

FAITH WORTH FOLLOWING

Hebrews 11:7-22 p. 974

- I. GOD IS WORTHY OF RADICAL FAITH:
ABRAHAM TRUSTED GOD WHEN ASKED TO SACRIFICE HIS SON ISAAC (HEBREWS 11:17-19; GENESIS 22).
 - A. Abraham was willing to sacrifice his son Isaac to obey God although Isaac was God's promised son (11:17-18).
 - B. Abraham trusted God so fully that he expected God to raise Isaac from the dead (11:19).
 - God is worthy of our trust – always!
 - Learning to trust God is a process, not an event.
 - God provided Christ to die in our place, like He provided the ram to die instead of Isaac (Hebrews 9:12; 9:28; 5:9).
- II. CHILDREN LEARN TO TRUST GOD FROM PARENTS: ABRAHAM'S DESCENDANTS TRUSTED GOD ABOUT FUTURES THEY DIDN'T SEE (HEBREWS 11:20-22).
 - A. Isaac trusted God about the future of his sons Jacob and Esau although Jacob and Rebekah deceived him (11:20; Genesis 27).
 - B. Jacob trusted God about the future of Joseph's sons, after thinking Joseph was dead (11:21; Genesis 48:8-22).
 - C. Joseph trusted God's promise about the promised land he would never see (11:22; Genesis 50:24-25; Joshua 24:32).

