Knife

The word *knife* is found 7 times in the KJV Bible. Weapons such as swords are mentioned more often. *Knife* has the very same meaning as it does today, and was used for many things. Perhaps the most important thought of *knife* is suggested from its *moral application* as an object used in the testing of Abraham’s faith.

We read in Genesis 22:6 that; “Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together”. Here we can morally learn that *fire* suggests *judgement* and the *knife* suggests the *offering up* of the life of a victim.

This, of course, pictures our blessed Lord Jesus Christ when He went to the cross. God’s judgement for our sin (and sins for those who believe) fell upon Him who was sinless, perfect, and spotless. Thus we read in 2 Cor.5:21; “He [Holy God] hath made Him [Jesus, Holy God the eternal Son] to be sin for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him”. This would answer to *fire*—God’s righteous and just judgement on sin.

We read in Acts2:23; “Him [Jesus], being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain”. When our blessed Lord Jesus offered up His life on the cross (man did not take it from Him), He, as Man, died. That is the moral application of *knife*.

Every blessing that is offered to man from God, is based on the death and shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who as perfect Man, offered up His life to God. Isaac was spared by God from being put to death by his father Abraham’s knife. The Lord Jesus was not spared—the *knife* as we may say in moral application, fell upon our precious Saviour.