## **Crystallization-Study Outlines** — Isaiah (2)

### Message Three

## Christ as the Servant of Jehovah Typified by Cyrus the King of Persia, Israel, and Isaiah

Scripture Reading: Isa. 41:2, 25; 45:13, 1; 48:14; 46:11; 44:28; 41:8-16; 42:1; 43:10; 44:1-5, 21; 46:13; 48:16; 49:1-4; 50:4-9

- Isa 41:2 Who has stirred up someone from the east, Called him in righteousness to His feet? He gave up the nations before him, And caused him to have dominion over kings. He gave them to his sword like the dust, Like the driven stubble to his bow.
- Isa 41:25 I have raised up one from the north and he has come; From the rising of the sun he will call upon my name. He will come upon rulers as upon mortar, As the potter treads the clay.
- Is a 45:13 I raised him up in righteousness, And will make straight all his ways; He will build My city, And send away My captives, Neither for a price nor for a reward, Says Jehovah of hosts.
- Isa 45:1 Thus says Jehovah to His anointed, To Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, To subdue the nations before him; And I will loosen the loins of kings; To open before him double doors So that the gates will not be shut:
- Isa 48:14 Assemble yourselves, all of you, and hear! Who among them has declared these things? Jehovah loves him; he will do His pleasure On Babylon, and His arm will be upon the Chaldeans.
- Isa 46:11 Who calls for a bird of prey from the east, And from a distant land a man to be His counselor. Indeed, I have spoken; surely I will bring it to pass. I have purposed; surely I will do it.
- Isa 44:28 Who says to Cyrus, He is My shepherd, And he will fulfill all My desire, Even by saying of Jerusalem, She will be built, And of the temple, Her foundations will be laid.
- Isa 41:8 But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, The seed of Abraham My friend;
- Isa 41:9 You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, And from its extremities have called, And said to you, You are My servant; I have chosen you and have not cast you away.
- Isa 41:10 Do not be afraid, for I am with you; Do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; surely I will help you; Surely I will uphold you with the right hand of My righteousness.
- Isa 41:11 Indeed all those who were increased against you Will be ashamed and confounded; The men who strive against you Will be as nothing and will perish.
- Isa 41:12 You will seek but not find The men who contend with you; The men who war with you Will be as nothing and as without existence.
- Isa 41:13 For I am Jehovah your God, Who takes hold of your right hand, Who says to you, Do not be afraid; I will help you.
- Isa 41:14 Do not be afraid, you worm Jacob, You few men of Israel; I will help you, declares Jehovah, Even your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.
- Isa 41:15 Now I will make you into a sharp threshing instrument, One that is new and possessing teeth. You shall thresh the mountains and make them powder, And you shall make the hills like chaff.
- Isa 41:16 You shall winnow them, and the wind will carry them away And the storm wind will scatter them. And you will rejoice in Jehovah, You will glory in the Holy One of Israel.
- Isa 42:1 Here is My Servant, whom I uphold, My chosen One in whom My soul delights; I have put My Spirit upon Him, And He will bring forth justice to the nations.
- Isa 43:10 You are My witnesses, declares Jehovah, And My servant whom I have chosen, In order that you may know and believe Me And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Neither will there be any after Me.
- Isa 44:1 But now hear, O Jacob, My servant, And Israel, whom I have chosen.
- Isa 44:2 Thus says Jehovah your Maker And the One who formed you from the womb, who will help you, Do not fear, O Jacob, My servant, And Jeshurun whom I have chosen,
- Isa 44:3 For I will pour water upon the thirsty land, And streams upon the dry ground; I will pour out My Spirit upon your seed, And My blessing upon your offspring.
- Isa 44:4 They will spring up among the grass, Like poplars beside the flowing streams of water.
- Isa 44:5 One will say, I am Jehovah's; Another will call himself by the name of Jacob; Another will write with his hand, I am Jehovah's; He will name himself with the name Israel.
- Isa 44:21 Remember these things, O Jacob, And Israel, for you are My servant. I have formed you; you are My servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me.
- Isa 46:13 I will bring My righteousness near—it is not far off; And My salvation will not delay; And I will give salvation in Zion, And to Israel My glory.
- Isa 48:16 Draw near to Me and listen to this: From the beginning I have not spoken in secret; From the time it took place, I was there. And now the Lord Jehovah Has sent me and His Spirit.
- Isa 49:1 Listen to me, O coastlands, And hearken, you peoples from afar. Jehovah has called me from the womb; From the bowels of my mother He has made mention of my name.

