

“For People Like Us” (Isaac)

Ice Breaker Idea: Favorite Thanksgiving Dish and/or other Holiday Traditions

Questions:

1. Scripture seems to leave out a lot of the smaller details of this event. What questions do you have about the story of Abraham & Isaac?
2. How would you define Faith? Describe the Faith that Abraham and Isaac demonstrated in this event.
3. One of the purposes of this test may have been for Isaac to see how his father responded – do you agree? Who are the people that may or may not see Faith when observing how you handle “tests” in your life? Who are people that you have observed Faith in and been encouraged by in your life?
4. Is it true that we often desire answers and understanding before we will trust God or others? Why do you think we desire these things so much?
5. “It is your trust in God that will get you through the difficult times, not answers or understanding”. Do you agree with this quote? Where in Scripture do we see this principle illustrated? Where have you seen this play out in your own life?
6. Is it possible to prepare ourselves for when “tests of Faith” come into our lives? If so, what can we do to prepare? If not, explain.

“Digging Deeper”

Read Proverbs 3: 5-6

What is it about our understanding that often fails us? Why does Scripture tell us not to rely on it?

Read Isaiah 55: 8-11 & Romans 11: 33-36

What are your initial reactions to these passages? Do you find comfort in the greatness of God’s Wisdom and Power? Why or Why Not?