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ISAIAH 49—53 DAY 210 IN STEP INTO SCRIPTURE



PART: TRUSTING IN WHAT YOU CAN'T SEE





ISAIAH'S PROPHECIES OFTEN CARRY TWO LAYERS: AN IMMEDIATE HISTORICAL MEANING FOR HIS AUDIENCE, AND A GREATER FULFILLMENT IN CHRIST REVEALED LATER.

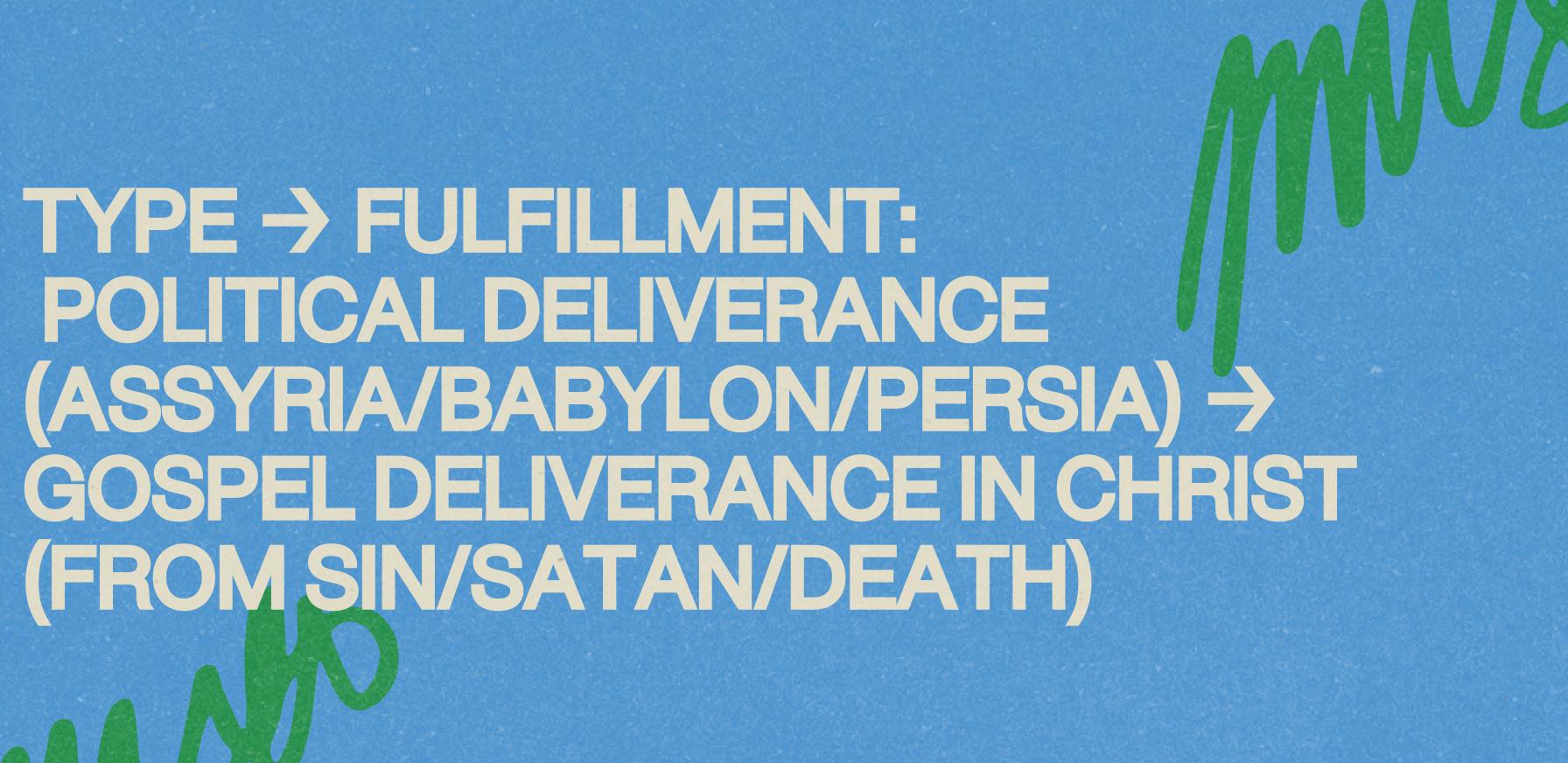


TYPOLOGY IS HOW GOD USES REAL PEOPLE, EVENTS, PLACES, AND INSTITUTIONS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT AS TRUE HISTORICAL PATTERNS THAT PRE-FIGURE AND ARE COMPLETED IN JESUS CHRIST.



