

A Fathers Love

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Read: Genesis 22:1-13

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I wonder how God could request his Son to die for a world that did not care, a world happy to wallow in the mire of its sin. The only way to answer that is to imagine if it was our child having to die for someone else. It is unimaginable isn't it?

God did give us a glimpse into this with the story of Abraham and Isaac. Yet the story does not give insight into what Abraham was feeling. We know the words spoken: "...take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love." God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son. Abraham simply obeyed. Then God provided a substitute, but only when Abraham had Isaac already on the altar!

Sound familiar? What did God do for us? He needed a sacrifice for sin. But he spared us and offered His one and only Son in our place. Are you not glad that God the Father and God the Son did not make their decision on redemption based on feelings? If so this world may not have been redeemed.

A line in a song I heard goes "How many Fathers gave up their Son for me?" As I thought about this it brought everything into perspective. May we all respond in that love, by accepting the free gift of salvation, with Jesus sacrifice on the cross.

Prayer: Father as we reflect on Your Son's journey to the cross, may you give us insight into your Father's heart. Holy Spirit, wash over us a new and make the story, much more than a story but make it overpoweringly obvious of our Fathers Love. AMEN
