

Gen. 22:9-14 **ABRAHAM OFFERS UP ISAAC** *Then they came to the place of which God had told him; and Abraham built the altar there and arranged the wood, and bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. 10 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!" And he said, "Here I am." 12 He said, "Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to him; for now I know that you*



Abraham

*fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me." 13 Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and **took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in the place of his son.** 14 Abraham called the name of that place **The LORD Will Provide**, as it is said to this day, "In the mount of the LORD it will be provided." These scriptures seem very scary to many. The thought that a man would offer up his only son as a sacrifice is very hard for most of us to comprehend. Of course, our Father, Yah did*

just that with His Son Yeshua. That is something we must never forget. This is said to have taken place about 1617 BC.

What many fail to realize when reading these verses is the fact that Abraham knew that Isaac would not be sacrificed. Torah teachers say there is no redundant word in torah. If you see something repeated, there is another meaning. Let's go back a few verses and see something interesting.

Gen. 22:6-8 *And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son, and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. **So the two of them walked on together.** And Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." And he said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" 8 And Abraham said, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." **So the two of them walked on together.*** This repetition of "so the two of them walked on together", means the meaning of "so the two of them walked on together" (verse 6), is different than in verse 8. In verse 6 it was Abraham going up the mountain knowing what was going to happen. In verse 8 we see that now both of them know what is going to happen. Isaac was in agreement with his father to do this. Isaac now understand that he was the one who was going to be sacrificed. That gives a whole new understanding of the repeated words. Isaac wasn't a victim as many would have you believe, Isaac agreed with what his father Abraham said was to be done.

Prophetically speaking, the exact same thing happened when Yeshua was sacrificed by His Father at Calvary. There had to be a lamb of God sacrifice made and Yeshua knew He was to be that sacrifice. He willingly went along with the plan of redemption.

Abraham must have known in advance that Yah would do something miraculous or he would not have spoken as he did just a few verses previous. **Gen. 22:5** *And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey, and I and the lad will go yonder; and **we will worship and return to you.**"* When Abraham took Isaac up Mt. Moriah to sacrifice him he knew Yah would not allow it to happen because he said he was returning with Isaac. "*We will worship and return to you*". Exactly what Abraham knew no one knows for sure, but it does appear that he knew in advance that Yah would not allow him to hurt his son.

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