

## **Our Heavenly Father Knoweth – 052905**

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Now in the 22<sup>nd</sup> chapter of Genesis, Isaac asked Abraham, the 7<sup>th</sup> verse: My father, and he said here am I my son and he said behold the fire and the wood but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? My, didn't Isaac put his dad on the spot as they say? Where is the lamb? What a poignant question? And the answer, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering. So they went both of them together to the place of sacrifice. God will provide himself a lamb. My dear friends we are given much to looking upon the circumstances. On one occasion when these big retreat, in those days it was not as big of course there was a cyclone which hit the region just north, washed away certain populous villages and it produced a tidal wave which swept many people out to a watery grave and communications were seriously disrupted. Railway lines were washed away, roads heavily damaged, at that time one of the leading evangelists, he was a mighty preacher, he came to me and said brother we have no notion how things are back in our homes and the retreat is closing today. What would you say? What are we to do? I simply said to him our heavenly father knoweth. He knows. You proceed to the station, the rail station and they did. You see it was not just one or two people, it was hundreds of them. The train services had just resumed and they all got back to their places and no casualties or deaths which affected the fellowship in those regions had taken place. Though those regions were hard by the sea, miraculous interventions by god were experienced. You see folks we cannot prosecute this warfare of the strength of our own devices. We need faith and I constantly look to god and to teach me more and real faith. You see this thought grips me. you know you would work on your plane, just your level. A child works on the child's level. That's all you could expect. And when god works we feel his so incapacitated that he can hardly work. We don't even feel that it is simply normal that he should work at his level, at the supernatural level. The level of which completely blows our minds. Now I want to see god work at that level. Challenges come to us continually. I am sure many of you are tested and challenged in many areas and especially when the attack is on in the home front, the family arena, it is very hard. That is where you need the greatest degree of faith. We need it. I need it. Some time ago, just about two weeks ago I decided suddenly one Sunday and informed a center which I had not visited

for quite some time, I said, this evening, god willing, I will be preaching there. I did not make this a public announcement because I didn't really wish to see too many new people. I wanted to see the congregation which met and a man came out of the congregation with his wife and he said to me 22yrs ago my wife had cancer and you prayed and the lord healed her. You know my dear friends, cancer is claiming so many people and I say to the Lord what difference does, is there between mere head ache and a cancer to you? What difference does it make? To us of course, it seems as though, now this is terminal. Now I feel greatly encouraged when I hear and see that the lord is still with us. You might think that I am very pessimistic, No. The history of revival moments show that people arrive at a comfort zone down the years and you feel we have arrived and that's the end of the blessing and so I say to people what we have done is nothing. Give unto the lord the glory due unto his name is what the bible requires. Have we done it? No. And we present to god a substandard product and we say this is all you purchased at Calvary. What a grievous insult, No. Jehovah-Jireh, he is still working and he is graciously working. You know I wish I could say this in an un announced meeting where a lot of people had gathered by just a word of mouth and if there are not more people here probably that word of mouth is missing here. Just the word of mouth had brought a lot of people and in the course of that address I said take away that word "impossible" from your vocabulary. Well, a year after when I was preaching again at that place, you know which received the carpet bombing in the far eastern corner, a woman was looking to see me and she seemed to be so keen to see me. I wondered what she wanted to speak, however I stopped and listened to her and this is what she said, year ago I heard you say this, take away the word impossible from your vocab, I had left a baby whom I could not feed because I simply was unable to breast feed my baby, there was no possibility and so while I was returning home I said lord, this is what I heard, take the word impossible out of your mind, so when I got home I grabbed my baby and breast I fed her. Faith! Don't we dishonor god by our lack of faith. Jehovah-Jireh. You know some times people come to me with distressing news and all kinds of pressing needs, I tell them Jehovah-Jireh is still with us. That's his name. That's what he stands for. God will provide. So whatever our need, your individual need today let us look away to Jesus and say you are more than sufficient for all my need.