

ISAIAH – The LORD is the Holy One of Israel
Lesson 8 – Outline
Deliverance and Restoration of Israel
Isaiah 40:1 – 48:22

Comfort My People – Verses 40:1 – 40:31

- * Prepare the way for the LORD (vs 40:1 – 40:5) –**
 - Speak tenderly to her (vs 40:1-2)
 - Hear a prophetic voice in the desert (vs 40:3)
 - See the glorious return of the LORD (vs 40:4-5)
- * The word of our God stands forever (vs 40:6 – 40:12) –**
 - Surely the people are grass (vs 40:6-8)
 - See the Sovereign LORD comes with power (vs 40:9-12)
- * Who has understood the mind of the LORD? (vs 40:13 – 40:20) –**
 - Before Him all the nations are as nothing (vs 40:13-17)
 - To whom will you compare God? (vs 40:18-20)
- * Do you not know? Have you not heard? (vs 40:21 – 40:31) –**
 - Have you not understood since creation? (vs 40:21-27):
 - God sits enthroned (vs 40:22)
 - He stretches out the heavens like a canopy (vs 40:22)
 - He brings princes and rulers to nothing (vs 40:23-24)
 - Who is His equal? (vs 40:25)
 - He calls the stars by name (vs 40:26)
 - God has not disregarded Israel (vs 40:27)
 - That the LORD is everlasting (vs 40:28-31):
 - He will not grow tired or weary (vs 40:28)
 - His understanding no one can fathom (vs 40:28)
 - He gives strength to the weary, even youths (vs 40:29-30)
 - Those who hope in the LORD/wait upon Him/ will renew their strength (vs 40:31)
 - They will soar like eagles, not grow weary and not be faint (vs 40:31)

The LORD of History Chose Israel – Verses 41:1 – 42:9

- * Be silent before Me (vs 41:1 – 41:7) –**
 - Let the nations meet together at the place of judgment (vs 41:1)
 - The LORD subdues kings, calling forth the generations from the beginning (vs 41:2-7)
- * The LORD has chosen and not rejected Israel (vs 41:8 – 41:17) –**
 - Israel are descendants of Abraham, God's friend (vs 41:8)
 - Israel is God's servant and He is with them (vs 41:9-10)
 - Those who oppose Israel will perish (vs 41:11-12)
 - The LORD, the Holy One of Israel, will help Israel (vs 41:13-14)
 - God will make Israel a threshing sledge against their enemies and He will not forsake them (vs 41:15-17)

- * The four “I will’s” of the Messianic Kingdom (vs 41:18 – 41:20) –
 - I will provide rivers and springs within the valleys (vs 41:18)
 - I will turn the desert into pools of water (vs 41:18)
 - I will put cedar, acacia, myrtle and olive trees in the desert (vs 41:19)
 - I will set pines, fir and cypress trees together (vs 41:19)
 - The LORD will do this so people may see, know, consider and understand that He has done this (vs 41:20)
- * Tell us what the future holds (vs 41:21 – 41:29) –
 - Present your case, tell us the former things, declare the things to come (vs 41:21-22)
 - Do something, whether good or bad that we will be filled with fear (vs 41:23)
 - Your works are utterly worthless (vs 41:24)
 - The LORD has stirred up one from the north who comes, no one foretold (vs 41:25-26)
 - The LORD gave Jerusalem a messenger of good-tidings, Isaiah, but no one to give counsel (vs 41:27-28)
 - They are all false, their deeds amount to nothing, their images are but wind and confusion (vs 41:29)
- * The Servant of the LORD (vs 42:1 – 42:9) –
 - I will put My Spirit on My Chosen One and He will bring justice to the nations (vs 42:1)
 - He will bring peace and establish justice on earth (vs 42:2-4)
 - The Creator has called You in righteousness to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes, to free captives and release those who sit in darkness (vs 42:5-7)
 - The LORD is My name! I will not give My glory to another (vs 42:8)
 - The former things have taken place and new things I declare; before they happen I announce them to you (vs 42:9)

Praise to the LORD – Verses 42:10 – 42:17

- * Sing to the LORD a new song (vs 42:10 – 42:12) –
 - His praise from the ends of the earth, from the sea and those in the islands (vs 42:10)
 - Let the desert and its towns like Kedar raise their voices; let Sela sing for joy (vs 42:11)
 - Let them give glory and praise to the LORD in the islands (vs 42:12)
- * The LORD will triumph over His enemies in the Day of the LORD (vs 42:13 – 42:15) –
 - He will march out like a mighty man, like a warrior will shout the battle cry (vs 42:13)
 - He will cry out, gasp and pant like a woman in childbirth (vs 42:14)
 - He will lay waste the mountains and hills, dry up vegetation, turn rivers into islands and dry up pools (vs 42:15)
- * The LORD will not forsake Israel (vs 42:16 – 42:17) –
 - He will lead and guide the blind (vs 42:16)
 - He will turn darkness into light and make rough places smooth (vs 42:16)
 - He will not forsake them (vs 42:16)
 - But those who trust in idols will be turned back in utter shame (vs 42:17)

