

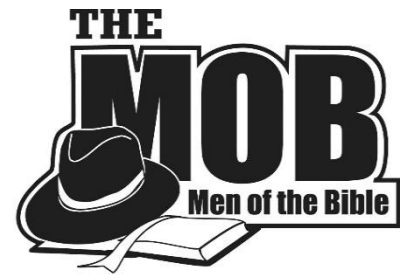
WELCOME TO THE MOB!

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV)



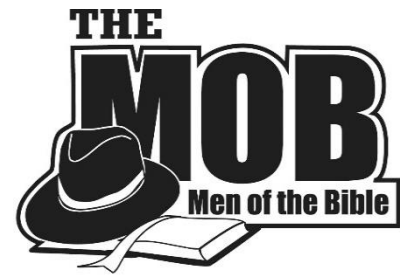
Welcome to the MOB!



- MOB Website & Resources | www.ibcmob.net
- Reduced Sunday Worship Services | 24 Dec & 31 Dec, only 9:30am and 11:10am services



Please Rise

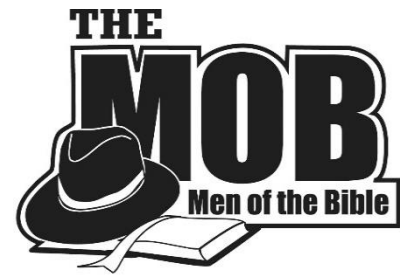


- **Invocation/Prayer**
- **Let Us Sing –**



Hark The Herald Angels Sing

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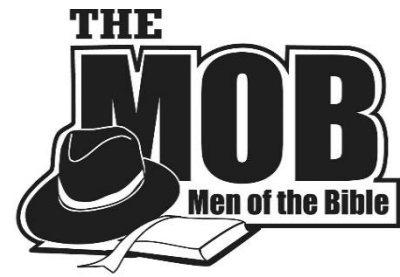


**Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King"**



Hark The Herald Angels Sing

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Christ, by highest heaven adored,

Christ, the everlasting Lord,

late in time behold him come,

offspring of the Virgin's womb:

veiled in flesh the Godhead see;

hail th'incarnate Deity,

pleased with us in flesh to dwell,

Jesus, our Immanuel.

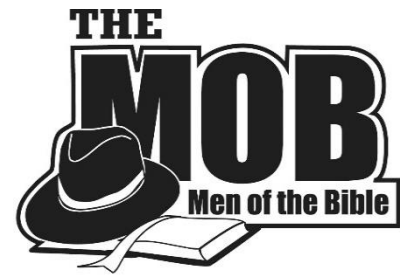
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Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Hail the Sun of Righteousness!

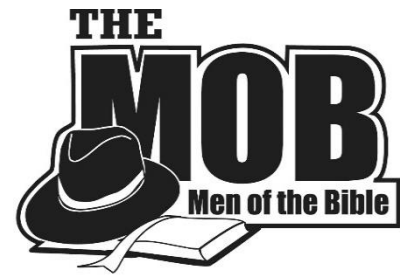
**Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.**

**Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.**

Hark! The herald angels sing

"Glory to the new-born king"

Our Isaiah Study



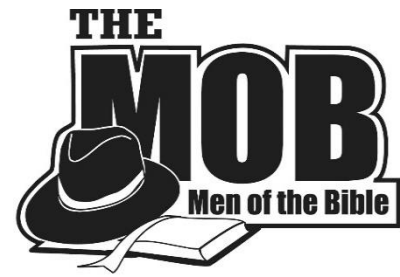
Last Meeting:

- **Isaiah 48:**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 48: 10-11**
- **Dr. Constable's Notes, pp. 328-335; Motyer, pp. 375-382**
- **Refreshment Host: Group D**

This Meeting:

- **Isaiah 49**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 49:13**
- **Dr. Constable's Notes, pp. 335-348; Motyer, pp. 383-396**
- **Refreshment Host: Group E**

Memory Verse



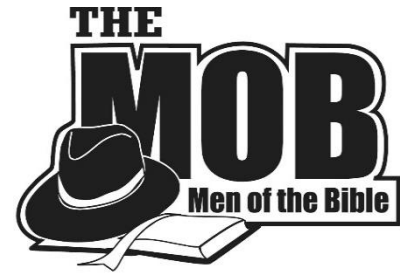
Isaiah 49:13 (ESV)


Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted.

