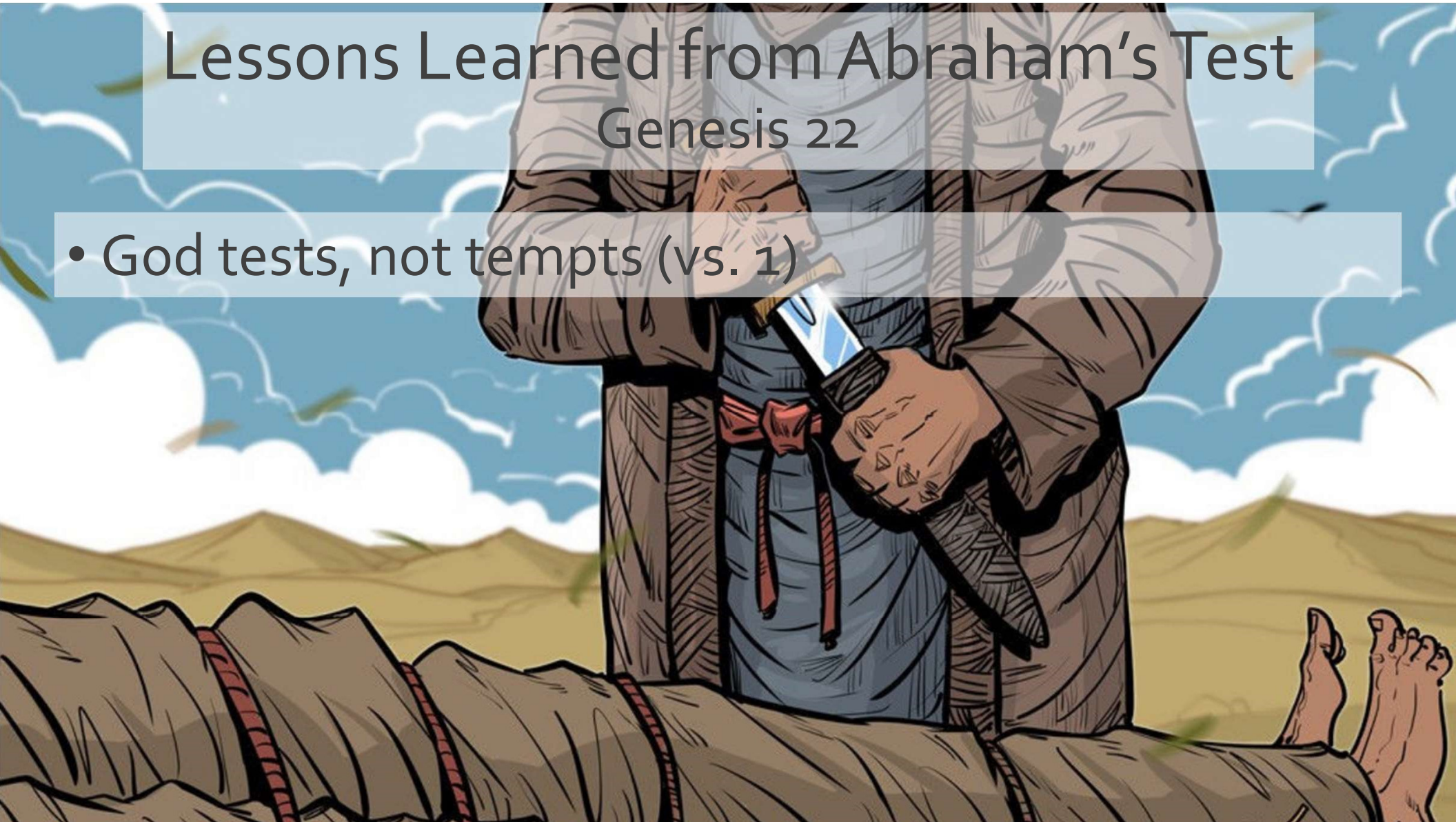


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## Deuteronomy 8:2<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

"And you shall remember that the LORD your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not.

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Proverbs 17:3<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, But the LORD tests the hearts.

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James 1:13-15<sup>(NKJV)</sup>

Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

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Luke 22:31<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat.