TYPE -> FULFILLMENT (IN CHRIST)





ISAIAH31:1

1 WOE TO THOSE WHO GO DOWN TO EGYPT FOR HELP, WHO RELY ON HORSES, WHO TRUST IN THE MULTITUDE OF THEIR CHARIOTS AND IN THE GREAT STRENGTH OF THEIR HORSEMEN, BUT DO NOT LOOK TO THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL, OR SEEK HELP FROM THE LORD.



ISAIAH31:3

3 BUT THE EGYPTIANS ARE MERE MORTALS AND NOT GOD; THEIR HORSES ARE FLESH AND NOT SPIRIT.







ISAIAH31:8

ASSYRIA WILL FALL BY NO HUMAN SWORD; A SWORD, NOT OF MORTALS, WILL DEVOUR THEM. THEY WILL FLEE BEFORE THE SWORD...





ISAIAH32:1

SEE, A KING WILL REIGN IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND RULERS WILL RULE WITH JUSTICE.





ISAIAH 32:9-10

YOU WOMEN WHO ARE SO COMPLACENT, RISE UP AND LISTEN TO ME; YOU DAUGHTERS WHO FEEL SECURE, HEAR WHAT I HAVE TO SAY! IN LITTLE MORE THAN A YEAR YOU WHO FEEL SECURE WILL TREMBLE; THE GRAPE HARVEST WILL FAIL, AND THE HARVEST OF FRUIT WILL NOT COME.



ISAIAH 32:15

...TILL THE SPIRIT IS POURED ON US FROM ON HIGH, AND THE DESERT BECOMES A FERTILE FIELD, AND THE FERTILE FIELD SEEMS LIKE A FOREST.



TYPE → FULFILLMENT:
SPIRIT PROMISED (ISAIAH 32:15) →
SPIRIT POURED OUT (ACTS 2; GALATIANS 3:14),
FORMING THE NEW-COVENANT PEOPLE.



ISAIAH33:1

WOE TO YOU, DESTROYER, YOU WHO HAVE NOT BEEN DESTROYED! WOE TO YOU, BETRAYER, YOU WHO HAVE NOT BEEN BETRAYED! WHEN YOU STOP DESTROYING, YOU WILL BE DESTROYED; WHEN YOU STOP BETRAYING, YOU WILL BE BETRAYED.



ISAIAH33:2

LORD, BE GRACIOUS TO US; WE LONG FOR YOU. BE OUR STRENGTH EVERY MORNING, OUR SALVATION IN TIME OF DISTRESS.





ISAIAH 33:10 NOW WILL I ARISE," SAYS THE LORD. NOW WILL I BE EXALTED; NOW WILL I BE LIFTED UP.





ISAIAH 33:14 THE SINNERS IN ZION ARE TERRIFIED; TREMBLING GRIPS THE GODLESS: "WHO OF US CAN DWELL WITH THE CONSUMING FIRE? WHO OF US CAN DWELL WITH EVERLASTING BURNING?"



ISAIAH 33:17 YOUR EYES WILL SEE THE KING IN HIS BEAUTY AND VIEW A LAND THAT STRETCHES AFAR.



TYPE -> FULFILLMENT: SEEING THE KING "IN HIS BEAUTY" BEHOLDING THE GLORY OF CHRIST (JOHN 1:14; 2 CORINTHIANS 3:18), CITIZENS OF HIS BOUNDLESS KINGDOM.