Isaiah 49:13 (ESV)



Isaiah Outline

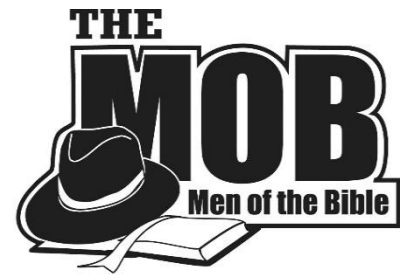


Focus	Prophecies of Condemnation								Historical Parenthesis				Prophecies of Comfort					
	1:1		35:10						36:1		39:8		40:1		66:24			
Divisions	Prophecies Against Judah		Prophecies Against the Nation		Prophecies Against the Day of the Lord		Prophecies of Judgement and Blessing		Sickness and Sin		Hezekiah's Salvation		Israel's Deliverance		Israel's Deliverer		Israel's Glorious Future	
															1:1	12:6		
Topics	Prophetic Judgement								Historic Transition				Messianic Hope					
													 We Are Here!					
Place	Israel & Judah																	
Time	740 - 680 B.C.																	

Bruce Wilkinson and Kenneth Boa, Talk Thru the Bible (Nashville: T. Nelson, 1983), 189.

Isaiah 49

Overview (Constable)



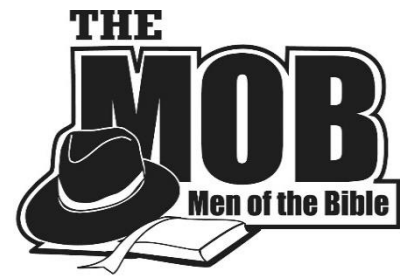
The Servant's Calling (49:1–7)

The Servant's Ministry (49:8–13)

Zion's Prominence Before God (49:14–26)

Isaiah 49:1-4

The Servant's Calling



1 Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name.

2 He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away.

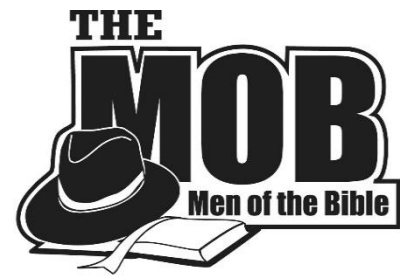
3 And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”

4 But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the LORD, and my recompense with my God.”

- We have heard “coastlands” many times as it was all the known world in the time of Isaiah
- A lot wonder who is speaking here but it becomes clear this is the Messiah, who is Jesus
- This term of “sword” is used by John in Rev 1:16 in describing Jesus
- Constable says in v.3, that this is not his name but his function
- v.4 is reminiscent of Jn 1:10-11 in that on earth Jesus was not received well with most Jews

Isaiah 49:5-7

The Servant's Calling



5 And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him - for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—

6 he says: “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

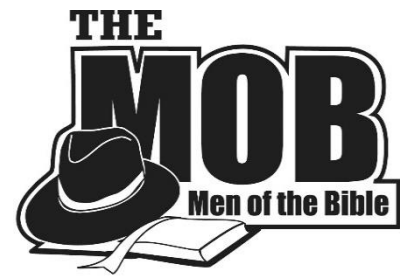
7 Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers:

“Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

- **Messiah (Jesus) is still speaking telling of his role. Jacob and Israel are the same.**
- **Even though his role started with Israel, he will now be with the world. This has to be in the future**
- **YAHWAY, “the Holy One of Israel”, is speaking now that the Messiah will be taking salvation to the world**

Isaiah 49:8-10

The Servant's Ministry



8 Thus says the LORD : “In a time of favor I have answered you; in a day of salvation I have helped you; I will keep you and give you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages,

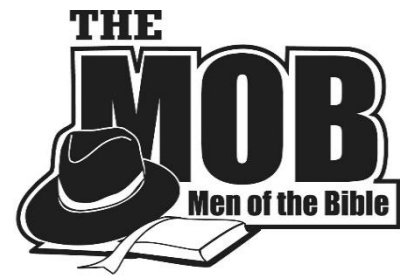
9 saying to the prisoners, ‘Come out,’ to those who are in darkness, ‘Appear.’ They shall feed along the ways; on all bare heights shall be their pasture;

10 they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them.

