

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)

Announcements

- **MOB Website & Resources: www.ibcmob.net**
- ***Immanuel Bible Institute Classes Begin 28 January***
 - Panorama of the Bible**
 - Christian Worldview and Culture**
- ***Parent & Child Dedication Ceremony,***
January 21 each service.

Please Rise

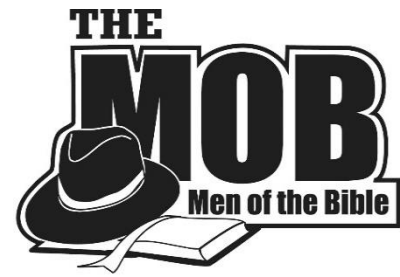
- Invocation/Prayer

- Let Us Sing –

– *“This Is My Father’s World”*

This Is My Father's World

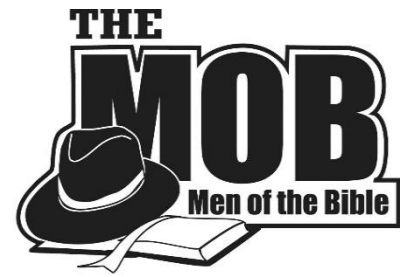
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**This is my Father's world,
And to my list'ning ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—
His hand the wonders wrought.**

This Is My Father's World

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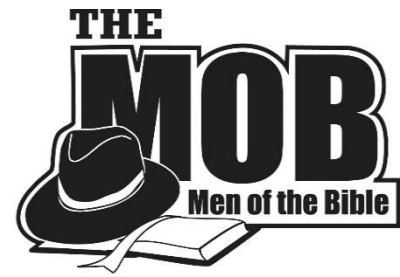


**This is my Father's world:
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker's praise.**

**This is my Father's world:
He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.**

This Is My Father's World

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**This is my Father's world:
Oh, let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world,
The battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and Heav'n be one.**

Our Isaiah Study

Last Meeting:

- Isaiah 51, The Lord's Comfort/The Remnant to be Exalted
- Memory Verse: Isaiah 51:11
- *Dr. Constable's Notes*, pp. 355-363; *Motyer*, pp. 402-415

This Meeting:

- Isaiah 52:1-10 – The LORD's Coming Salvation
- Memory Verse: Isaiah 52:7
- *Dr. Constable's Notes*, pp. 363-367; *Motyer*, pp. 415-420
- Refreshment Host: Group H

Memory Verse

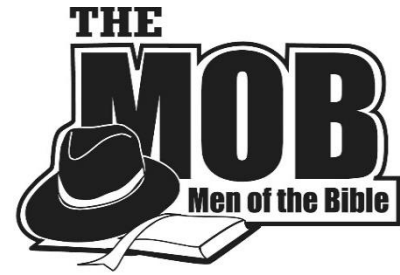
Isaiah 52:7 (ESV)

**How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him who brings good news,
who publishes peace, who brings good news of
happiness,
who publishes salvation,
who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”**

Isaiah 52:7 (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	
															49:1			
Topics	Prophetic Judgement								Historic Transition				Messianic Hope					
Place	Israel & Judah								You Are Here!									
Time	740 - 680 B.C.																	

Summary | Isaiah 52:1-10

The LORD's Coming Salvation!

Summary | Isaiah 52:1-10

Some Finer Points

- **Zion or Jerusalem** is mentioned 8 times in these 10 verses
 - 150 times in the Bible
- Means – “fortification”; Has the idea of being “raised up” as a “monument
- Also described as the city of David and the fortress of **Zion**
- When Solomon built the Temple **Zion** was expanded to include the temple area
- “**Zion**” is also used in a theological or spiritual sense











Isaiah 52:1-2

¹Awake, awake,
put on your strength, O **Zion**;
put on your beautiful garments,
O **Jerusalem**, the holy city; for there
shall no more come into you
the uncircumcised and the unclean.

²Shake yourself from the dust and
arise; be seated, O **Jerusalem**;
loose the bonds from your neck,
O captive daughter of **Zion**.

Although Zion's deliverance is wholly the work of God and not her own, she is not merely a passive recipient of God's work. Those whom God calls must exercise their own will and effort in response to what he has done on their behalf.

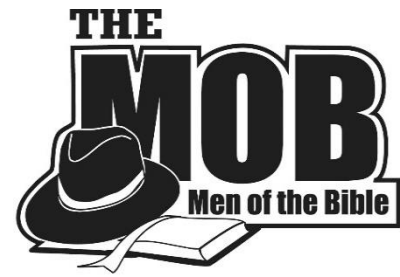
- John N. Oswalt

References to Jerusalem as "the holy city" appear in Neh. 11:1, 18; Isa. 48:2; 52:1; Dan. 9:24; Matt. 4:5; 27:53; and Rev. 11:2.