PART2: GOD VS. THE ENEMIES OF HIS PEOPLE



ESAU=EDOM JACOB=ISRAEL



EDOM CAME TO SYMBOLIZE ALL WHO OPPOSE GOD'S PEOPLE

ISAIAH34:9-10

EDOM'S STREAMS WILL BE TURNED INTO PITCH, HER DUST INTO BURNING SULFUR; HER LAND WILL BECOME BLAZING PITCH! IT WILL NOT BE QUENCHED NIGHT OR DAY; ITS SMOKE WILL RISE FOREVER.



APOCALYPTIC LANGUAGE TO DESCRIBE THE FINAL JUDGMENT OF ALL WHO REBEL AGAINST GOD.

TYPE -> FULFILLMENT: DAVID SUBDUES EDOM TEMPORARILY (2 SAM 8:13-14) -> JESUS, SON OF DAVID, CONQUERS OURULTIMATEENEMIESFINALLY (SIN/SATAN/DEATH; 1 CORINTHIANS 15:25-26; COLOSSIANS 2:15).

IT WAS ONLY KING DAVID WHO WAS ABLE TO DEFEAT AND SUBJUGATE EDOM.



2 SANUEL 8:13-14

13 AND DAVID BECAME FAMOUS AFTER HE RETURNED FROM STRIKING DOWN EIGHTEEN THOUSAND EDOMITES IN THE VALLEY OF SALT. 14 HE PUT GARRISONS THROUGHOUT EDOM, AND ALL THE EDOMITES BECAME SUBJECT TO DAVID. THE LORD GAVE DAVID VICTORY WHEREVER HE WENT.

INTHE SAME WAY, ONLY JESUS, THE SON OF DAVID, CAN CONQUER THE ULTIMATE ENEMIES OF GOD FOREVER—SIN, SATAN, AND DEATH.

ISAIAH35:3-4

STRENGTHEN THE FEEBLE HANDS, STEADY THE KNEES THAT GIVE WAY; SAY TO THOSE WITH FEARFUL HEARTS, 'BESTRONG, DO NOT FEAR; YOUR GOD WILL COME, HE WILL COME WITH VENGEANCE; WITH DIVINE RETRIBUTION HEWILL COME TO SAVE YOU!

VENGEANCE FOR GOD'S ENEMIES, SALVATION FOR GOD'S CHILDREN. JUDGMENTAND DELIVERANCE GO HAND IN HAND.

HEBREWS 12:12 THEREFORE, STRENGTHEN YOU FEEBLE ARMS AND WEAK KNEES.



ISAIAH 35:5-6

THEN WILL THE EYES OF THE BLIND BE OPENED AND THE EARS OF THE DEAF UNSTOPPED. THEN WILL THE LAME LEAP LIKE A DEER, AND THE MUTE TONGUE SHOUT FOR JOY. WATER WILL GUSH FORTH IN THE WILDERNESS AND STREAMS IN THE DESERT.

MATTHEW11:4-5

JESUS REPLIED, "GO BACK AND REPORT TO JOHN WHAT YOU HEAR AND SEE: THE BLIND RECEIVE SIGHT, THE LAME WALK, THOSE WHO HAVE LEPROSY ARE CLEANSED, THE DEAF HEAR, THE DEAD ARE RAISED, AND THE GOOD NEWS IS PROCLAIMED TO THE POOR."

JESUS FULFILLED ISAIAH'S PROPHECY.

TYPE → FULFILLMENT: HEALING SIGNS (ISAIAH 35:5-6) → MESSIAH'S CREDENTIALS (MATTHEW 11:4-5; LUKE 7:22).

ISAIAH35:8-10

AND A HIGHWAY WILL BE THERE; IT WILL BE CALLED THE WAY OF HOLINESS; IT WILL BE FOR THOSE WHO WALK ON THAT WAY. THE UNCLEAN WILL NOT JOURNEY ON IT: WICKED FOOLS WILL NOT GO ABOUT ON IT. NO LION WILL BE THERE, NOR ANY RAVENOUS BEAST; THEY WILL NOT BE FOUND THERE. BUT ONLY THE REDEEMED WILL WALK THERE, AND THOSE THE LORD HAS RESCUED WILL RETURN. THEY WILL ENTER ZION WITH SINGING; EVERLASTING JOY WILL CROWN THEIR HEADS. GLADNESS AND JOY WILL OVERTAKE THEM, AND SORROW AND SIGHING WILL FLEE AWAY.

