

# Stewardship is . . . . . . to know God will provide.

In the testing of Abraham, God told him to sacrifice his son, his only son, Isaac. Abraham obeyed and set out to do what God had commanded him to do, trusting that all things would work out to the glory of God and believing, even in the resurrection.

On their way, Isaac asks where is the lamb to be sacrificed. Abraham answered, “God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son” (Gen. 22:8). With these words Abraham acknowledged that all things come from God. God is the giver, we are the given to. God gives even those things we give back to him.

We talk about giving our first fruits, our tithes and our offerings. Often, we feel good about bringing these things to the Lord. And that is good, but do we consciously realize and acknowledge, as Abraham, that God is the one who is providing?

When we bring our first fruits, tithes, and offerings to the Lord we are not bringing something that we have somehow earned, deserved, created, or own, rather we are merely bring to the Lord something which, in one way or another, He has first given and provided for us to bring.

How the Lord rejoices when we come to Him, bringing our first fruits, tithes and offerings, acknowledging that we are bringing only what He has provide for us to bring to Him. And so we bring those things He provides us to bring saying, “To God be the glory.”