- **YAHWAY is still speaking telling of what his servant would do. He would be a “new covenant”, Jer 31:31-40, bringing about not just salvation but the land they had been promised**
- **In v.8 and 9 this included a restoration of the covenant people to their land**
- **They will be cared for!**

Isaiah 49:11-13

The Servant's Ministry



11 And I will make all my mountains a road, and my highways shall be raised up.

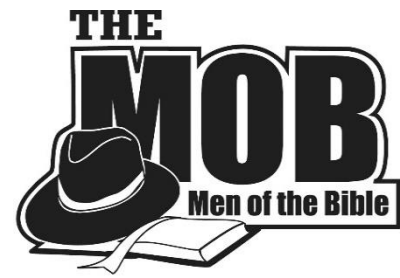
12 Behold, these shall come from afar, and behold, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene.”

13 Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted.

- This discussion of the land has to be in the future, the Millennium
- The people mentioned coming from “afar”, from Syene (Sinim), was the furthest south of Egypt. The known civilized world at the time.
- However, this had to bring joy to not just Israel but everyone and every part of the earth

Isaiah 49:14-17

Zion's prominence Before God



14 But Zion said, “The LORD has forsaken me; my LORD has forgotten me.”

15 “Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.

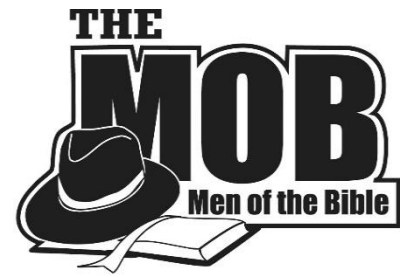
16 Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me.

17 Your builders make haste; your destroyers and those who laid you waste go out from you.

- The “But” here indicates a change. Zion (Israel) says God has forgotten her
- Even if a woman can forget her newborn, unlikely, God will always remember them, and us!
- God has “engraved” their names on his hands is an indication of how much He cares and won’t forget
- Constable has a great discussion about v.17 concerning “builder” and “sons” rebuilding Jerusalem which he says had to be out in the future

Isaiah 49:18-20

Zion's prominence Before God



18 Lift up your eyes around and see; they all gather, they come to you. As I live, declares the LORD, you shall put them all on as an ornament; you shall bind them on as a bride does.

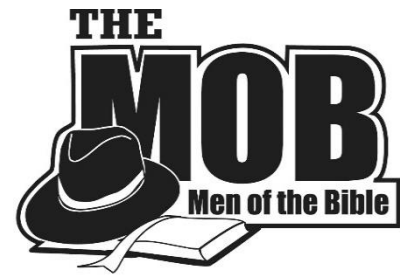
19 “Surely your waste and your desolate places and your devastated land—surely now you will be too narrow for your inhabitants, and those who swallowed you up will be far away.

20 The children of your bereavement will yet say in your ears: ‘The place is too narrow for me; make room for me to dwell in.’

- What Zion was to see was all the builders (and sons) gathered around would be like ornaments on a bride
- What was once Jerusalem’s destroyed places would one day be filled up with people and the enemies would be gone. This has to be in the future
- The “children” were of those who had been carried away and they had never returned. Not enough room for them is because there so many now returning

Isaiah 49:21-23

Zion's prominence Before God



21 Then you will say in your heart: ‘Who has borne me these? I was bereaved and barren, exiled and put away, but who has brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; from where have these come?’”

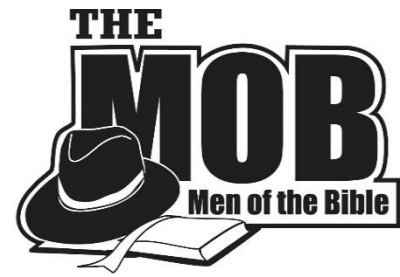
22 Thus says the LORD God: “Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations, and raise my signal to the peoples; and they shall bring your sons in their arms, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders.

23 Kings shall be your foster fathers, and their queens your nursing mothers. With their faces to the ground they shall bow down to you, and lick the dust of your feet. Then you will know that I am the LORD; those who wait for me shall not be put to shame.”