EDOM SYMBOLIZES THE FATE OF ALL WHO OPPOSE GOD, WHILE ZION SYMBOLIZES THE ETERNAL JOY OF THOSE WHO TRUST IN HIM.

JESUS FULFILLS BOTH SIDES OF THIS PROPHECY:
HE BRINGS VENGEANCE AGAINST EVIL AND VICTORY FOR THE REDEEMED.



TYPE → FULFILLMENT:
WAY OF HOLINESS (ISAIAH 35:8–10) →
JESUS THE WAY (JOHN 14:6) AND THE
PILGRIM CHURCH (HEBREWS 12:22–24;
1 PETER 2:11).

PART 3: JUDAH'S SALVATION FROM ASSYRIA



ISAIAH36:6 "LOOK, I KNOW YOU ARE DEPENDING ON EGYPT, THAT SPLINTERED REED OF A STAFF, WHICH PIERCES THE HAND OF ANYONE WHO LEANS ON IT! SUCH IS PHARAOH KING OF EGYPT TO ALL WHO DEPEND ON HIM."

ISAIAH 36:15

DO NOT LET HEZEKIAH PERSUADE YOU TO TRUST IN THE LORD WHEN HE SAYS, "THE LORD WILL SURELY DELIVER US; THIS CITY WILL NOT BE GIVEN INTO THE HAND OF THE KING OF ASSYRIA."



ISAIAH36:16-17

MAKE PEACE WITH ME AND COME OUT TO ME. THEN EACH OF YOU WILL EAT FRUIT FROM YOUR OWN VINE AND FIG TREE AND DRINK WATER FROM YOUR OWN CISTERN, UNTIL I COME AND TAKE YOU TO A LAND LIKE YOUR OWN—A LAND OF GRAIN AND NEW WINE, A LAND OF BREAD AND VINEYARDS.

ISAIAH37:1 WHEN KING HEZEKIAH HEARD THIS, HE TORE HIS CLOTHES AND PUT ON SACKCLOTH AND WENT INTO THE TEMPLE OF THE LORD.



ISAIAH37:20 "NOW, LORD OUR GOD, DELIVER US FROM HIS HAND, SO THAT ALL THE KINGDOMS OF THE EARTH MAY KNOW THAT YOU, LORD, ARE THE ONLY GOD."

