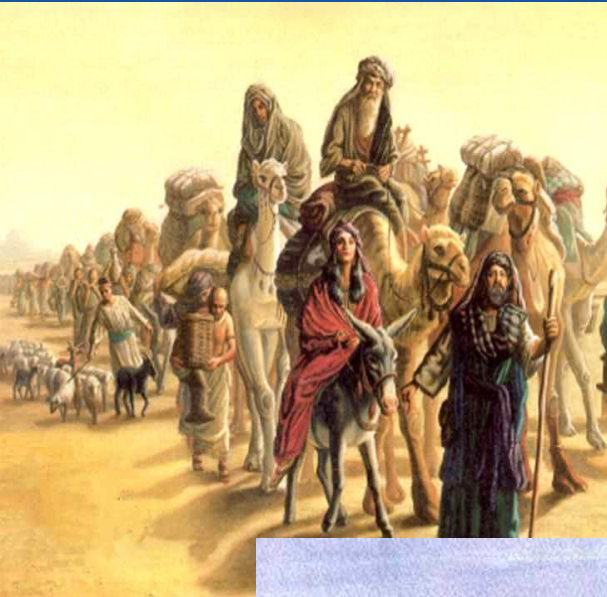


GENESIS 22: *“After these things...”*



MANY CHAPTERS EXPLAINING ABRAHAM'S LIFE AND DIVINE PURPOSE



THE AKEDAH

- Means “binding”
- God instructed Abraham to release his much-loved son Ishmael
- Rescued by “angel of Yehoveh”
- Now, Isaac is to be removed from Abraham
- Rescued by “angel of Yehoveh”
- Both were considered “firstborn” sons by Abraham



GOD TESTS ABRAHAM



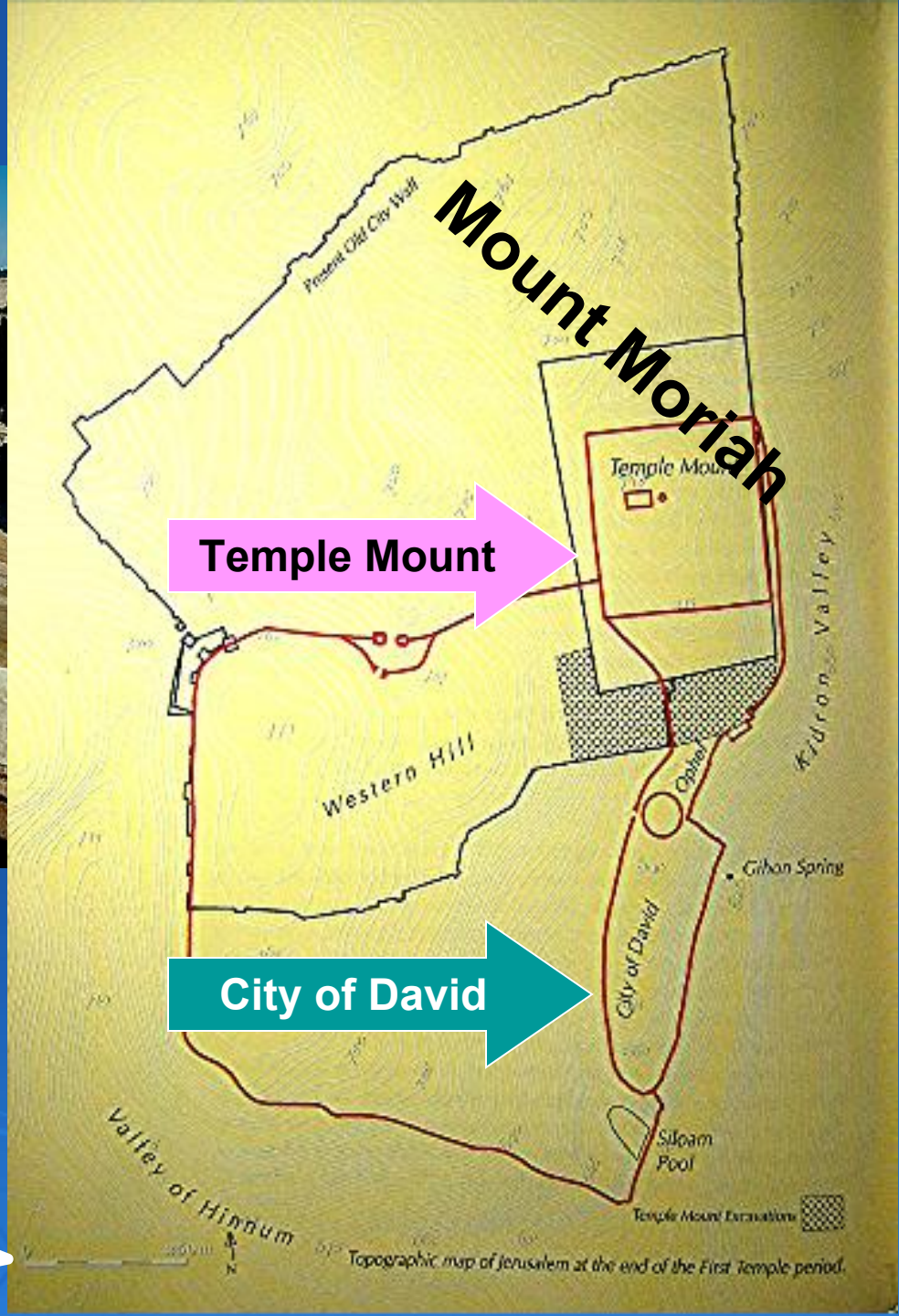
- We're told this, but Abraham didn't know it!
- We know from the first verse that Isaac will survive
- God's demand on Abraham came in a dream at night
- He is to offer Isaac as an 'Olah.....a burnt offering
- 5 kinds of sacrificial burnt offerings with different purposes and names
- Offerings distinguished by:
 - 1) What is offered
 - 2) Purpose and function

