The Name of the Lord

Jehovah Jireh! – *Our Provider*

Genesis 22:1-14

Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." [2] ¶ Then He said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." [3] ¶ So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son; and he split the wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.[4] Then on the third day Abraham lifted his eyes and saw the place afar off. [5] And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the ladfn and I will go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you."

[6] ¶ So Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together. [7] But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" [8] ¶ And Abraham said, **"My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering."** So the two of them went together. [9] ¶ Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. [10] And Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. [11] ¶ But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" So he said, "Here I am." [12] ¶ And He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."

[13] ¶ Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son. [14] And **Abraham called the name of the place, The-LORD-Will-Provide; (Jehovah Jireh)** as it is said to this day, "In the Mount of the LORD **it shall be provided**."

Jehovah Jireh – My Provider

"Abraham called the name of the place,
The-LORD-Will-Provide; (Jehovah Jireh) Genesis 22:14

Introduction to His Name

Throughout the Old Testament God used Names, Descriptions and Titles to show who He is to His people. He wants His people to know He is able. He is the same, yesterday, today and forever. What he's done for others, he will do for you.

- Genesis 22:14 Jehovah Jireh – The Lord my Provider
- Exodus 15:26 Jehovah Rophe – The Lord my Healer
- Exodus 17:15 Jehovah Nissi – The Lord my Banner
- Psalm 23:1 Jehovah Rohi – God my Shepherd

1. God's Greatest Provision

Genesis 22:3-18 Provided a Sacrificial Lamb

"God himself will provide the lamb."
"Because you have not withheld your son, your only son…"
"On this mountain (Mt Moriah) it will be provided."

2. God's Provisions in Old Testament

- Adam's Provision
- Abraham's Provision
- Moses' Provisions
- Elijah's Provisions
- Elisha's Provisions

3. God's Provisions in New Testament

- Water into wine – John 2
- Catch of fish (2x) -
- Loaves and fishes (2x) -
- Tax money from a fish's mouth -

4. God's Promised Provisions for you

- Matthew 6:26-32 – *"Do not worry"*
- Matthew 6:33 – *"Seek first the kingdom of God"*
- Luke 6:32 – *"Give, it will be given to you…"*
- Luke 12:32 – *"Fear not little flock"*
- Philippians 4:13, 19 – *"He is able and He will…"*

Believing <u>in miracles</u> is different than <u>believing for</u> miracles.

Moses' Provisions in Wilderness

1. **Spoils from Egyptians – Ex 12:35-36**
2. **Crossing Red Sea on dry ground – Ex 14:21-31**
3. **Cloud by day and pillar of fire by night – Ex 13:20-22, Ex 14:19-22**
4. **Bitter Waters healed – Ex 15:23-25**
5. **Manna provided 40 years – Ex 16:14-35**
6. **Quails provided in abundance – Ex 16:13**
7. **Water from Rock at Rephidim 1 – Ex 17:5-7**
8. **Victory over Amelek – Ex 17:9-13**
9. **Water from Rock at Meribah 2 – Num. 20:8-11**
10. **Healing Bronze Serpent – Num. 21:4-9**
11. **Healing of Miriam's leprosy – Num. 12:10-15**
12. **10 Commandments by finger of God – Ex 31:18**
13. **Clothes and shoes did not wear out – Deut. 8:4, 29:5, Neh. 9:21**
14. **Health and Strength 40 years – Moses Deut. 34:7, Caleb Josh. 14:11**

Miracles in the Career of Elijah:

1) Causing the rain the cease for 3 1/2 years (1Ki 17:1)
2) Being fed by the ravens (1Ki 17:4)
3) Miracle of the jar of flour and jug of oil (1Ki 17:14)
4) Resurrection of the widow's son (1Ki 17:22)
5) Calling of fire from heaven on the altar (1Ki 18:38)
6) Causing it to rain (1Ki 18:45)
7) Fire from heaven upon 50 soldiers, twice (2Ki 1:10)
8) Parting of the Jordan (2Ki 2:8)
9) Being caught up to heaven in a whirlwind (2Ki 2:11)

Miracles in the Career of Elisha: (12 are provisions)

