



**International Baptist Church Eindhoven**

Your Christian Family Away From Home

**INTIMACY WITH GOD  
- THE MALE APPROACH -  
JAMES 2:14-24**

**Series 'Intimacy with God' #2**

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# INTIMACY WITH GOD

**24 July:**

**God's intimacy with us**

**7 August:**

**Intimacy with God - the male approach**

**21 August:**

**Intimacy with God - the female approach**



# FAITH IN ACTION

## James 2:14-24

- Love in practise: caring for poor (v14-16)
  - Showing faith by what we do (v17-18)
  - Faith is more than belief in truth (v19)
  - Faith is also about obedience (v20-22)
  - Abraham's faith in action = Genesis 15:6
- >>> FRIEND of God – James 2:23



# THE TESTING OF ABRAHAM

## Genesis 22

- God tests Abraham (v1)
- Abraham obeys and believes (v2-8)
- God provides (v14)
- God promises Abraham his blessings (v15-18)



# TESTING IN THE NT

- James 1:13-15 – God does not tempt – but..
- Matthew 4:1-11 - *‘Jesus was led by the Spirit.. to be tempted...’*
- Mark 14:36 - *‘Abba Father... everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will but what you will’*



# INTIMACY WITH GOD

1. Obedience leads to intimacy with God
  - *“You are my friends if you do what I command”  
John 15:14*
2. Testing is God’s way of drawing us near
  - *‘but with the temptation he will also provide a way out...’ 1 Corinthians 10:13 (HCSB)*

