



# UNDER THE SURFACE

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### Part 3: *The Wall*

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#### **Big Idea**

What feels like the end is often where God begins.

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#### **Key Scriptures**

- **Genesis 22:2-3, 9-14**
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#### **Discussion Questions**

- If you could choose one metaphor for what life feels like right now (a race, a storm, a mountain, etc.), what would it be?
- What's the toughest "wall" you've ever hit physically—like in sport, exercise, or even work?
- When you feel stuck or overwhelmed, are you more likely to push harder or shut down?
- Chris said: "We all hit walls in life." What kinds of walls have you seen people face?
- Why do you think it's so easy to interpret a "wall" as failure instead of seeing it as part of following Jesus?
- Pete Scazzero defines the wall as "where faith, expectations, and emotional limits collide." How have you experienced that collision?

- **Read Genesis 22:2-3.** What do you think Abraham must have felt hearing this from God?
    - In verse 3, Abraham obeys without hesitation. What does that say about his trust? How does that challenge us?
  - **Read Genesis 22:9-14.** What stands out most to you in this story?
    - Verse 14 says Abraham named the place “The Lord Will Provide.” How might naming moments in our lives help us remember God’s faithfulness?
  - How does Abraham’s “wall” point us toward the cross of Jesus?
  - Why is it significant that God provided a ram in Isaac’s place? How does this connect to Jesus being our substitute?
  - Of the four steps (Choose, Call it Out, Commit, Connect), which one do you find most challenging right now?
  - How can naming the wall you’re facing help you let God meet you there?
  - Who is one trusted person you could invite into your journey right now?
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### **Challenge Question (For Takeaway):**

- This week, identify one “wall” in your life. Write it down.
- Spend time in prayer naming it honestly to God.
- Share it with a trusted friend or mentor, and ask them to pray with you as you press through it.