

# WELCOME TO HAVEN

May 5, 2024

*Welcome*

*Worship Songs*

*"Who You Say I Am"*

*"God is Able"*

*Prayer*

*Scripture for Today*

*Genesis 22:1-12 (NIV)*

*Message*

*"Ahead of the Curve: Fork in the Road"*

*Jack D. Cohen*

*Offering/Worship Song*

*"I Surrender"*

*\*Closing*



**AHEAD OF THE  
CURVE**

## AHEAD OF THE CURVE

## FORK IN THE ROAD

- We want to \_\_\_\_\_, we don't want to \_\_\_\_\_, we just don't always \_\_\_\_\_

"Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. – Genesis 22:1

- *Hineni*—"Here I am!"

- Your greatest \_\_\_\_\_ is your \_\_\_\_\_

"Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about." – Genesis 22:3

"Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?" "Yes, my son?" Abraham replied. "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together." – Genesis 22:7-8

"But the angel of the Lord called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son." – Genesis 22:11-12

- \_\_\_\_\_ leads you toward God; \_\_\_\_\_ drives you away from God

- God \_\_\_\_\_ what to do
- God wants me to \_\_\_\_\_

"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do." – James 1:22-25

## HOW DOES GOD SPEAK TO US?

- Sometimes God directs us \_\_\_\_\_

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." – 2 Timothy 3:16-17

"Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?" – Luke 6:46

- Sometimes God guides us \_\_\_\_\_

"For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God." – Romans 8:14

- Sometimes God grows us \_\_\_\_\_

"Abraham looked up and there in a thicket, he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place The Lord Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided." – Genesis 22:13-14

"Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I. ..." – Isaiah 58:9

"Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: [*Hineni*]. ..." – Isaiah 58:9