



Isaiah at a Glance	
Book Theme	Salvation for Israel and the Nations through the Messianic King-Servant-Conqueror
Author	Isaiah
Recipients	Judah and Jerusalem
Date	739-681 bc
Message	The Messianic King will rule in righteousness over a righteous remnant from Israel and the nations, but first he must become a <u>Servant</u> who provides righteousness for the remnant and a <u>Conqueror</u> who defeats the remnant's enemies.

Isaiah's Three Big Segments	
Chapters	Segment Theme
1-39	Messianic King
40-55	Messianic Servant
56-66	Messianic Conqueror

Messianic Servant — Isaiah 40-55		
Chapters	Chapter Themes	Servant Songs
40	Comfort My People	
41	Fear Not, Worm Israel	
42	Behold, My Servant	First
43	A New Exodus	
44	The Folly of Idolatry	
45	Cyrus Called by Name	
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49	The Day of Yeshua	Second
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Divorce and Slavery

Isaiah 50:1-3

- 1 Thus says Yahweh: Where is your mother's certificate of divorce, with which I sent her away? Or which of my creditors is it to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your singuilt (עֲוֹן) you were sold, and for your moral crimes (פְּשָׁעִים) your mother was sent away. 2 Why, when I came, was there no man (אִישׁ). Why, when I called, was there no one to answer? Is my hand shortened, that it cannot redeem? Or have I no power to deliver (נַצֵּל)? Behold, by my rebuke I dry up the sea. I make the rivers a desert. Their fish stink for lack of water and die of thirst. 3 I clothe the heavens with blackness and make sackcloth their covering.

The Tongue and Ear of Disciples

Isaiah 50:4-6

- 4 My Lord Yahweh (אֲדֹנָי יְהוָה) has given me [Messiah] the tongue of disciples (לְמוּדִים), that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary (יָעֵף). Morning by morning he awakens. He awakens my ear to listen as do disciples (כְּלְמוּדִים). 5 My Lord Yahweh has opened (פָּתַח) my ear, and I was not rebellious (מָרָה). 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 (מִכְלָמוֹת) and spitting.

A Face Like Flint

Isaiah 50:7-9

- 7 But my Lord Yahweh (וְאֲדֹנָי יְהוָה) 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 (בוּשָׁה). 8 He who vindicates/justifies me (מַצְדִּיקִי) is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. 9 Behold, my Lord Yahweh helps me. Who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment. The moth will eat them up.

Decision in the Darkness

Isaiah 50:10-11

- 10 Who among you fears (יִרָא) Yahweh and listens to (שָׁמַע) the voice of his Servant [Messiah]? Let him who walks in darkness (חֹשֶׁכָה) and has no light (נֹגִה) trust (בָּטַח) in the name of Yahweh and rely on (שָׁעַן) his God. 11 Behold, all you who kindle a fire, who equip yourselves with burning torches! Walk by the light of your fire, and by the torches that you have kindled! This you have from my hand. You shall lie down in torment (מַעֲצָבָה, LXX: λύπη).

Application

Isaiah 50

- Have the ear and tongue of a disciple (v. 4).
- Don't turn back from obedience (v. 5).
- Set your face like flint (v. 7).
- Fear God by listening to Yeshua (v. 10).