- Isa 49:2 And He has made my mouth like a sharp sword; He has concealed me in the shadow of His hand, And He has made me a polished arrow; He has hidden me in His quiver.
- Isa 49:3 And He said to me, You are My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
- Isa 49:4 But I said, I have labored in vain; I have used up my strength for nothing and vanity; Yet surely the justice due to me is with Jehovah, And my recompense with my God.
- Isa 50:4 The Lord Jehovah has given me The tongue of the instructed, That I should know how to sustain the weary with a word. He awakens me morning by morning; He awakens my ear To hear as an instructed one.
- Isa 50:5 The Lord Jehovah has opened my ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn back.
- Is a 50:6 I gave my back to those who strike me And my cheeks to those who pluck out the hair; I did not hide my face From humiliation and spitting.
- Isa 50:7 The Lord Jehovah helps me; Therefore I have not been dishonored; Therefore I have set my face like a flint, And I know that I will not be put to shame.
- Isa 50:8 The One who justifies me is near; who will contend with me? Let us stand up together! Who is my adversary in judgment? Let him come near to me.
- Isa 50:9 Indeed, the Lord Jehovah helps me, Who is the one who condemns me? Indeed, they will all wear out like a garment; The moth will consume them.

#### I. In Isaiah 41 through 66 Christ is revealed as the Servant of Jehovah:

- A. In the book of Isaiah Christ as the Servant of Jehovah is typified by three persons—by a Gentile king, Cyrus the king of Persia; by God's chosen corporate people, Israel; and by the prophet Isaiah; all three were God's servants in the sense of a type.
- B. Cyrus, Israel, and Isaiah all did the same thing to please God by serving to release God's people, to build up God's house, the temple, and to build up God's kingdom, signified by the city of Jerusalem; thus, they all typify Christ as God's Servant—Luke 4:18-21; Matt. 16:18-19.
  - Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to announce the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to send away in release those who are oppressed,
  - Luke 4:19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, the year of jubilee."
  - Luke 4:20 And when He rolled up the scroll and gave *it* back to the attendant, He sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him.
  - Luke 4:21 And He began to say to them, Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.
  - Matt 16:18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.
  - Matt 16:19 I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of the heavens, and whatever you bind on the earth shall have been bound in the heavens, and whatever you loose on the earth shall have been loosed in the heavens.
- C. All who are in Christ (1 Cor. 1:30) and who are thus one with Christ to release God's people and to build up His house and His kingdom are servants of God; those who are one with Christ have become a great corporate Christ (12:12; Col. 3:10-11), the same as the individual Christ in being the testimony and servant of God:
  - 1 Cor 1:30 But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became wisdom to us from God: both righteousness and sanctification and redemption,
  - 1 Cor 12:12 For even as the body is one and has many members, yet all the members of the body, being many, are one body, so also is the Christ.
  - Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,
  - Col 3:11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.
  - 1. We need to be one with Christ to release God's people from the captivity of Satan back to the enjoyment of God as their possession; our preaching of the gospel is to release these captives to make them the sons of God, the members of Christ, and the constituents of the new man—Isa. 61:1-2; Luke 4:18-21; Matt. 12:28-29; Gal. 3:26; Rom. 12:4-5; Col. 3:10-11.
    - Isa 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord Jehovah is upon Me, Because Jehovah has anointed Me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent Me to bind up the wounds of the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the eyes to those who are bound;

- Isa 61:2 To proclaim the acceptable year of Jehovah And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn;
- Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to announce the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to send away in release those who are oppressed,
- Luke 4:19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, the year of jubilee."
- Luke 4:20 And when He rolled up the scroll and gave *it* back to the attendant, He sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him.
- Luke 4:21 And He began to say to them, Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.
- Matt 12:28 But if I, by the Spirit of God, cast out the demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.
- Matt 12:29 Or how can anyone enter into the house of the strong man and plunder his goods unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will thoroughly plunder his house.
- Gal 3:26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
- Rom 12:4 For just as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function,
- Rom 12:5 So we who are many are one Body in Christ, and individually members one of another.
- Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,
- Col 3:11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.
- 2. We need to be one with Christ to release God's people from Babylon (apostate Christendom) and the principle of Babylon; anything that is Babylonian gives Satan the ground to defeat the people of God—Isa. 48:20; 41:21-29; Rev. 17:3-5; Josh. 7:21.
  - Isa 48:20 Come out from Babylon; Flee from the Chaldeans; With a voice of shouting declare; Let them hear this, Send it out unto the end of the earth; Say, Jehovah has redeemed His servant Jacob.
  - Isa 41:21 Present your case, says Jehovah; Bring forward your arguments, says the King of Jacob.
  - Isa 41:22 Let them bring forth and declare to us What will take place; Let them show what the former things were, That we may consider them, And may know the end of them; Or let us hear the things that are coming.
  - Isa 41:23 Declare to us the things that are coming afterward, That we may know that you are gods; Indeed do good or do evil, That we may look at one another anxiously and be afraid together.
  - Isa 41:24 You are indeed nothing, And your work is of no consequence; He who chooses you is an abomination.
  - Isa 41:25 I have raised up one from the north and he has come; From the rising of the sun he will call upon my name. He will come upon rulers as upon mortar, As the potter treads the clay.
  - Isa 41:26 Who has declared it from the beginning that we may know, And in advance that we may say, He is right? Indeed there was no one who declared it; indeed no one who let us hear; Indeed no one who heard your words.
  - Isa 41:27 Formerly I said to Zion, Here, here they are; And to Jerusalem, I will give someone who preaches glad tidings.
  - Isa 41:28 But I looked and there was no man, And from among these there was no counselor, Who, when I asked, would give Me an answer.
  - Isa 41:29 Indeed all of them are vanity; Their works are of no consequence; Their molten images are a wind and a waste.
  - Rev 17:3 And he carried me away in spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.
  - Rev 17:4 And the woman was clothed in purple and scarlet, and gilded with gold and precious stone and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the unclean things of her fornication.
  - Rev 17:5 And on her forehead there was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE HARLOTS AND THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.
  - Josh 7:21 When I saw among the spoil a beautiful mantle of Shinar and two hundred shekels of silver and a wedge of gold weighing fifty shekels, I coveted them and took them. And now they are hidden in the earth in my tent, with the silver under it.
- 3. We need to be one with Christ to build up the church as God's temple and as God's kingdom—Eph. 2:21-22; Matt. 16:18-19, 24; 1 Cor. 14:4b; Rom. 14:17-18.
  - Eph 2:21 In whom all the building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord;

