

Lesson III.

ABRAHAM GIVING ISAAC TO GOD

October 20, 1918

Genesis 22 : 1-14. *Scripture Memory Verses, Matt. 7 : 9, 10.

Golden Text—I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life.—1 Samuel 1 : 11.

COPYRIGHTED BY PROVIDENCE LITHOGRAPH CO.

thy son, thine only son from me.

13 And A'braham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns : and A'braham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

14 And A'braham called the name of that place Jeho'vah-j'i'rah : as it is said to this day, In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen.

1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt A'braham, and said unto him, A'braham : and he said, Behold, *here I am*.

2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son I'saac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Mori'ah ; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

3 And A'braham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and I'saac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

4 Then on the third day A'braham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

5 And A'braham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass ; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

6 And A'braham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon I'saac his son ; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife ; and they went both of them together.

7 And I'saac spake unto A'braham his father, and said, My father : and he said, Here *am I*, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood : but where is the lamb for a burnt offering ?

8 And A'braham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering : so they went both of them together.

9 And they came to the place which God had told him of ; and A'braham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound I'saac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

10 And A'braham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

11 And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven, and said, A'braham, A'braham : and he said, Here *am I*.

12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him ; for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld

THE LESSON RETOLD

Abraham had just one son, and his name was Isaac. You may be sure his father loved him very dearly, and was very proud of him, as he saw him growing up to be a fine, strong, good-looking lad.

One day God spoke to Abraham, and Abraham said, "Here I am, Lord." God said, "Abraham, I want you to take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go away to a mountain which I shall tell you of, and there you shall offer him to me for a burnt offering." Abraham never for one moment thought of disobeying God's bidding, although it nearly broke his heart to think of offering his dear son to be burned upon the altar.

So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his ass and took with him two of his

young men servants and Isaac his son, and they chopped wood for the burnt offering and carried it to the place of which God had told him.

At last Abraham saw the mountain ju ahead of them. When they came to it, he told his servants to stay with the ass while he and Isaac went up to the mountain to worship God. Abraham gave the bundle of wood to Isaac to carry, while he carried the fire to light the wood and also carried a big knife, such as they used when offering a lamb as a burnt offering.

As they walked along, Isaac looked up at his father and said, "Father, we have both fire and wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" Abraham could not bear

* For correct recitation of any one year's Part of the Scripture Memory Passages of List II., at one sitting, a Card Certificate will be given, to be exchanged for Certificate in Colors when the three yearly Parts have been completed. The Card, with sample copy of List of Passages, may be had free of charge from Rev. J. C. Robertson, D.D., our General Secretary for Sabbath Schools, Confederation Life Building, Toronto.