

Isaiah: Behold Your God!

**The Servant is a Light to the Gentiles
Lesson 10
Isaiah 40-42**

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Isaiah, Part 1

- ▶ What historical event led Isaiah to write this prophecy?
 - The Assyrian invasion of the middle east
- ▶ What are the 2 themes of Isaiah?
 - Behold your God!
 - The just shall live by faith!
- ▶ What is the main message of Isaiah?
 - The nation is hopelessly in sin
 - “What more was there to do for My vineyard?” (5:4)
 - Assyria will invade and destroy Judah
 - Jerusalem will be spared from destruction by Assyria
 - The Assyrian invasion is a true picture of the last days
- ▶ Book 1 ends with the LORD protecting Jerusalem as promised

Isaiah, Part 2

- ▶ Preview of question next week:
 - What historical event led Isaiah to write this prophecy?
 - Judah's captivity in Babylon and their deliverance
- ▶ Behold your God – new lessons from a new perspective
- ▶ Outline of Isaiah – The Book of Comfort (40-66)
 - Isaiah 40-48: Comfort in the Sovereign God
 - Isaiah 49-59: Comfort in God the Deliverer
 - Isaiah 60-66: Comfort in the Kingdom of God

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Isaiah 40-42

- ▶ Isaiah 40 – The greatness of God
- ▶ Isaiah 41 – A challenge to make a decision: God or idol
- ▶ Isaiah 42 – The lovingkindness of the great God

Isaiah 40 – The Greatness of God

- ▶ 1. A call to listen (40:1-11)
 - A message of comfort for “My people” (40:1-2)
 - 1st voice (40:3-5) – Prepare the way of the LORD
 - 2nd voice (40:6-8) – All flesh is grass
 - 3rd voice (40:9-11) – Behold your God
- ▶ 2. The incomparable God (40:12-26)
 - His greatness (40:12-17)
 - To whom can you compare Him? (40:18-20)
 - His sovereign rule (40:21-26)

Isaiah 40 – The Greatness of God

- ▶ 3. The goodness of God (40:27-31)
 - The unbelief of Israel (40:27) – ignorance
 - Behold your God (40:28-30) – the goodness of God
 - A call to faith in God (40:31) – wait for the LORD

Isaiah 41– A Time to Decide

- ▶ 1. A challenge to the nations (41:1-7)
 - Who has aroused one from the east? (41:2-4)
 - The nations are afraid (41:5-7)
- ▶ 2. The servant of the LORD (41:8-20)
 - Jacob is the chosen servant (41:8-13)
 - A worm (41:14-16)
 - The poor and needy in a dry desert (41:17-20)
- ▶ 3. The time to decide (41:21-29)
 - The abomination of idolatry (41:21-24)
 - All of them are false (41:25-29)

Isaiah 42 – The Lovingkindness of God

- ▶ 1. The Servant of the LORD (42:1-13)
 - His work (42:1-4)
 - His deity (42:5-9)
- ▶ 2. The end of the silence of God (42:14-17)
- ▶ 3. A call to the deaf and the blind (42:18-25)
 - The servant of the LORD (42:18-19)
 - The righteous judgment of the LORD (42:20-25)

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- ▶ Behold the only God!
- ▶ Wait upon Him