Israel Became Blind and Deaf – Verses 42:18 – 42:25

- * Hear, you deaf; look, you blind, and see! (vs 42:18 – 42:20) –**
 - Who is blind, but My servant, and deaf like the messenger I send? (vs 42:18-19)**
 - Who is blind like the one committed to Me, like the servant of the LORD: (vs 42:19)**
 - You have seen many things but paid no attention (vs 42:20)**
 - Your ears are open, but you hear nothing (vs 42:20)**
- * For the sake of His righteousness He made His law great and glorious (vs 42:21)**
- * But His people were plundered and looted, trapped in pits, hidden away in prisons, became plunder and loot (vs 42:22) –**
 - No one to rescue them (vs 42:22)**
 - No one to say, “send them back”. (vs 42:22)**
- * Was it not the LORD Who handed Israel over to their enemies? (vs 42:23 – 42:25) –**
 - Which of you will listen or pay attention in time to come? (vs 42:23)**
 - Israel would not follow His ways or obey His laws (vs 42:24)**
 - So the LORD poured out on them His burning anger, the violence of war (vs 42:25)**
 - Though enveloped and consumed in flames, they did not understand or take it to heart (vs 42:25)**

The Lord Promised a Regathering and Renewal for Israel – Verses 43:1 – 44:5

- * I am the LORD, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior! (vs 43:1 – 43:9) –**
 - Fear not for I have redeemed you, you are Mine (vs 43:1)**
 - I will be with you (vs 43:2-4)**
 - I will regather you from the east, west, north and south (vs 43:5-7)**
 - Lead out the blind and deaf, gather all nations, bring their witnesses, testify to the truth (vs 43:8-9)**
- * You are My witnesses and My servant (vs 43:10 – 43:13) –**
 - So that you may know and believe Me and understand that I AM He (vs 43:10)**
 - Apart from Me there is no savior (vs 43:11)**
 - I have revealed, saved and proclaimed that I Am God (vs 43:12)**
 - From ancient days, I Am He (vs 43:13)**
- * I Am doing a new thing (vs 43:14 – 43:21) –**
 - The LORD will bring down Babylonian fugitives (vs 43:14)**
 - Remember how the LORD delivered Israel out of Egypt (vs 43:15-17)**
 - Do not dwell on the past for He has promised restoration (vs 43:18-21)**
- * You have not called on Me or wearied yourselves for Me, O Israel (vs 43:22 – 43:28) –**
 - You have not honored Me with your sacrifices and offerings but have burdened Me with your sins and offenses (vs 43:22-24)**
 - I am He who blots out your transgressions and remembers your sins no more (vs 43:25)**
 - Review your past, state your innocence for I will consign Israel to destruction and scorn (vs 43:26-28)**

- * But I will pour out My Spirit and My blessing on your descendants (vs 44:1 – 44:5) –
 - But now listen, Israel, My servant and chosen, I Who made you will help you (vs 44:1-2)
 - I will pour out My Spirit on your offspring (vs 44:3)
 - Your offspring will say, “I belong to the LORD” and will take the name Israel (vs 44:4-5)

The LORD will not forget Israel – Verses 44:6 – 44:25

- * Apart from Me there is no God (vs 44:6 – 44:8) –
 - The LORD Almighty is the first and the last (vs 44:6)
 - Let Him foretell what will come (vs 44:7)
 - You are My witnesses. Is there any God besides Me? (vs 44:8)
- * All who make idols are worthless and ignorant (vs 44:9 – 44:20) –
 - They fashion a god and worship it (vs 44:9-17)
 - They know or understand nothing, their minds are closed (vs 44:18-20)
- * Remember, O Israel, I will not forget you (vs 44:21 – 44:28) –
 - I have made you, you are My servant, O Israel (vs 44:21)
 - I have swept away your sins like the morning mist (vs 44:22)
 - Return to Me, I have redeemed you (vs 44:22)
 - Sing for joy, shout aloud, the LORD displays His glory in Israel (vs 44:23)
 - Hear what the LORD says about Jerusalem (vs 44:24-28):
 - He made all things (vs 44:24)
 - He foils the signs of false prophets, makes fools of diviners (vs 44:25)
 - He fulfills the predictions of His messengers (vs 44:26)
 - He will restore Jerusalem and Judah by rebuilding (vs 44:26)
 - He says to the watery deep, “Be dry” (vs 44:27)
 - He says of Cyrus, “He is My shepherd and will accomplish all I please.” with Jerusalem and the temple rebuilt (vs 44:28)
- * The LORD promises to raise up Cyrus to be His anointed to set My exiles free (vs 45:1 – 45:13) –
- * Israel will be saved by the LORD with an everlasting salvation (vs 45:14 – 45:25) –
 - Egypt and Cush will surrender to Israel because God will be with Israel (vs 45:14)
 - Israel will be saved by the LORD to ages everlasting (vs 45:15-17)
 - Gather together and come, you fugitives from the nations (vs 45:18-20)
 - The LORD declared what is to be, long ago (vs 45:21)
 - Turn to Me and be saved, for I Am God, and there is no other (vs 45:22)
 - Before Me every knee will bow; by Me every tongue will swear (vs 45:23)
 - In the LORD alone are righteousness and strength (vs 45:24)
 - In the LORD all the descendants of Israel will be found righteous and will exult (vs 45:25)