MT. MORIAH



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City of David



A 50 MILE JOURNEY

- Abraham took 2 servants with him
- Took wood for the altar fire with him
- No reason for Abraham to take wood, as there was plenty of wood in the hills of Jerusalem
- Isaac carrying the wood is a perfect parallel of Jesus carrying his own cross



FATHER AND SON TOGETHER AT THE SACRIFICIAL ALTAR

- Abraham told servants they'd return. A lie?
- Prefigures Christ telling his disciples that, for now, they could not go where He was going
- It was necessary for Father and Son to perform the sacrifice together
- The Son = the sacrifice
- The Father = initiate and accept the sacrifice



“Father.....where is the lamb?”



- Isaac was somewhere between 25 – 37 years old
- Would not have seemed all that strange to Abraham, human sacrifice was normal among the pagans
- Isaac did not resist or demand his rights
- Parallels with the Messiah going silently to the Cross
- Isaac was NO Messiah
- The appointed time for a Messiah had not yet come

ISAAC AND MESSIAH: TYPES AND PARALLELS

- 1) Vs.2: Only son is the sacrifice
- 2) Vs.3: 3 days after being condemned to death, each was alive
- 3) Vs.6: Carried the wooden implement of death to the place of sacrifice
- 4) Vs.8: God provided the sacrificial lamb
- 5) Vs.13: A Ram (male) was the sacrificial object
- 6) Vs.14: The place was called Jehovah Jireh, meaning God provides.

ANGEL OF YHWH RESCUES ISAAC

- “Angel of the Lord” stops the sacrifice, and then embellishes the already given covenants
- Mal’ach Yehoveh
- “I have sworn by Myself.”
- Genealogy of Nahor is given
- 12 sons for Nahor, just as 12 sons for Ishmael and for Jacob (Israel)



GENESIS 23: THE DEATH OF SARAH



- Sarah dies at the age of 127 years
- Tradition says the strain of the Mt. Moriah near-death of Isaac was the cause
- Abraham 138 years old when his beloved wife died
- First recorded death and burial of a Hebrew

CAVE OF MACHPELAH IN HEBRON



**SHRINE OVER SUPPOSED
LOCATION OF THE CAVE
OF MACHPELAH**