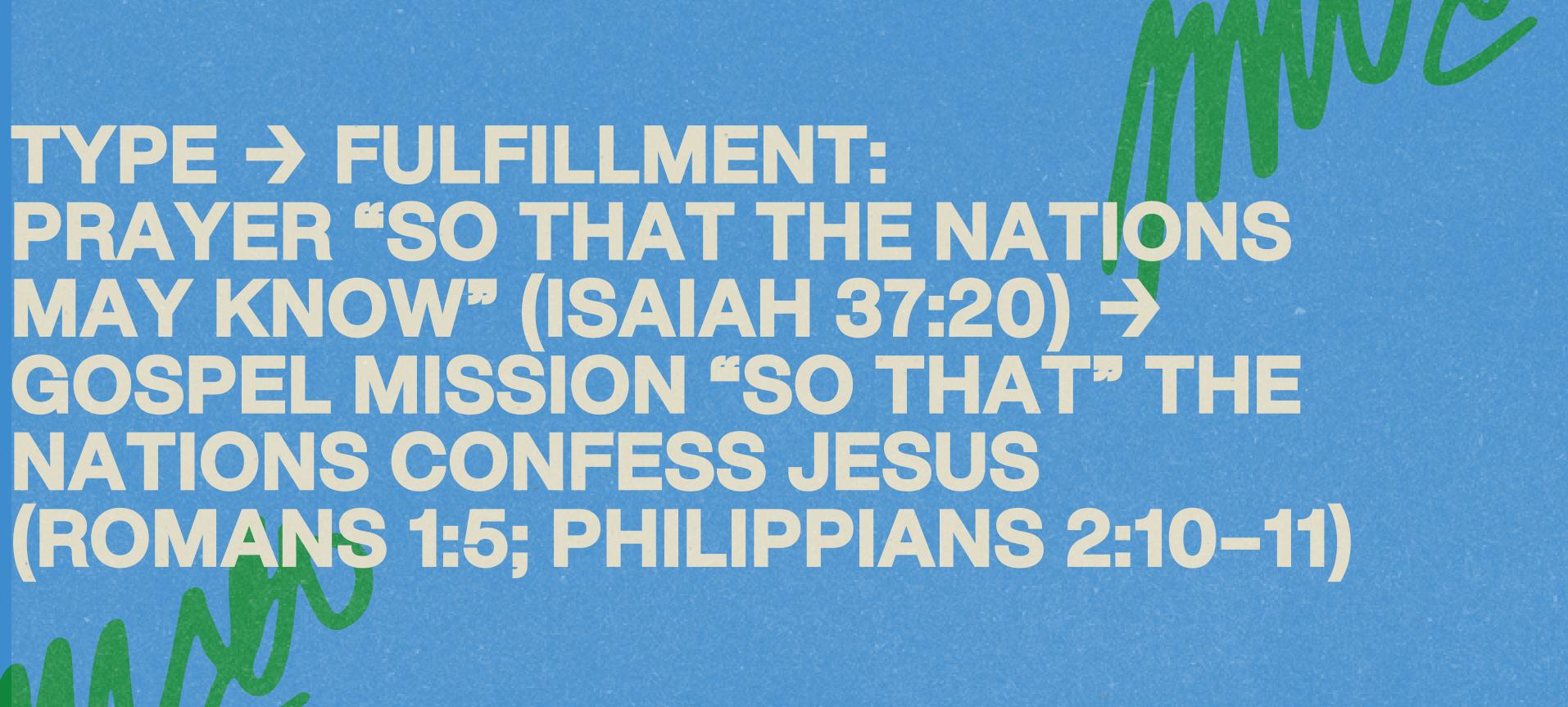


"SOTHAT" PRAYERS.

WHENWEPRAY, OUR MOTIVES MATTER.



SOTHAT HE IS GLORIFIED SOTHAT PEOPLE ARE DRAWN TO HIM



ISAIAH37:33-35

"HE WILL NOT ENTER THIS CITY OR SHOOT AN ARROW HERE. HE WILL NOT COME BEFORE IT WITH SHIELD OR BUILD A SIEGE RAMP AGAINST IT. BY THE WAY THAT HE CAME HE WILL RETURN; HE WILL NOT ENTER THIS CITY," DECLARES THE LORD. "I WILL DEFEND THIS CITY AND SAVE IT, FOR MY SAKE AND FOR THE SAKE OF DAVID MY SERVANT!"

