A Trek Through Isaiah 43 - Prophecies of Christ

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Prayer

Introduction

For today: Prophecies of Christ in Isaiah

All of the book is about the coming Messiah: King, Servant, Conqueror.

We will look at particular passages that have been identified as portraying Christ

Is 6:1-3 In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. 2 Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. 3 And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

- In the year that good King Uzziah died.
- Isaiah's vision of the LORD.
 - On a throne
 - High and lifted up
 - o Holy
 - o Glorious

Jn 12:41 Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him.

- John says that Isaiah saw the glory of Christ
- The preincarnate Christ.

Is 6:9-10 And he said, "Go, and say to this people: "'Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive.' 10 Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed."

- Isaiah's call.
- He will preach the word of the LORD.
- The effect of his message will be to harden hearts.

Mt 13:13-15 This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. 14 Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says: "You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive." 15 For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.

- V14 Jesus references the Isaiah prophecy
- He brings the message of life
- The people close their eyes, ears, heart.
 They will not understand and turn to Him and be healed.

Is 7:13-14 And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? 14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

- Isaiah told Ahaz to request a sign, but Ahaz refused, since he intended to trust in Assyria rather than in Yahweh.
- Isaiah speaks to the assembled court.
 They are denying the promise of God to maintain the throne of David, so God will reconfirm the covenant with a sign to the house of David.
- The virgin shall conceive and bear a son
 - Woman will be a virgin and a good woman.
 - O A miraculous birth.
- The son will be called "God with us"
- From the context: the son will sit on the throne of David.

Lk 1:30-35 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." 34 And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?" 35 And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

- Mary, a virgin, will have a son.
- The child will be the Son of God.
- He will save His people from their sins.
- He will sit on the throne of David.
- There will be no end to His reign.

Is 8:14 And he will become a sanctuary and a stone of offense and a rock of stumbling to both houses of Israel, a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. 15 And many shall stumble on it. They shall fall and be broken; they shall be snared and taken."

- Isaiah is warned not to fear what the people fear (Israel and Syria), but to fear the LORD.
- For the believer: He will be a sanctuary.
- For the unbeliever: He will be a rock of stumbling.

1 Pet 2:7-8 but for those who do not believe, ... "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

- Peter encouraging believers to stand firm.
- Quotes Isaiah to contrast unbelievers who stumble because they disobey the word of God.

Jn 6:53-60, 66 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. 55 For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ...59 Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum. 60 When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?"... 66 After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him.

- After the feeding of the five thousand.
- Jesus speaking to professing disciples who really followed Him for bread.
- He says they must eat His flesh and drink His blood. Referring to His crucifixion.
- They can not accept this saying and turn away from Him.

Is 9:1 But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

• Galilee to be made glorious

Mt 4:12-16 Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. 13 And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 15 "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—16 the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned."

- After John the Baptist is arrested, Jesus withdraws to Galilee.
- He lives in Capernaum, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali.

Is 9:6-7 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

- a child is born. Humanity.
- a son is given. Deity.
- the government shall be upon his shoulder
- Wonderful Counselor. Wisdom.
- Mighty God. Might.
- Everlasting Father. Shepherd.
- Prince of Peace. Making peace.
- Eternal
- On the throne of David

Lk 1:31-33 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

- A human child. Son of God
- On the throne of David. Eternal rule

Lk 4:22 And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth

Mt 13:54 they were astonished, and said, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these mighty works?

- Jesus teaching at the synagogue in Capernaum.
- Wonderful Counselor: They marvel at His gracious words and wisdom.

Heb 1:3 ...he upholds the universe by the word of his power

• He is Mighty God

Jn 10:11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

He is Everlasting Father. The good shepherd

Ro 5:1 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Eph 2:17 And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.

- He is the Prince of Peace
- Made peace with God. Preaches peace to all

Is 11:1-2 There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. 2 And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

- From the stump of Jesse
- the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,
 - o wisdom and understanding
 - o counsel and might
 - knowledge and the fear of the LORD

Mt 1:1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David...

• The son of David the son of Jesse

Mt 3:16-17 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

 At Jesus' baptism, the Spirit of God comes to Him

Is 11:3 And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

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Jn 8:28-29 So Jesus said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father taught me. I always do the things that are pleasing to him.

- Jesus' delight is in the fear of the LORD.
 - He always speaks and acts according to the will of the Father.