- Eph 2:22 In whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.
- Matt 16:18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.
- Matt 16:19 I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of the heavens, and whatever you bind on the earth shall have been bound in the heavens, and whatever you loose on the earth shall have been loosed in the heavens.
- Matt 16:24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, If anyone wants to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.
- 1 Cor 14:4b ... but he who prophesies builds up the church.
- Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.
- Rom 14:18 For he who serves Christ in this is well pleasing to God and approved by men.

# II. Christ as the Servant of Jehovah is typified by Cyrus the king of Persia—Isa. 41:2, 25; 45:13, 1; 48:14; 46:11; 44:28:

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- A. Cyrus was raised up by Jehovah (41:2a, 25a; 45:13a; Acts 3:26a), anointed by Jehovah (Isa. 45:1a; Luke 4:18a), and loved by Jehovah (Isa. 48:14b; Matt. 3:17).
  - Isa 41:2a Who has stirred up someone from the east, Called him in righteousness to His feet? He gave up the nations before him, And caused him to have dominion over kings. ...
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  - Isa 45:13a I raised him up in righteousness, And will make straight all his ways; ...
  - Acts 3:26a To you first, God, having raised up His Servant, ...
  - Isa 45:1a Thus says Jehovah to His anointed, To Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, To subdue the nations before him; ...
  - Luke 4:18a "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to announce the gospel to the poor; ...
  - Isa 48:14b ... Jehovah loves him; he will do His pleasure On Babylon, and His arm will be upon the Chaldeans.
  - Matt 3:17 And behold, a voice out of the heavens, saying, This is My Son, the Beloved, in whom I have found My delight.
- B. He did God's pleasure on Babylon (Isa. 48:14; 46:11), symbolizing the Roman Catholic Church (Rev. 17:3-5).
  - Isa 48:14 Assemble yourselves, all of you, and hear! Who among them has declared these things? Jehovah loves him; he will do His pleasure On Babylon, and His arm will be upon the Chaldeans.
  - Isa 46:11 Who calls for a bird of prey from the east, And from a distant land a man to be His counselor. Indeed, I have spoken; surely I will bring it to pass. I have purposed; surely I will do it.
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  - Rev 17:5 And on her forehead there was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE HARLOTS AND THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