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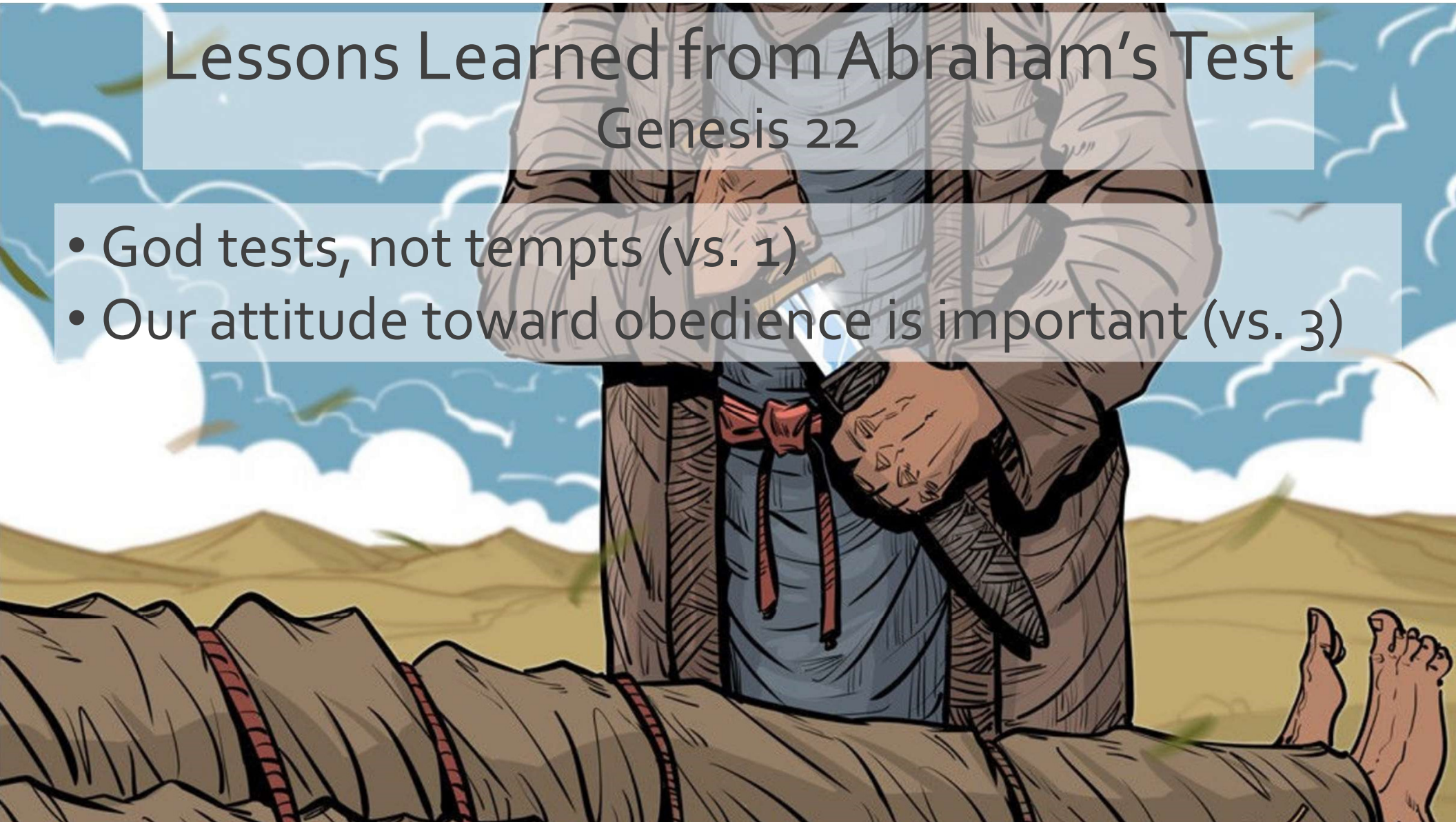
Luke 14:19<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

"And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.'

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Matthew 22:37-39<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

Jesus said to him, " 'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' "This is the first and great commandment. "And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'



Our attitude toward obedience is important

Psalm 119:14-16<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

I have rejoiced in the way of Your testimonies, As much as in all riches. I will meditate on Your precepts, And contemplate Your ways. I will delight myself in Your statutes; I will not forget Your word.

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Psalm 40:8<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

I delight to do Your will, O my God, And Your law is within my heart.

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I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

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## II Chronicles 3:1<sup>(NKJV)</sup>

Now Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the LORD had appeared to his father David, at the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

God understands what he asks of us

John 15:13<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

"Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends."

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John 13:34<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.



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Hebrews 4:15<sup>(NKJV)</sup>

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.



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I Peter 1:6,7 (NKJV)

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,

Difficult challenges give us an opportunity to demonstrate our faith

Hebrews 12:1<sup>(NKJV)</sup>

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,



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I Corinthians 2:9<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

But as it is written: Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.

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I Timothy 4:8<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

An illustration of Abraham in a desert landscape. He is shown from the waist up, wearing a brown robe and a sash. He is holding a sword in his right hand and a scroll in his left. The background shows a blue sky with white clouds and a yellow desert landscape with rolling hills. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent white box.

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