Is 11:4-5 he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. 5 Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

- he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked
- Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist
- faithfulness the belt of his loins

Jn 8:7-9 And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." 8 And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. 9 But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him.

- To trap Jesus, the Jewish leaders bring the woman caught in adultery.
- Jesus strikes them with the rod of His mouth (His words). No force.
- They are ashamed and go away.

Jn 8:46 Which one of you convicts me of sin?

- The Jews accuse Jesus of doing miracles by Beelzebul. He tells them that they are not children of Abraham, but children of the devil.
- Righteousness is the belt of his waist, so none can convict Him of sin.

Jn 13:1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

• Faithfulness is the belt of his loins

Is 28:16 therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am the one who has laid as a foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation: 'Whoever believes will not be in haste.'

- Ephraim was trusting in their own strength.
- Isaish urges trust in the LORD.
- Uses a picture from building construction
 - Cornerstone
 - Sure foundation

Acts 4:11-12 This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. 12 And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

- Jesus is the cornerstone.
- Whoever believes in Him will be saved.

1 Cor 3:11 For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

• Jesus Christ is the sure foundation.

Is 29:13-14 And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, 14 therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden."

- There will be hypocritical worship.
- God will do a wonder with His people.
- Their human wisdom will perish.

Mt 15:6-9 For the sake of your tradition you have made void the word of God. 7 You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: 8 " 'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; 9 in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.'"

- Jesus replies to an accusation about hand washing.
- Jewish worship was hypocritical: with their traditions, the Jews had made void the word of God.

Ro 11:33-36 Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! 34 "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" 35 "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" 36 For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

- Ro 9-11 describes how God will fulfill His promises to Israel.
- Now Paul celebrates the wonder

1 Cor 1:18-19 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

- Paul quotes from Isaiah 29
- The cross of Christ destroys the wisdom of the wise.
 - o Folly to those perishing
 - The power of God to those being saved

Is 35:2, 5-6 They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God...5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; 6 then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

• The glory of God would be shown in miracles of mercy.

Mt 11:2-6 Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples 3 and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" 4 And Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: 5 the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. 6 And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."

- From prison John sends disciples to Jesus to see if He is the Christ
- Jesus responds by quoting Isaiah 35.
 - My works are fulfilling the prophecy
 - I have not come as a king or conqueror.

Is 40:3-5 A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. 4 Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. 5 And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

- A voice cries out
- Prepare the way of the LORD.
- The glory of the LORD shall be revealed.

Mt 3:1-3 In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, 2 "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." 3 For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.'"

- Is 40 quoted by Matthew to describe John the Baptist.
- John came preaching. A voice crying out.
- Preached repentance. Preparing the way of the LORD.

Mt 3:13, 16-17 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him....16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

- John baptized Jesus.
- His glory was revealed.

Is 42:1-4 Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. 2 He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; 3 a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. 4 He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

- The Servant is introduced
- He will not cry aloud or lift up His voice
- He will not grow faint
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Mt 12:15-21 Jesus, aware of this, withdrew from there. And many followed him, and he healed them all 16 and ordered them not to make him known. 17 This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: 18 "Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles. 19 He will not quarrel or cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets; 20 a bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not quench, until he brings justice to victory; 21 and in his name the Gentiles will hope."

- After Jesus heals a man on the Sabbath, the Pharisees seek to kill Him.
- Rather than confronting them, Jesus withdrew.
- His time had not yet come.

Is 42:6b I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,

- A covenant for the people (Israel)
- A light for the nations

Lk 2:29-32 ...he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, 29 "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; 30 for my eyes have seen your salvation 31 that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, 32 a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."

- Simeon had been told that he would not die until he had seen the Christ.
- When he sees Jesus in the temple, he recognizes Him as the One
 - A light for revelation to the Gentiles.
 - A glory to Israel

Is 50:5-9 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. 6 I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. 7 But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. 8 He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. 9 Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

- V5 Would be willing and not rebellious
- V6 Would not draw back from being beaten, tormented, disgraced before men, spat upon
- V7-9 Would entrust himself to God
- v7-9 Would not be put to shame but rather be vindicated.

Mt 26:39 And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will."

- In Gethsemane
- Jesus, knowing what was coming, was not rebellious and did not turn back.

1 Pet 2:23 When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.

- Jesus gave Himself to His tormentors.
- He entrusted Himself to the Father.