- C. He was God's counselor (Isa. 46:11b) to subdue the nations and have dominion over the kings (41:2b, 25; 45:1b; Ezra 1:2a; Acts 5:31; Rev. 1:5a).
  - Isa 46:11b ... And from a distant land a man to be His counselor. Indeed, I have spoken; surely I will bring it to pass. I have purposed; surely I will do it.
  - Isa 41:2b ...And caused him to have dominion over kings. He gave them to his sword like the dust, Like the driven stubble to his bow.
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  - Isa 45:1b ... And I will loosen the loins of kings; To open before him double doors So that the gates will not be shut:
  - Ezra 1:2a Thus says Cyrus the king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth has Jehovah the God of heaven given to me; ...
  - Acts 5:31 This One God has exalted to His right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.
  - Rev 1:5a And from Jesus Christ, the faithful Witness, the Firstborn of the dead, and the Ruler of the kings of the earth. ...
- D. As Jehovah's shepherd, Cyrus fulfilled the desires of Jehovah—Isa. 44:28:
  - Isa 44:28 Who says to Cyrus, He is My shepherd, And he will fulfill all My desire, Even by saying of Jerusalem, She will be built, And of the temple, Her foundations will be laid.
  - 1. Cyrus served God by defeating Babylon, God's enemy (48:14), which had captured His people and destroyed the temple (2 Kings 24—25), by declaring the release of Israel from captivity, and by issuing a decree allowing the Jews to rebuild their temple in Jerusalem (Isa. 45:13; Ezra 1:2-3).
    - Isa 48:14 Assemble yourselves, all of you, and hear! Who among them has declared these things? Jehovah loves him; he will do His pleasure On Babylon, and His arm will be upon the Chaldeans.
    - 2 Kings 24:1 In his days Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his servant for three years; then he turned and rebelled against him.
    - 2 Kings 24:2 And Jehovah sent against him bands of the Chaldeans and bands of the Syrians and bands of the Moabites and bands of the children of Ammon; and He sent them against Judah to destroy it, according to the word of Jehovah, which He spoke through his servants the prophets.
    - 2 Kings 24:3 Surely it was at the command of Jehovah that this came to pass against Judah, to remove them out of His sight because of the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he had done,
    - 2 Kings 24:4 And also for the innocent blood that he shed; for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; and Jehovah would not forgive.
    - 2 Kings 24:5 And the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
    - 2 Kings 24:6 And Jehoiakim slept with his fathers. And Jehoiachin his son reigned in his place.
    - 2 Kings 24:7 And the king of Egypt did not come out of his land again, for the king of Babylon had taken all that belonged to the king of Egypt from the brook of Egypt to the river Euphrates.
    - 2 Kings 24:8 Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months in Jerusalem; and the name of his mother was Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan from Jerusalem.
    - 2 Kings 24:9 And he did what was evil in the sight of Jehovah, according to all that his father had done.
    - 2 Kings 24:10 At that time the servants of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon went up to Jerusalem, and the city came under siege.
    - 2 Kings 24:11 And Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon came against the city while his servants were besieging it.
    - 2 Kings 24:12 And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon, he and his mother and his servants and his captains and his eunuchs; and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign.
    - 2 Kings 24:13 And he brought out from there all the treasures of the house of Jehovah and the treasures of the king's house. And he cut in pieces all the golden vessels which Solomon the king of Israel had made in Jehovah's temple, as Jehovah had said.
    - 2 Kings 24:14 And he carried away into exile all Jerusalem and all the captains and all the mighty men of valor, ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and smiths. None remained except the poorest people of the land.
    - 2 Kings 24:15 And he carried Jehoiachin away into exile to Babylon; and the king's mother and the king's wives and his eunuchs and the leading men of the land, he carried away into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

- 2 Kings 24:16 And all the seven thousand men of valor and the one thousand craftsmen and smiths, all mighty men fit for war, even these the king of Babylon carried away into exile to Babylon.
- 2 Kings 24:17 Then the king of Babylon made Jehoiachin's uncle Mattaniah king in his place, and he changed his name to Zedekiah.
- 2 Kings 24:18 Zedekiah was twenty-one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem; and his mother's name was Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah, from Libnah.
- 2 Kings 24:19 And he did what was evil in the sight of Jehovah, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.
- 2 Kings 24:20 For it was through the anger of Jehovah that this came to pass in Jerusalem and in Judah until He cast them out from His presence. And Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.
- 2 Kings 25:1 In the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, on the tenth day of the month, Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon came, he and his whole army, against Jerusalem and encamped against it; and they built a siege wall against it all around.
- 2 Kings 25:2 So the city came under siege until the eleventh year of King Zedekiah.
- 2 Kings 25:3 On the ninth day of the fourth month, the famine was so severe within the city that there was no food for the people of the land.
- 2 Kings 25:4 Then the city was breached, and all the men of war fled by night by way of the gate between the two walls, which was by the king's garden, while the Chaldeans were all around the city; and the king went on the way toward the Arabah.
- 2 Kings 25:5 And the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and they overtook him in the plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him.
- 2 Kings 25:6 And they seized the king and brought him up to the king of Babylon at Riblah, and they pronounced judgment upon him.
- 2 Kings 25:7 And they slaughtered Zedekiah's sons before his eyes then put out Zedekiah's eyes and bound him with bronze fetters and brought him to Babylon.
- 2 Kings 25:8 In the fifth month, on the seventh day of the month (this was the nineteenth year of King Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon), Nebuzaradan, the captain of the bodyguard, the servant of the king of Babylon, came to Jerusalem.
- 2 Kings 25:9 And he burned the house of Jehovah and the king's house and all the houses of Jerusalem, and every large house he burned with fire.
- 2 Kings 25:10 And all the army of the Chaldeans who were with the captain of the bodyguard broke down the walls around Jerusalem.
- 2 Kings 25:11 And the rest of the people who were left in the city and the deserters who deserted to the king of Babylon and the rest of the multitude, Nebuzaradan the captain of the bodyguard carried away into exile.
- 2 Kings 25:12 But the captain of the bodyguard left some of the poorest of the land to be vinedressers and field workers.
- 2 Kings 25:13 And the Chaldeans broke in pieces the bronze pillars, which were in the house of Jehovah, and the bases and the bronze sea, which were in the house of Jehovah. And they carried their bronze to Babylon.
- 2 Kings 25:14 And they took away the pots and the shovels and the snuffers and the spoons and all the bronze vessels with which they ministered.
- 2 Kings 25:15 And the captain of the bodyguard took away the firepans and the bowls: that which was of gold, for its gold, and that which was of silver, for its silver.
- 2 Kings 25:16 As for the two pillars, the one sea, and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of Jehovah, the bronze of all these vessels was beyond weight.
- 2 Kings 25:17 The height of one pillar was eighteen cubits, and a bronze capital was upon it; and the height of the capital was three cubits; and a network and pomegranates were upon the capital all around, all of bronze; and the second pillar was like these with a network.
- 2 Kings 25:18 And the captain of the bodyguard took Seraiah the chief priest and Zephaniah the second priest and the three doorkeepers.
- 2 Kings 25:19 And from the city he took one eunuch, who was overseer of the men of war, and five men from the king's inner circle who were found in the city, and the scribe of the captain of the army, who mustered the people of the land, and sixty men of the people of the land who were found in the city.
- 2 Kings 25:20 And Nebuzaradan the captain of the bodyguard took them and brought them to the king of Babylon in Riblah.
- 2 Kings 25:21 And the king of Babylon struck them down and put them to death in Riblah, in the land of Hamath; so Judah was carried away into exile out of its land.