1) *Double portion of Elijah's spirit & parting of the Jordan (2Ki 2:14)
2) *Healing of the bitter waters (2Ki 2:21)
3) Curse of the bears killing 42 youths (2Ki 2:24)
4) *Filling of the valley with water for soldiers (2Ki 3:17)
5) Deception of the Moabites with the valley of blood (2Ki 3:22)
6) *Unfailing jar of oil to pay a debt (2Ki 4:1-4)
7) *Birth of a son to the barren Shunammite woman (2 Ki 4:11-17)
8) *Resurrection of the Shunammite's son (2Ki 4:34)
9) *Healing of the poisoned stew (2Ki 4:41)
10) *Feeding of 100 with 20 barley loaves (2Ki 4:43)
11) *Healing of Naaman the leper (2Ki 5:14)
12) Cursing Gehazi with leprosy (2Ki 5:27)
13) *Floating of the axe head (2Ki 6:6)
14) Vision of the chariots of God (2Ki 6:17)
15) Syrian army with blindness (2Ki 6:18)
16) Arameans flee at the sound of chariots (2Ki 7:6)
17) *Provision after seven-year famine (2Ki 7:8-20)
18) *Shunammite woman's land restored (2 Ki 8:1-6)

God's Promised Provisions for you

Matthew 6:26-32 –Take no thought what you shall eat, or drink, not for your body what you will wear. Is not your life more than food, and your body more than clothes. Behold the fowl of the air; they neither sow nor reap, or gather into barns, yet your Father feeds them. Are you not better than them? Your heavenly Father knows you have need of these things.

Matthew 6:33 – *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

Luke 12:32 – *Fear not little flock. It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.*

Luke 6:32 – *Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."*

Philippians 4:19 – *And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus .*

I Peter 5:7 – *Cast all your anxiety (care) on him because he cares for you.*

Romans 4:17-22
17 As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations."He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not. 18 Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." 19 Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. 20 Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, 21 being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. 22 This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness."

Stories of Personal Provisions

- *Story of miracle bread – wonder bread*
- *Christmas with no presents – Brazil*
- *UPG research, money for computer $5,500*

Your Promised Provisions

Psalm 23:1 Because the Lord is my Shepherd, I have everything I need!

Psalm 34:10 Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry, but those of us who reverence the Lord will never lack any good thing.

Psalms 37:16 Better is the little of the righteous than the abundance of many wicked.

Psalm 37:25 I have been young and now I am old. And in all my years I have never seen the Lord forsake a man who loves him; nor have I seen the children of the godly go hungry.

Psalm 66:12 You sent troops to ride across our broken bodies. We went through fire and flood. But in the end, you brought us into wealth and great abundance.

Psalm 84:11 For Jehovah God is our Light and our Protector. He gives us grace and glory. No good thing will he withhold from those who walk along his paths.

Ecclesiastes 4:6 One hand full of rest is better than two fists full of labor and striving after wind.

Deuteronomy 8:18 But you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who is giving you power to make wealth, that He may confirm His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

Deuteronomy 28:5-6 These are the blessings that will come upon you: Blessings in the city, Blessings in the field; Many children, Ample crops, Large flocks and herds;

Proverbs 15:16 Better is a little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and turmoil with it.

Proverbs 11:28 He who trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like the green leaf.

Proverbs 28:20 A faithful man will abound with blessings, but he who makes haste to be rich will not go unpunished.

Job 42:12 So the Lord blessed Job at the end of his life more than at the beginning.

Proverbs 3:9-10 Honor the Lord by giving him the first part of all your income, and he will fill your barns with wheat and barley and overflow your wine vats with the finest wines

Proverbs 11:24-25 It is possible to give away and become richer! It is also possible to hold on too tightly and lose everything.

Proverbs 28:27 If you give to the poor, your needs will be supplied!

Mark 10:29-30 Jesus said, There is no man that has left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time

James 2:5 Listen, my beloved brethren: did not God choose the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?

George Mueller' Illustrations

Miraculous provision for orphans

- ❖ Breakfast: In a famous example, the children and staff had no food for breakfast. After Mueller led them in prayer, a baker arrived minutes later with bread, and a milkman followed soon after with fresh milk that had been miraculously delivered after his cart broke down.
- ❖ Sustaining the work: Over his lifetime, Mueller cared for over 10,000 orphans, built five large orphan houses, and established 117 schools, all funded solely through prayer. He is reported to have never asked for money or gone into debt.
- ❖ Continued provision: Even after his death, the orphanages continued to receive miraculous support, such as a shipment of bananas arriving just in time for a picnic after they were no longer affordable.

Miraculous provision for his ministry

- Travel: While crossing the Atlantic in 1877, Mueller was on a ship caught in thick fog. After praying, the fog lifted, allowing him to reach his destination on time.
- Finances: Mueller's ministry received millions of dollars in donations, equivalent to over $129 million in today's currency, without him ever borrowing money or asking for contributions.

Mueller's approach to miracles

- Faith-based trust: Mueller never asked for money or went into debt, believing that it was unscriptural and that God would provide for every need as it arose.
- Prayer and gratitude: He led his followers in thanking God for provision before they had received it, based on his belief that God would answer their prayers.
- Prayer journals: Mueller kept detailed records of his prayers and their answers, which he saw as a testament to God's faithfulness and a way to increase his own gratitude.