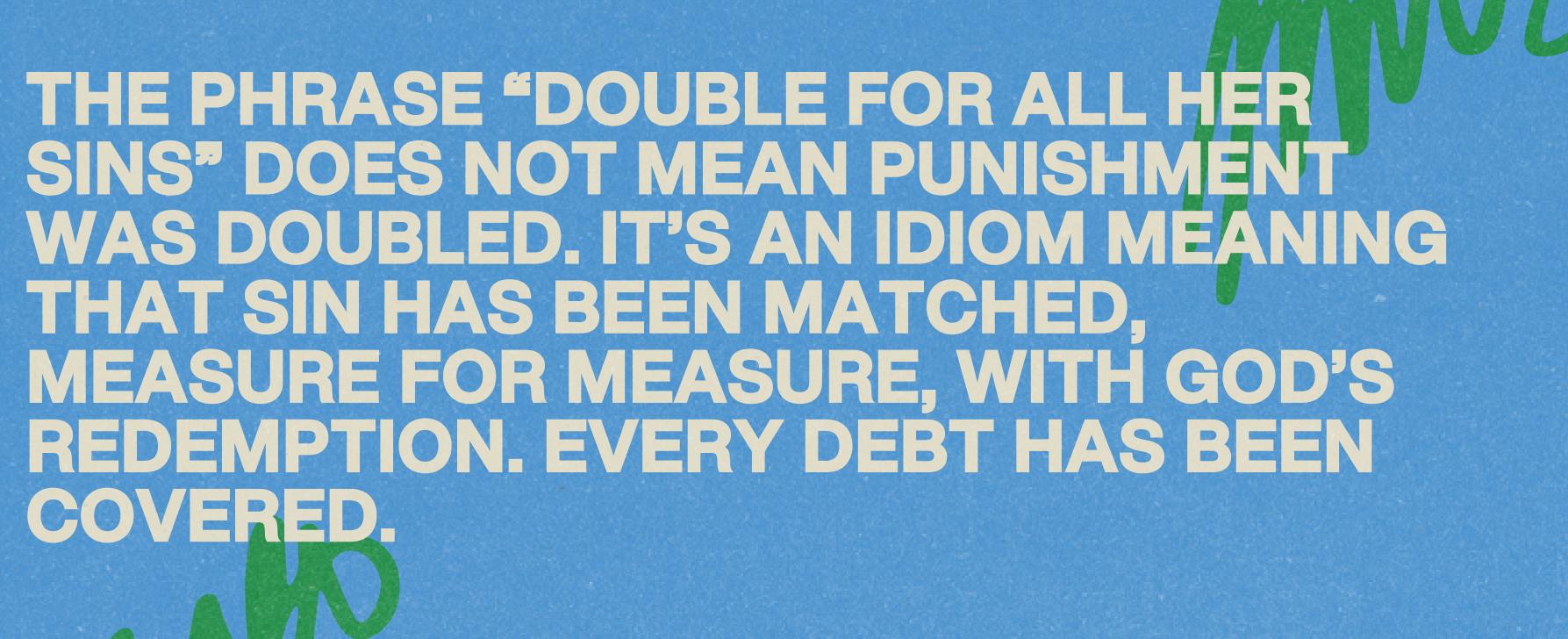
JUST LIKE ISRAEL HAD FALLEN TO ASSYRIA, JUDAH WOULD SOON FALL TO BABYLON.



ISAIAH 40:1-2

COMFORT, COMFORT MY PEOPLE, SAYS YOUR GOD. SPEAK TENDERLY TO JERUSALEM, AND PROCLAIM TO HER THAT HER HARD SERVICE HAS BEEN COMPLETED, THAT HER SIN HAS BEEN PAID FOR, THAT SHE HAS RECEIVED FROM THE LORD'S HAND DOUBLE FOR ALL HER SINS.





TYPE → FULFILLMENT:
DEBT MATCHED AND PAID (ISAIAH 40:2) →
SINS BLOTTED OUT IN CHRIST (ISAIAH
43:25 → MARK 2:10; COLOSSIANS 2:13–14)

TYPE → FULFILLMENT: ROYAL EUANGELION (GOOD NEWS OF A KING'S REIGN) → GOSPEL OF KING JESUS (MARK 1:14–15)

1.THE VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS (ISAIAH 40:3—5)
"A VOICE OF ONE CALLING: 'IN THE WILDERNESS
PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORD..."
THIS PROPHECY IS FULFILLED IN JOHN THE BAPTIST (MATTHEW 3:1–3), WHO PREPARED THE WAY FOR JESUS BY CALLING PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE.

2. THE VOICE CRYING OUT (ISAIAH 40:6-8)
"ALL PEOPLE ARE LIKE GRASS.... BUT THE WORD OF OUR GOD ENDURES FOREVER." PEOPLE FADE, NATIONS CRUMBLE, BUT GOD'S WORD STANDS ETERNAL. PETER QUOTES THIS IN 1 PETER 1:24-25, CONNECTING IT DIRECTLY TO THE GOSPEL.