- 2 Kings 25:22 And for the people who were left in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon left behind, he appointed Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan over them.
- 2 Kings 25:23 And when all the captains of the forces, they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had appointed Gedaliah, they came to Gedaliah at Mizpah, that is, Ishmael the son of Nethaniah and Johanan the son of Kareah and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite and Jaazaniah the son of the Maacathite, they and their men.
- 2 Kings 25:24 And Gedaliah swore to them and their men and said to them, Do not be afraid of the servants of the Chaldeans; dwell in the land and serve the king of Babylon, and it will be well with you.
- 2 Kings 25:25 In the seventh month, Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of Elishama, of the royal seed, came with ten men with him; and they struck down Gedaliah and he died. And they did the same to the Jews and the Chaldeans who were with him at Mizpah.
- 2 Kings 25:26 And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the forces rose up and went to Egypt, for they were afraid of the Chaldeans.
- 2 Kings 25:27 In the thirty-seventh year of the exile of Jehoiachin the king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, Evil-merodach the king of Babylon, in the year that he became king, released Jehoiachin the king of Judah from prison.
- 2 Kings 25:28 And he spoke with him kindly and set his throne above the throne of the kings who were with him in Babylon.
- 2 Kings 25:29 And Jehoiachin changed his prison clothes and ate his food in his presence continually all the days of his life.
- 2 Kings 25:30 And for his allowance, a continual allowance was given to him by the king, a portion for each day, all the days of his life.
- Is a 45:13 I raised him up in righteousness, And will make straight all his ways; He will build My city, And send away My captives, Neither for a price nor for a reward, Says Jehovah of hosts.
- Ezra 1:2 Thus says Cyrus the king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth has Jehovah the God of heaven given to me; and He has charged me to build Him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah.
- Ezra 1:3 Whoever there is among you of all His people, may his God be with him; and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and let him build the house of Jehovah the God of Israel—He is God—who is in Jerusalem.
- 2. These three things are types, signifying Christ's defeating Satan (Heb. 2:14), releasing His believers from Satan's captivity (Luke 4:18; Eph. 4:8), and building up the church as God's temple (Matt. 16:18; Eph. 2:21).
  - Heb 2:14 Since therefore the children have shared in blood and flesh, He also Himself in like manner partook of the same, that through death He might destroy him who has the might of death, that is, the devil,
  - Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to announce the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to send away in release those who are oppressed,
  - Eph 4:8 Therefore *the Scripture* says, "Having ascended to the height, He led captive those taken captive and gave gifts to men."
  - Matt 16:18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.
  - Eph 2:21 In whom all the building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord;
- 3. In subduing Babylon and releasing the captives of Israel, and in charging Israel and supporting them to build up the temple and the city of their God (Ezra 1), Cyrus did God's pleasure—Isa. 48:14:
  - Ezra 1:1 Now in the first year of Cyrus the king of Persia, so that the word of Jehovah by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, Jehovah stirred up the spirit of Cyrus the king of Persia; and he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom and put it also in writing, saying,
  - Ezra 1:2 Thus says Cyrus the king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth has Jehovah the God of heaven given to me; and He has charged me to build Him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah.
  - Ezra 1:3 Whoever there is among you of all His people, may his God be with him; and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and let him build the house of Jehovah the God of Israel—He is God—who is in Jerusalem.