- Tom Constable 16



Isaiah 52:3-4



³ For thus says the LORD: “You were sold for nothing, and you shall be redeemed without money.” ⁴ For thus says the Lord GOD: “My people went down at the first into Egypt to sojourn there, and the Assyrian oppressed them for nothing.

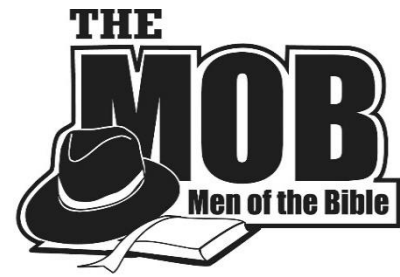
Thus Says the LORD/Lord GOD...

There is no third party involved; it is strictly a matter between him and his people. Paul makes a similar point in the NT when he says that God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself (2 Cor. 5:19). There is no barrier to our relationship with God in the world; the only barrier is in the offended justice of God.

- John Oswalt



Isaiah 52:3-4



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Isaiah 52:5-6

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Therefore...

The Lord’s conclusion to the situation was twofold: First, He would so deliver His people that there would be no question in their minds that He was the only true God (cf. Ezek. 36:21–32). Second, Yahweh would prove that He is who He claimed to be, by fulfilling what He had predicted He would do.

- Tom Constable
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God's Messenger

God's power is holy in that it is perfect and transcendent, and it is also for a holy purpose, namely, the salvation of His people (cf. Mark 1:24; Luke 4:34). Yahweh's salvation would become visible to the whole world. - Tom Constable



Watchman in the Watchtower



Isaiah 52:7-8

**⁷ How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him who brings good
news,
who publishes peace, who brings
good news of happiness, who
publishes salvation,
who says to **Zion**, “Your God reigns.”**

**⁸ The voice of your watchmen—they
lift up their voice;
together they sing for joy; for eye to
eye they see the return of the LORD to
Zion.**

The reality of what God is about to do bursts in on the hearers, and they are called on to celebrate the glory and the joy of it. As wonderful as creation was, and as true as divine providence is, it is redemption that is earth’s great song. For without redemption, creation and providence are ultimately abortive. - John N. Oswalt

Isaiah 52:9-10

**⁹ Break forth together into singing,
you waste places of **Jerusalem**,
for the LORD has comforted his
people;**

he has redeemed **Jerusalem.**

**¹⁰ The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth shall
see**

the salvation of our God.

**What was a solo in verses 7 & 8 are
now a chorus!**

**The ruins of Jerusalem symbolize
the condition of the people.**

- Oswalt

**The Lord's personal act of power
(10a) is both visible to all (10b)
and intended for all as a salvation
they may experience (10c).**

- J. A. Motyer

- **“This Is My Fathers World!”**
- **Jerusalem, Jerusalem**
- **But Wait...Guess What’s Coming Next!**

Next Meeting

Review:

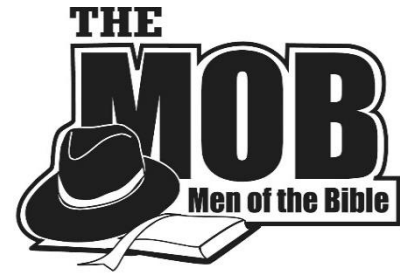
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Study:

- **Isaiah 52:11-15 – He Was Pierced for Our Transgressions**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 52:15**
- **Dr. Constable’s Notes, pp. 367-372; Motyer, pp. 420-426**
- **Refreshment: Group A**

Questions & Application

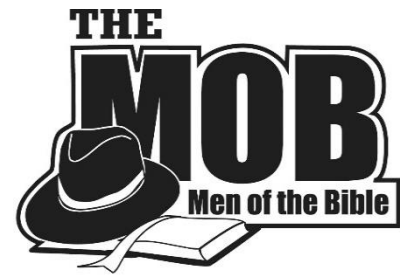
Lowell's Questions



- **What were the circumstances surrounding God's call for the people of Zion to "awaken" in verse 1, and how does it relate to the prior two wake-up calls in Isaiah 51?**
- **Why might God have asked the people to "clothe themselves in their beautiful garments" for this occasion?**
- **Why were they told to "loose themselves from the chains around their neck"?**
- **What point is God making in verse 3 by saying that they "will be redeemed without money"?**
- **Why did God see the need to restore the reputation of His divine name"?**

Questions & Application

Lowell's Questions



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- **What was going on in verses 7-8 that explains the reason for the special imagery used to describe it?**
 - **How did the “watchmen” respond to the “good news” they witnessed on the mountain?**
 - **What’s your understanding of the timeframe referred to in this passage (when “God reigns”)?**
 - **What will “all the ends of the earth” see in that day?**
 - **What the bottom line idea that you will take away from this lesson?**

Closing

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