3. THE VOICE PROCLAIMING "HERE IS YOUR GOD!" (ISAIAH 40:9-11) "SEE, THE SOVEREIGN LORD COMES WITH POWER... HE TENDS HIS FLOCK LIKE A SHEPHERD." THIS IS JESUS—THE GOOD SHEPHERD OF JOHN 10—MIGHTY AND TENDER, POWERFUL AND GENTLE.

ISAIAH41:10

SO DO NOT FEAR, FOR I AM WITH YOU; DO NOT BE DISMAYED, FOR I AM YOUR GOD. I WILL STRENGTHEN YOU AND HELP YOU; I WILL UPHOLD YOU WITH MY RIGHTEOUS RIGHT HAND.



TYPE → FULFILLMENT: GOD UPHOLDS HIS REMNANT (ISAIAH 41:10) → CHRIST UPHOLDS HIS CHURCH (MATTHEW 16:18; JOHN 10:28–29)

SAIAH42:1

HERE IS MY SERVANT, WHOM I UPHOLD, MY CHOSEN ONE IN WHOM I DELIGHT; I WILL PUT MY SPIRITON HIM, AND HE WILL BRING JUSTICE TO THE NATIONS.

"A BRUISED REED HE WILL NOT BREAK, AND A SMOLDERING WICK HE WILL NOT SNUFF OUT." (ISAIAH 42:3)

ISAIAH 43:16

"THIS IS WHAT THE LORD SAYS
HE WHO MADE A WAY THROUGH
THE SEA, A PATH THROUGH THE
MIGHTY WATERS..."



ISAIAH 43:16

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ISAIAH43:18-19

FORGET THE FORMER THINGS; DO NOT DWELL ON THE PAST. SEE, I AM DOING A NEW THING! NOW IT SPRINGS UP; DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT? I AM MAKING A WAY IN THE WILDERNESS AND STREAMS IN THE WASTELAND.



THE FIRST EXODUS FREED ISRAEL FROM EGYPT. THE NEW EXODUS FREES GOD'S PEOPLE FROM SIN AND DEATH THROUGH CHRIST.



ISAIAH 43:25

"I, EVEN I, AM HE WHO BLOTS OUT YOUR TRANSGRESSIONS, FOR MY OWN SAKE, AND REMEMBERS YOUR SINS NO MORE."



ISAIAH44:3

FOR I WILL POUR WATER ON THE THIRSTY LAND, AND STREAMS ON THE DRY GROUND; I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT ON YOUR OFFSPRING, AND MY BLESSING ON YOUR DESCENDANTS.



ISAIAH 45:5-6

THOUGH YOU DO NOT ACKNOWLEDGE ME, I WILL STRENGTHEN YOU, SO THAT FROM THE RISING OF THE SUN TO THE PLACE OF ITS SETTING PEOPLE MAY KNOW THERE IS NONE BESIDES ME.



TYPE → FULFILLMENT:
CYRUS (ANOINTED "SHEPHERD," 44:28; 45:1)
RETURNS EXILES AND FUNDS A STONE
TEMPLE → CHRIST, GOD'S ANOINTED, FREES
CAPTIVES (LUKE 4:18), AND BUILDS THE LIVING
TEMPLE (EPH 2:19–22; 1 PET 2:4–5).

ISAIAH45:24

THEY WILL SAY OF ME, "IN THE LORD ALONE ARE DELIVERANCE AND STRENGTH."



PHILIPPIANS 2:10-11

"EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH AND UNDER THE EARTH, AND EVERY TONGUE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT JESUS CHRIST IS LORD."



CYRUS SENDING THE JEWS BACK WAS REAL HISTORY—BUT IT WAS TYPOLOGY. IT POINTED FORWARD TO CHRIST, WHO FREES HIS PEOPLE FROM SIN, GATHERS THEM INTO A NEW TEMPLE (HIS CHURCH), AND EXTENDS SALVATION TO EVERY NATION.

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD, SALVATION BELONGS TO HIM, AND IN HIM ALONE IS DELIVERANCE AND STRENGTH.