- Ezra 1:4 And everyone who is left, in whatever place he sojourns, let the men of his place support him with silver and with gold and with goods and with cattle, besides the freewill offering for the house of God, which is in Jerusalem.
- Ezra 1:5 Then the heads of the fathers' houses of Judah and Benjamin and the priests and the Levites rose up, even everyone whose spirit God had stirred up to go up to build the house of Jehovah, which is in Jerusalem.
- Ezra 1:6 And all those around them strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with cattle and with precious things, besides all that was offered willingly.
- Ezra 1:7 Also King Cyrus brought out the vessels of the house of Jehovah, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought out from Jerusalem and had put in the house of his gods;
- Ezra 1:8 And Cyrus the king of Persia had them brought out by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer and had them enumerated to Sheshbazzar the prince of Judah.
- Ezra 1:9 And this was their number: thirty gold dishes, one thousand silver dishes, twenty-nine knives,
- Ezra 1:10 Thirty gold bowls, four hundred ten silver bowls of a different kind, and one thousand other vessels.
- Ezra 1:11 There were five thousand four hundred vessels of gold and silver in all. Sheshbazzar brought up all of them with those of the captivity who were brought up from Babylon to Jerusalem.
- Isa 48:14 Assemble yourselves, all of you, and hear! Who among them has declared these things? Jehovah loves him; he will do His pleasure On Babylon, and His arm will be upon the Chaldeans.
- a. God loves Israel, loves His kingdom, signified by the city of Jerusalem, and loves His house, signified by the temple.
- b. It was a matter of love for God to use a Gentile king to do what was in His heart; thus, God loved Cyrus—v. 14.
  - Isa 48:14 Assemble yourselves, all of you, and hear! Who among them has declared these things? Jehovah loves him; he will do His pleasure On Babylon, and His arm will be upon the Chaldeans.

#### III. Christ as the Servant of Jehovah is typified by Israel—41:8-16; 42:1; 43:10; 44:1-5, 21; 49:3; 46:13:

- Isa 41:8 But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, The seed of Abraham My friend;
- Isa 41:9 You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, And from its extremities have called, And said to you, You are My servant; I have chosen you and have not cast you away.
- Isa 41:10 Do not be afraid, for I am with you; Do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; surely I will help you; Surely I will uphold you with the right hand of My righteousness.
- Isa 41:11 Indeed all those who were increased against you Will be ashamed and confounded; The men who strive against you Will be as nothing and will perish.
- Isa 41:12 You will seek but not find The men who contend with you; The men who war with you Will be as nothing and as without existence.
- Isa 41:13 For I am Jehovah your God, Who takes hold of your right hand, Who says to you, Do not be afraid; I will help you.
- Isa 41:14 Do not be afraid, you worm Jacob, You few men of Israel; I will help you, declares Jehovah, Even your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.
- Isa 41:15 Now I will make you into a sharp threshing instrument, One that is new and possessing teeth. You shall thresh the mountains and make them powder, And you shall make the hills like chaff.
- Isa 41:16 You shall winnow them, and the wind will carry them away And the storm wind will scatter them. And you will rejoice in Jehovah, You will glory in the Holy One of Israel.
- Isa 42:1 Here is My Servant, whom I uphold, My chosen One in whom My soul delights; I have put My Spirit upon Him, And He will bring forth justice to the nations.
- Isa 43:10 You are My witnesses, declares Jehovah, And My servant whom I have chosen, In order that you may know and believe Me And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Neither will there be any after Me.
- Isa 44:1 But now hear, O Jacob, My servant, And Israel, whom I have chosen.
- Isa 44:2 Thus says Jehovah your Maker And the One who formed you from the womb, who will help you, Do not fear, O Jacob, My servant, And Jeshurun whom I have chosen,
- Isa 44:3 For I will pour water upon the thirsty land, And streams upon the dry ground; I will pour out My Spirit upon your seed, And My blessing upon your offspring.
- Isa 44:4 They will spring up among the grass, Like poplars beside the flowing streams of water.
- Isa 44:5 One will say, I am Jehovah's; Another will call himself by the name of Jacob; Another will write with his hand, I am Jehovah's; He will name himself with the name Israel.
- Isa 44:21 Remember these things, O Jacob, And Israel, for you are My servant. I have formed you; you are My servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me.