Ph 2:9-11 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- Jesus is not put to shame.
- He is exalted to be Lord of all.

Is 52:13 Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted.

- He will act wisely
- He will be exalted

Ph 2:9-11 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

• He is exalted to be Lord of all.

Is 52:14 As many were astonished at you— his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—

His appearance will be marred beyond recognition

Luke 22:63 Now the men who were holding Jesus in custody were mocking him as they beat him.

Beaten by the Jews

Mk 15:15 So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

Scourged by Pilate

Mk 15:16, 19 And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. ... 19 And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him...And they led him out to crucify him.

- Beaten by the Roman soldiers
- Crucified

Jn 19:34 But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water.

- Pierced
- Blood and water indicates internal damage

Is 52:15 so shall he sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand.

- He will sanctify many nations.
- They will come to understand.

Heb 1:13-14 For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, 14 how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

- Picture of OT purification from sin by sacrifice.
- Jesus' blood purifies our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Is 53:1-3 Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? 2 For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. 3 He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

- He will have no form, majesty, beauty.
- He will be despised and rejected by men.

Luke 4:22, 24, 28-30 And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ...24 And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown...

 When Jesus taught in the Synagogue at Nazareth, the people despised Him and eventually tried to kill HIm.

Mt 27:17-22 So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" ... And they said, "Barabbas." 22 Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified!"

When Jesus was on trial before Pilate,
 Pilate offered to release either Him or
 Barabbas. The crowd cried for Barabbas,
 to be released, and Jesus to be crucified.

Is 53:4-6 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5 But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

- He will bear the transgressions and iniquities of His people.
- He will be pierced and crushed for them.
- By His chastisement His people will be healed and given peace.

Ro 3:23-25 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

 Through the blood of Christ we are justified and redeemed.

Ro 5:1 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

 Being justified, we have peace with God through faith in Christ. Is 53:7-9 7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. 8 By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?...he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

- He would be oppressed unjustly
- He would be silent before His oppressors.
- He would be stricken for the transgressions of His people.
- He would have done no violence and have no deceit

1 Pet 2:21-24 For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. 22 He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. 23 When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. 24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

- Jesus was without sin or deceit
- He did not revile or threaten
- He bore our sins in his body on the tree.
- By His wounds we have been healed.

Is 53:9 And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death

- He would be counted a criminal.
- He would be buried with the rich.

Mt 27:38 ...two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left.

• Jesus was crucified between two robbers.

Mt 27:57-60 When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. 58 He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. 59 And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud 60 and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away.

 Joseph, a rich man from Arimathea, laid Jesus' body in his own new tomb. Is 53:10-11 10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. 11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

- He will be crushed by the will of the LORD.
- He will make an offering for guilt.
- His days will be prolonged and He will see His offspring.
- He will die.
- He will be numbered with the transgressors.
- He will bear the iniquities of many, and make intercession for them.

Jn 18:11 shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?

- In the garden when the soldiers came to arrest Him.
- Jesus acknowledges that what is happening is according to the will of the Father.

Mt 20:28 the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

• Jesus gave His life as a ransom for many,

Is 59:16-17, 20 He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no one to intercede; then his own arm brought him salvation, and his righteousness upheld him. 17 He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on his head; he put on garments of vengeance for clothing, and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak. ... 20 "And a Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who turn from transgression," declares the LORD.

- No man will be found to intercede
- The LORD will act to bring salvation.
- A Redeemer will come.

Eph 2:1, 4-5, 8-9 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ...4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ... 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

- We were dead in trespasses and sins
- Because of His great love, God made us alive together with Christ.
- By grace we have been saved through faith in Christ.

Eph 1:7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace

• Christ is our Redeemer.

Is 61:1-2a The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,

- The Spirit of the LORD will be upon Him.
- He will bring good news.
- He will bind up the brokenhearted
- He will proclaim liberty to the captives
- He will proclaim the year of the LORD's favor.

Luke 4:16-19 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. 17 And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, 18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, 19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

Jesus quoted Is 61 to describe Himself.

Mt 4:23 And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom...

• Jesus teaches the good news of the kingdom of God: the gospel.

Discussion

We will break into three groups to discuss today's passage:

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them....And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

1. What would Jesus have said about Himself from the book of Isaiah?

For next week: 37:8-38

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