The Decline and Fall of Babylon Prophesied – Verses 46:1 – 47:15

- * Who are the gods of Babylon? (vs 46:1 – 46:2 & 46:6 – 46:7) –**
 - Bel and Nebo are their names (vs 46:1)**
 - Their idols are borne by beasts of burden (vs 46:1)**
 - They are unable to rescue the weary from their burden but go off into captivity (vs 46:2)**
 - Idols are made of gold or silver to be worshipped (vs 46:6)**
 - Idols do not answer the cries of the burdened or save them from their troubles (vs 46:7)**
- * Listen to Me, all who remain of the house of Israel (vs 46:3 – 46:5 & 46:8 – 46:13) –**
 - I have upheld you since you were conceived and birthed (vs 46:3)**
 - I have made you, carried you, sustained you and will rescue you (vs 46:4)**
 - To whom will you compare Me? (vs 46:5)**
 - Remember and take it to heart the former things for I Am God and there is none like Me! (vs 46:8-9)**
 - I make known the end from the beginning. My purpose will stand and I will do all that I please (vs 46:10)**
 - What I have said I will bring about and what I have planned I will do! (vs 46:11)**
 - Listen to Me, I will grant salvation to Zion, My splendor to Israel (vs 46:12-13)**
- * The LORD Almighty will take vengeance on the Daughter of Babylon (vs 47:1 – 47:15) –**
 - Virgin Daughter of Babylon your nakedness and shame will be exposed and uncovered. I will spare no one (vs 47:1-3)**
 - This judgment is prophesied by Our Redeemer – the LORD Almighty is His name – is the Holy One of Israel (vs 47:4)**
 - Daughter of Babylon, no more will you be called queen of kingdoms (vs 47:5)**
 - I was angry with My people but you showed them no mercy. You did not consider these things or reflect upon what might happen (vs 47:6-7)**
 - Listen you wanton creature, in spite of your sorceries and potent spells, your wisdom and knowledge mislead you when you say to yourself, “I am, and there is none besides me.” (vs 47:8-10)**
 - Disaster, calamity and catastrophe will suddenly come upon you (vs 47:11)**
 - Keep on with your magic spells and sorceries. Let your astrologers and stargazers with their predictions save you from what is coming upon you (vs 47:12-13)**
 - Surely the fire will burn them up, they cannot even save themselves from the power of the flame (vs 47:14)**
 - These you have labored with and trafficked with since childhood goes on in his error and not one can save you (vs 47:15)**

The LORD Exhorts His People Israel – Verses 48:1 – 48:22

*** Israel, I knew how stubborn you were (vs 48:1 – 48:11) –**

- You take oaths in the name of the LORD and invoke the God of Israel but not in truth or righteousness (vs 48:1-2)**
- I foretold the former things long ago, made them known, I acted and they came to pass (vs 48:3-5)**
- From now on I will tell you of new things, hidden things (vs 48:6-7)**
- For My name's sake I delay My wrath, so not to cut you off (vs 48:8-9)**
- I have refined you in the furnace of affliction (vs 48:10)**
- For My own sake, I do this; I will not yield My glory to another (vs 48:11)**

*** The Sovereign LORD has sent Me with His Spirit (vs 48:12 – 48:22) –**

- Listen Israel, whom I have called: I Am He, the first and the last (vs 48:12)**
- I laid the foundations of the earth (vs 48:13)**
- The LORD's chosen ally will carry out his purpose against Babylon; I have not spoken in secret (vs 48:14-16)**
- Your Redeemer teaches you and directs in the way you should go (vs 48:17)**
- If only you had paid attention to My commands (vs 48:18-19)**
- Leave Babylon, the LORD has redeemed His servant Jacob like in the deserts (vs 48:20-21)**
- "There is no peace for the wicked." says the LORD (vs 48:22)**