- Isa 49:3 And He said to me, You are My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
- Isa 46:13 I will bring My righteousness near—it is not far off; And My salvation will not delay; And I will give salvation in Zion, And to Israel My glory.
- A. Israel typifies Christ for the carrying out of the kind word of comfort spoken by Jehovah—40:1-2.
  - Isa 40:1 Comfort, O comfort My people, Says your God.
  - Isa 40:2 Speak unto the heart of Jerusalem, And cry out to her, That her warfare has finished, That the penalty for her iniquity has been accepted; For she has received from the hand of Jehovah double For all her sins.
- B. Israel was chosen by Jehovah and upheld with the right hand of His righteousness—41:10.
  - Isa 41:10 Do not be afraid, for I am with you; Do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; surely I will help you; Surely I will uphold you with the right hand of My righteousness.
- C. Israel overcame the enemies by Jehovah and rejoiced and gloried in Him, the Holy One of Israel—vv. 8-16; 42:1a; Rom. 8:37; 1 Thes. 2:19-20.
  - Isa 41:8 But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, The seed of Abraham My friend;
  - Isa 41:9 You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, And from its extremities have called, And said to you, You are My servant; I have chosen you and have not cast you away.
  - Isa 41:10 Do not be afraid, for I am with you; Do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; surely I will help you; Surely I will uphold you with the right hand of My righteousness.
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  - Isa 41:12 You will seek but not find The men who contend with you; The men who war with you Will be as nothing and as without existence.
  - Isa 41:13 For I am Jehovah your God, Who takes hold of your right hand, Who says to you, Do not be afraid; I will help you.
  - Isa 41:14 Do not be afraid, you worm Jacob, You few men of Israel; I will help you, declares Jehovah, Even your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.
  - Isa 41:15 Now I will make you into a sharp threshing instrument, One that is new and possessing teeth. You shall thresh the mountains and make them powder, And you shall make the hills like chaff.
  - Isa 41:16 You shall winnow them, and the wind will carry them away And the storm wind will scatter them. And you will rejoice in Jehovah, You will glory in the Holy One of Israel.
  - Isa 42:1a Here is My Servant, whom I uphold, My chosen One in whom My soul delights; ...
  - Rom 8:37 But in all these things we more than conquer through Him who loved us.
  - 1 Thes 2:19 For what is our hope or joy or crown of boasting before our Lord Jesus at His coming? Are not even you?
  - 1 Thes 2:20 For you are our glory and joy.
- D. Israel was the witness of Jehovah—Isa. 43:10; Rev. 1:5a; 3:14; Acts 1:8.
  - Isa 43:10 You are My witnesses, declares Jehovah, And My servant whom I have chosen, In order that you may know and believe Me And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Neither will there be any after Me.
  - Rev 1:5a And from Jesus Christ, the faithful Witness, the Firstborn of the dead, and the Ruler of the kings of the earth. ...
  - Rev 3:14 And to the messenger of the church in Laodicea write: These things says the Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the beginning of the creation of God:
  - Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth.
- E. The Spirit of Jehovah was poured out on Israel for the blessing of his offspring—Isa. 44:1-5, 21; Matt. 3:16; Luke 4:18-19.
  - Isa 44:1 But now hear, O Jacob, My servant, And Israel, whom I have chosen.
  - Isa 44:2 Thus says Jehovah your Maker And the One who formed you from the womb, who will help you, Do not fear, O Jacob, My servant, And Jeshurun whom I have chosen,
  - Isa 44:3 For I will pour water upon the thirsty land, And streams upon the dry ground; I will pour out My Spirit upon your seed, And My blessing upon your offspring.
  - Isa 44:4 They will spring up among the grass, Like poplars beside the flowing streams of water.
  - Isa 44:5 One will say, I am Jehovah's; Another will call himself by the name of Jacob; Another will write with his hand, I am Jehovah's; He will name himself with the name Israel.
  - Isa 44:21 Remember these things, O Jacob, And Israel, for you are My servant. I have formed you; you are My servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me.

- Matt 3:16 And having been baptized, Jesus went up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him.
- Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to announce the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to send away in release those who are oppressed,
- Luke 4:19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, the year of jubilee."
- F. Jehovah was glorified in Israel—Isa. 43:7; 49:3; 46:13b; John 17:1; 12:28:
  - Isa 43:7 Everyone who is called by My name, Whom I have created, formed, and even made for My glory.
  - Isa 49:3 And He said to me, You are My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
  - Isa 46:13b ... And I will give salvation in Zion, And to Israel My glory.
  - John 17:1 These things Jesus spoke, and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son that the Son may glorify You;
  - John 12:28 Father, glorify Your name. Then a voice came out of heaven: I have both glorified *it* and will glorify *it* again.
  - 1. Israel is God's servant in the sense of fulfilling God's desire in His economy to have a corporate expression of Himself for His glory—Isa. 43:7:
    - Everyone who is called by My name, Whom I have created, formed, and even made for My glory.
    - a. The people of Israel were to be used by God to express Him in a corporate way.
    - b. In this sense Israel was one with Christ as God's servant—41:8; 45:4; 49:3; Hosea 11:1; cf. Matt. 2:15.
      - Isa 41:8 But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, The seed of Abraham My friend;
      - Isa 45:4 For the sake of My servant, Jacob, And Israel, My chosen one, I have also called you by your name; I have surnamed you, although you do not know Me.
      - Isa 49:3 And He said to me, You are My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
      - Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, I loved him, And out of Egypt I called My son.
      - Matt 2:15 And was there until the death of Herod, in order that what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet might be fulfilled, saying, "Out of Egypt I called My Son."
    - c. The servant of Jehovah is corporate, and Israel was part of this corporate servant—Isa. 41:8.
      - Isa 41:8 But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, The seed of Abraham My friend;
  - 2. In the present age the church, as the testimony of God, serves God for the expression of God, the glory of God—Rev. 1:2; Eph. 3:21; Gal. 6:16.
    - Rev 1:2 Who testified the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ, *even* all that he saw.
    - Eph 3:21 To Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus unto all the generations forever and ever. Amen.
    - Gal 6:16 And as many as walk by this rule, peace be upon them and mercy, even upon the Israel of God.
  - 3. The glorification of God is the purpose of our service; the highest service we can render to God is to express Him in His glory—Eph. 1:23; 1 Cor. 10:31.
    - Eph 1:23 Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.
    - 1 Cor 10:31 Therefore whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

