

I SURRENDER ALL?

CONSIDER IT ALL JOY, MY BRETHREN, WHEN YOU ENCOUNTER VARIOUS TRIALS, KNOWING THAT THE TESTING OF YOUR FAITH PRODUCES ENDURANCE. AND LET ENDURANCE HAVE *ITS* PERFECT RESULT, SO THAT YOU MAY BE PERFECT AND COMPLETE, LACKING IN NOTHING.

(JAS 1:2-4)

OUR EXAMPLE


- BY FAITH ABRAHAM, WHEN HE WAS CALLED, OBEYED BY GOING OUT TO A PLACE WHICH HE WAS TO RECEIVE FOR AN INHERITANCE; AND HE WENT OUT, NOT KNOWING WHERE HE WAS GOING. BY FAITH HE LIVED AS AN ALIEN IN THE LAND OF PROMISE, AS IN A FOREIGN *LAND*, DWELLING IN TENTS WITH ISAAC AND JACOB, FELLOW HEIRS OF THE SAME PROMISE; FOR HE WAS LOOKING FOR THE CITY WHICH HAS FOUNDATIONS, WHOSE ARCHITECT AND BUILDER IS GOD. BY FAITH EVEN SARAH HERSELF RECEIVED ABILITY TO CONCEIVE, EVEN BEYOND THE PROPER TIME OF LIFE, SINCE SHE CONSIDERED HIM FAITHFUL WHO HAD PROMISED. (HEB 11:8-11)
- BY FAITH ABRAHAM, WHEN HE WAS TESTED, OFFERED UP ISAAC, AND HE WHO HAD RECEIVED THE PROMISES WAS OFFERING UP HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON; *IT WAS HE* TO WHOM IT WAS SAID, "IN ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS SHALL BE CALLED." HE CONSIDERED THAT GOD IS ABLE TO RAISE *PEOPLE* EVEN FROM THE DEAD, FROM WHICH HE ALSO RECEIVED HIM BACK AS A TYPE.
- (HEB 11:17-19)

JESUS THE ULTIMATE EXAMPLE

- **FIXING OUR EYES ON JESUS, THE AUTHOR AND PERFECTER OF FAITH, WHO FOR THE JOY SET BEFORE HIM ENDURED THE CROSS, DESPISING THE SHAME, AND HAS SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE THRONE OF GOD.**
- (HEB 12:2)



IT IS ABOUT BEING FRUITFUL NOT SACRIFICE

- **"EVERY BRANCH IN ME THAT DOES NOT BEAR FRUIT, HE TAKES AWAY; AND EVERY *BRANCH* THAT BEARS FRUIT, HE PRUNES IT SO THAT IT MAY BEAR MORE FRUIT.**
 - (JOHN 15:2)
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A PLEASING AROMA

- **NOW WHEN JESUS WAS IN BETHANY, AT THE HOME OF SIMON THE LEPER, A WOMAN CAME TO HIM WITH AN ALABASTER VIAL OF VERY COSTLY PERFUME, AND SHE Poured IT ON HIS HEAD AS HE RECLINED *AT THE TABLE*. BUT THE DISCIPLES WERE INDIGNANT WHEN THEY SAW *THIS*, AND SAID, "WHY THIS WASTE? "FOR THIS *PERFUME* MIGHT HAVE BEEN SOLD FOR A HIGH PRICE AND *THE MONEY* GIVEN TO THE POOR." BUT JESUS, AWARE OF THIS, SAID TO THEM, "WHY DO YOU BOTHER THE WOMAN? FOR SHE HAS DONE A GOOD DEED TO ME. "FOR YOU ALWAYS HAVE THE POOR WITH YOU; BUT YOU DO NOT ALWAYS HAVE ME. "FOR WHEN SHE Poured THIS PERFUME ON MY BODY, SHE DID IT TO PREPARE ME FOR BURIAL.**
- **(MAT 26:6-12)**