isaac Marries Rebekah (Granddaughter of Nahor, Abraham’s Brother (Gen 24:15)):***

***I have heard Bible teaching that explains Abraham's actions of sending his servant Eliezer to fetch a bride for his son Isaac, as a figure of the Holy Spirit growing the Church in preparation for the coming of Jesus. I am certainly not in disagreement with such a comparison!***

**Gen 24:1** And Abraham was old, *and* well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.

**Gen 24:2** And Abraham said unto his eldest servant (***Eliezer, Genesis 15:2***) of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:

**Gen 24:3** And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell:

**Gen 24:4** But thou shalt go unto my country (***Haran, Genesis 11:31***), and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac.

**Gen 24:5** And the servant said unto him, Peradventure (***suppose***) the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son (***Isaac***) again unto the land from whence thou camest?

**Gen 24:6** And Abraham said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again (***I believe this indicate that Abraham do not want to take the chance that Isaac might take up residence somewhere else beside here in Canaan, because this is the place God promised to bless Abraham and his seed after him***).

**Gen 24:7** The LORD God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he (***God***) shall send his angel before thee (***Abraham's servant***), and thou shalt take a wife unto my son (***Isaac***) from thence (***Haran***).

**Gen 24:8** And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear (***know***) from this my oath (***that that is not the wife for Isaac, my son***): only bring not my son thither again (***or there to Haran***). (***In my mind this Scripture could also speaks of John 3:16***)

***The oath between Abraham and his servant, Eliezer, to find a wife for Isaac:***

**Gen 24:9** And the servant (***of Abraham***) put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.

**Gen 24:10** And the servant (***of Abraham***) took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; for all the goods of his master *were* in his hand: and he arose, and went to Mesopotamia (***the area of present day Iraq***), unto the city of Nahor.

**Gen 24:11** And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening, *even* the time that women go out to draw *water*.

**Gen 24:12** And he said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.

**Gen 24:13** Behold, I stand *here* by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:

**Gen 24:14** And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: *let the same be* she *that* thou hast appointed for (***the wife of***) thy

servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master (*Abraham*).

***The servant of Abraham is successful in his search to find a wife for Isaac:***

Gen 24:15 And it came to pass, before he (*Eliezer*) had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

Gen 24:16 And the damsel *was* very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.

Gen 24:17 And the servant (*of Abraham, Eliezer*) ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.

Gen 24:18 And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hastened, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.

Gen 24:19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw *water* for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.

Gen 24:20 And she hastened, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw *water*, and drew for all his camels.

Gen 24:21 And the man (*Abraham's servant*) wondering at her (*Rebekah*) held his peace, to wit whether the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.

Gen 24:22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten *shekels* weight of gold;

Gen 24:23 And said, Whose daughter *art* thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room *in* thy father's house for us to lodge in?

Gen 24:24 And she said unto him, I *am* the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she (*Milcah*) bare unto Nahor.

Gen 24:25 She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.

Gen 24:26 And the man (*Abraham's servant*) bowed down his head, and worshipped the LORD.

Gen 24:27 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I *being* in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren.

Gen 24:28 And the damsel ran, and told *them of* her mother's house these things.

Gen 24:29 And Rebekah had a brother, and his name *was* Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the well.

Gen 24:30 And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spake the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

Gen 24:31 And he said, Come in, thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels.

Gen 24:32 And the man came into the house: and he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the men's feet that *were* with him.

Gen 24:33 And there was set *meat* before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat, until I have told mine errand. And he said, Speak on.

Gen 24:34 And he said, I *am* Abraham's servant.

Gen 24:35 And the LORD hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.

Gen 24:36 And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath.

Gen 24:37 And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell:

Gen 24:38 But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son.

Gen 24:39 And I said unto my master, Peradventure the woman will not follow me.

Gen 24:40 And he said unto me, The LORD, before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

Gen 24:41 Then shalt thou be clear from *this* my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee *one*, thou shalt be clear from my oath.

Gen 24:42 And I came this day unto the well, and said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my way which I go:

Gen 24:43 Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin cometh forth to draw *water*, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink;

Gen 24:44 And she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: *let* the same *be* the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's son.

Gen 24:45 And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well, and drew *water*: and I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray thee.

Gen 24:46 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her *shoulder*, and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.

Gen 24:47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter *art* thou? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.

Gen 24:48 And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.

Gen 24:49 And now if ye will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left.

Gen 24:50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good.

Gen 24:51 Behold, Rebekah *is* before thee, take *her*, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.

Gen 24:52 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped the LORD, *bowing himself* to the earth.

Gen 24:53 And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave *them* to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.

Gen 24:54 And they did eat and drink, he and the men that *were* with him, and tarried all night; and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master.

Gen 24:55 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us *a few* days, at the least ten; after that she shall go.

Gen 24:56 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.

Gen 24:57 And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth.

Gen 24:58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go.

Gen 24:59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.

Gen 24:60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, Thou *art* our sister, be thou *the mother* of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them.

Gen 24:61 And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

Gen 24:62 And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahairoi; for he dwelt in the south country.

Gen 24:63 And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, the camels *were* coming.

Gen 24:64 And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel.

Gen 24:65 For she *had* said unto the servant, What man *is* this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant *had* said, It *is* my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.

Gen 24:66 And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.

Gen 24:67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's *death*.

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