#### IV. Christ as the Servant of Jehovah is typified by the prophet Isaiah—Isa. 48:16; 49:1-4; 50:4-9:

- Isa 48:16 Draw near to Me and listen to this: From the beginning I have not spoken in secret; From the time it took place, I was there. And now the Lord Jehovah Has sent me and His Spirit.
- Isa 49:1 Listen to me, O coastlands, And hearken, you peoples from afar. Jehovah has called me from the womb; From the bowels of my mother He has made mention of my name.
- Isa 49:2 And He has made my mouth like a sharp sword; He has concealed me in the shadow of His hand, And He has made me a polished arrow; He has hidden me in His quiver.
- Isa 49:3 And He said to me, You are My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
- Isa 49:4 But I said, I have labored in vain; I have used up my strength for nothing and vanity; Yet surely the justice due to me is with Jehovah, And my recompense with my God.
- Isa 50:4 The Lord Jehovah has given me The tongue of the instructed, That I should know how to sustain the weary with a word. He awakens me morning by morning; He awakens my ear To hear as an instructed one.
- Isa 50:5 The Lord Jehovah has opened my ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn back.
- Is a 50:6 I gave my back to those who strike me And my cheeks to those who pluck out the hair; I did not hide my face From humiliation and spitting.

- Isa 50:7 The Lord Jehovah helps me; Therefore I have not been dishonored; Therefore I have set my face like a flint, And I know that I will not be put to shame.
- Isa 50:8 The One who justifies me is near; who will contend with me? Let us stand up together! Who is my adversary in judgment? Let him come near to me.
- Isa 50:9 Indeed, the Lord Jehovah helps me, Who is the one who condemns me? Indeed, they will all wear out like a garment; The moth will consume them.
- A. Isaiah typifies Christ as the Servant of Jehovah (Mark 10:45) for God's speaking (Deut. 18:15; John 3:34: 14:24):
  - Mark 10:45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many.
  - Deut 18:15 A Prophet will Jehovah your God raise up for you from your midst, from among your brothers, like me; you shall listen to Him.
  - John 3:34 For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for He gives the Spirit not by measure.
  - John 14:24 He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me.
  - 1. Isaiah served God as His mouthpiece to speak forth His word, which is the embodiment of Himself—Isa. 49:1-4.
    - Isa 49:1 Listen to me, O coastlands, And hearken, you peoples from afar. Jehovah has called me from the womb; From the bowels of my mother He has made mention of my name.
    - Isa 49:2 And He has made my mouth like a sharp sword; He has concealed me in the shadow of His hand, And He has made me a polished arrow; He has hidden me in His quiver.
    - Isa 49:3 And He said to me, You are My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
    - Isa 49:4 But I said, I have labored in vain; I have used up my strength for nothing and vanity; Yet surely the justice due to me is with Jehovah, And my recompense with my God.
  - 2. Isaiah's prophesying helped in the release of Israel and the rebuilding of the temple and the city.
- B. In verse 4 Isaiah typifies Christ:
  - Isa 49:4 But I said, I have labored in vain; I have used up my strength for nothing and vanity; Yet surely the justice due to me is with Jehovah, And my recompense with my God.
  - 1. People judged Christ wrongly, thinking that His word was nothing and in vain; however, Christ was assured that the justice due to Him would come from God—1 Pet. 2:23.
    - 1 Pet 2:23 Who being reviled did not revile in return; suffering, He did not threaten but kept committing *all* to Him who judges righteously;
  - 2. God values Christ's word (cf. Matt. 24:35) and will reward Him for His speaking. Matt 24:35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words shall by no means pass away.
- C. Isaiah 50:4-5 speaks of the instruction received by Isaiah as a servant of Jehovah; thus, Isaiah typifies Christ in his receiving instructions from God.
  - Isa 50:4 The Lord Jehovah has given me The tongue of the instructed, That I should know how to sustain the weary with a word. He awakens me morning by morning; He awakens my ear To hear as an instructed one.
  - Isa 50:5 The Lord Jehovah has opened my ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn back.
- D. In the life he lived, Isaiah was a type of Christ:
  - 1. Isaiah 50:6-9 reveals the life lived by Isaiah as a servant of Jehovah.
    - Isa 50:6 I gave my back to those who strike me And my cheeks to those who pluck out the hair; I did not hide my face From humiliation and spitting.
    - Isa 50:7 The Lord Jehovah helps me; Therefore I have not been dishonored; Therefore I have set my face like a flint, And I know that I will not be put to shame.
    - Isa 50:8 The One who justifies me is near; who will contend with me? Let us stand up together! Who is my adversary in judgment? Let him come near to me.
    - Isa 50:9 Indeed, the Lord Jehovah helps me, Who is the one who condemns me? Indeed, they will all wear out like a garment; The moth will consume them.
  - 2. These verses describe the life lived by the Lord Jesus on earth—Matt. 26:67; 1 Pet. 2:23.
    - Matt 26:67 Then they spat in His face and beat Him with their fists, and others slapped *Him*,
    - 1 Pet 2:23 Who being reviled did not revile in return; suffering, He did not threaten but kept committing *all* to Him who judges righteously;