- **The ‘real’ Jews will wonder where have these so many come from? They were never there until God’s actions brought them there**
- **God is the one making this happen and the Gentiles join in when Jesus returns to help those displaced Jews return.**
- **It won’t be just some Gentiles but those in authority who have survived the Second Coming. They will now give Israel great respect since Jesus takes up his kingship there**

Isaiah 49:24-26

Zion's prominence Before God



24 Can the prey be taken from the mighty, or the captives of a tyrant be rescued?

25 For thus says the LORD:

“Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken, and the prey of the tyrant be rescued, for I will contend with those who contend with you, and I will save your children.

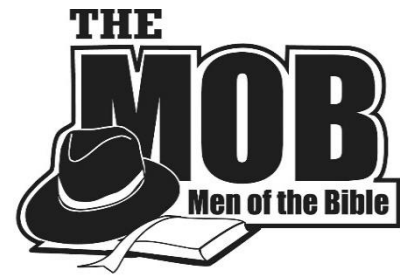
26 I will make your oppressors eat their own flesh, and they shall be drunk with their own blood as with wine. Then all flesh shall know that I am the LORD your Savior, and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.”

- **These last verses are telling how the Jews would be taken from the mighty. This will cause lots of questions to be asked by them**
- **The winner here is God ordained and the Jews will see it in the saving of their foreign counterparts**
- **This last verse makes it clear the redeemer is all our Savior, Jesus!**

Summary

- The real question we have to ask ourselves is can this be taken literally (See our SOF “What we teach”)
- Constable has a good discussion on this and premillennialist versus amillennialist
- If you are not a premillennialist, which IBC holds, then this all has to be speaking about gentiles and not just Israel
- With Christmas coming we are reminded of Jesus’ birth so, have a **Merry Christmas** and we resume on January 2, 2024!

Next Meeting



Review:

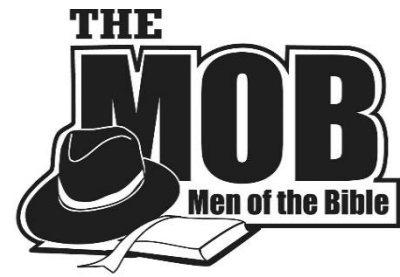
- **Isaiah 49**
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- **Dr. Constable's Notes, pp. 335-348; Motyer, pp. 383-396**

Study:

- **Isaiah 50**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 50:4**
- **Dr. Constable's Notes, pp. 348-355; Motyer, pp. 396-401**
- **Refreshment Host: Group F**

Questions & Application

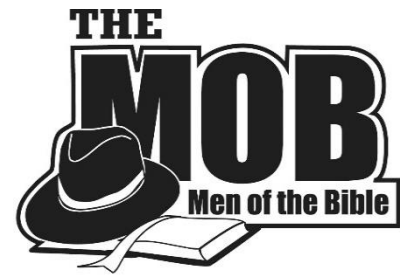
Lowell's Questions



- 1. To whom is Isaiah 49 addressed, and who's doing the addressing?**
- 2. Who are the people “called from afar” and to whom, and for what reason, are they called and told to listen?**
- 3. How might Ephesians 2:11-22 shed light on that question?**
- 4. Who's the “servant” identified in this passage, and what's His “mission”?**
- 5. What does this passage say about how His servant was prepared and equipped for his mission?**
- 6. What are the implications of one being “called from the womb”? What does it say about God, and the “sanctity of life”?**

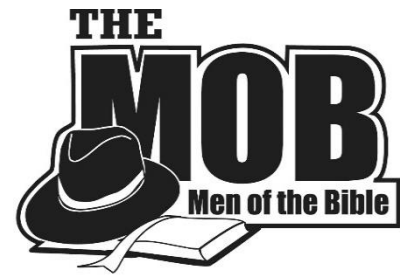
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Lowell's Questions



- 7. How does the Lord respond to Zion's charge (in verse 14) that He had "forgotten them"?**
- 8. What does it mean for Zion that God has "engraved them on the palm of His hand"—and how might this support the doctrine of the "security of a believer"?**
- 9. What are some of the things that stand out to you that God says He will do for His people in verses 17-26?**
- 10. How does this passage emphasize the "motherhood" side of God?**
- 11. What role does this passage (and other passages) indicate "Israel" will play in the last days, particularly in bringing salvation "to the nations"?**
- 12. What are some of your key "takeaways" from this lesson?**

Closing



- **Benediction**
- **Small Groups**

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