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Bible Study

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Crucial Elements of Your Private Worship

Genesis 22:1-12

II Peter 1:5, 6 reads, *“For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; 6) and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness.”* (NIV) These verses record five different components that believers are encouraged to make a part of their belief in God. Christians who embrace and respond to this challenge will experience growth in their spiritual pilgrimage. There are many people in the Old Testament who sought to better their individual worship of God by being obedient to His will and ways. This lesson is designed to examine an encounter in the life of Abraham and point out crucial elements of your private worship.

Breakdown of Genesis Chapter 22:1-18

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| 1. The <u>Commandment</u> | to Abraham | Verses 1, 2 |
| 2. The <u>Commitment</u> | from Abraham | Verses 3-10 |
| 3. The <u>Compliment</u> | about Abraham | Verses 11-18 |

1. Preparation is a crucial element of your private worship.
Verse 3
“The next morning Abraham got up early. He saddled his donkey and took two of his servants with him, along with his son, Isaac. Then he chopped wood for a fire for a burnt offering and set out for the place God had told him about.” (NLT)

2. Conversation is a crucial element of your private worship.
Verse 5
“Stay here with the donkey,” Abraham told the servants. “The boy and I will travel a little farther. We will worship there, and then we will come right back.” (NLT)

3. Expectation is a crucial element of your private worship.
Verse 8
“God will provide a sheep for the burnt offering, my son,” Abraham answered. And they both walked on together.” (NLT)

4. Concentration is a crucial element of your private worship.
Verses 9, 10
“When they arrived at the place where God had told him to go, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood on it. Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar on

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