



SERMON CHEAT SHEET

REAL HELP FOR BIG CHALLENGES | GENESIS 21:22–34

Main Theme: God strengthens our faith through peaceful occasions of daily obedience, preparing us for the serious difficulties that will come tomorrow.

Recognize God's Help in Daily Struggles

God shows His protective care in the ordinary difficulties we face, giving us genuine security. In an unbelieving world, people often notice God's blessing on our lives before we do. King Abimelech came to Abraham because he plainly saw that divine power was supporting him. We can act with complete integrity both at work and at home because the God who looked after us yesterday is the same God who watches over us today. Gratitude for this divine protection drives our consistent faithfulness.

Walk in Integrity and Peace

Divine grace enables us to remain calm and in control when faced with theft and betrayal. Instead of taking the quick way, Abraham chose the slower path of resolving matters face to face; he sent seven lambs as clear evidence and settled the dispute by certain facts. Since God is actively guarding us, we can let the Holy Spirit guard our temper. Those united with Jesus have the quiet dignity needed to state the truth and live in peace.

Anchor Faith in God for Future Challenges

On quiet afternoons, we develop a strong spiritual foundation while God faithfully gives us our daily bread. Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in the desert, which grows slowly so that future generations might have the roots of faith. Before the great crisis at Mount Moriah, he prayed to El Olam, the Everlasting God, and secured his soul. By grounding your soul in God's eternal promises now, you can remain firm when the ground shakes tomorrow. Jesus secured our eternal inheritance through his death so we can live with unshakeable peace.

LIVE IT OUT THIS WEEK

- Treat any conflict in your workplace or neighborhood with calmness, facts, and grace.
- Record one way God has provided for your family this past month, and share it with someone to help strengthen their faith.
- Begin a new habit of praying for your family's future generations to plant a long-term seed.

PRAYER PROMPTS

- Pray to God that He may give you a strong sense of His protection in your daily work and finances.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to give you self-control and help you protect yourself if you ever feel treated unfairly or deceived.
- Pray to the Lord that His eternal name may anchor your heart, enabling you to meet whatever challenges may come your way.