

## Isaiah 49:1-13 **Light to the Gentiles – Yahweh has comforted His People**

### The Servant, the Light to the Gentiles

<sup>1</sup> "Listen, O coastlands, to Me, And take heed, you peoples from afar! The Lord has called Me from the womb; From the matrix of My mother He has made mention of My name. <sup>2</sup> And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword; In the shadow of His hand He has hidden Me, And made Me a polished shaft; In His quiver He has hidden Me."

<sup>3</sup> "And He said to me, '**You are My servant, O Israel**, In whom I will be glorified.'

<sup>4</sup> Then I said, 'I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and in vain; Yet surely my just reward is with the Lord, And my work with my God.'"

<sup>5</sup> "And now the Lord says, Who formed Me from the womb to be His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, So that Israel is gathered to Him (For I shall be glorious in the eyes of the Lord, And My God shall be My strength),

<sup>6</sup> Indeed He says, 'It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, And to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as **a light to the Gentiles**, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.'"

<sup>7</sup> Thus says the Lord, The Redeemer of Israel, their Holy One, To Him whom man despises, To Him whom the nation abhors, To the Servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise, Princes also shall worship, Because of the Lord who is faithful, The Holy One of Israel; And He has chosen You."

### Promised Restoration and Comfort of His people

<sup>8</sup> Thus says the Lord:

"In an acceptable time I have heard You, And in the day of salvation I have helped You; I will preserve You and give You As a covenant to the people, To restore the earth, To cause them to inherit the desolate heritages; <sup>9</sup> That You may say to the prisoners, 'Go forth,' To those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.'

"They shall feed along the roads, And their pastures shall be on all desolate heights.

<sup>10</sup> They shall neither hunger nor thirst, Neither heat nor sun shall strike them; For He who has mercy on them will lead them, Even by the springs of water He will guide them.

<sup>11</sup> I will make each of My mountains a road, And My highways shall be elevated.

<sup>12</sup> Surely these shall come from afar; Look! Those from the north and the west, And these from the land of Sinim."

<sup>13</sup> Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For the Lord has comforted His people, And will have mercy on His afflicted.

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Facts Revealed:

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[Isaiah 49:1-4]

- ✧ The message is to the Gentiles of the world.
- ✧ The messenger is the Messiah Who was called, empowered, and protected from the womb by Yahweh.
- ✧ Yahweh said to Messiah, '**You are My servant, O Israel** (He will rule as God), In whom I will be glorified.'
- ✧ Isaiah responded as a humble man in his own eyes, yet like Job, he demonstrated his full confidence in Yahweh Elohay for his eternal reward. [Job 19:25-27]

### Messiah – Yahweh's Servant the Redeemer

- ✧ "And now Yahweh (the Lord) says, Who formed Me from the womb to be His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, So that Israel is gathered to Him (For I shall be glorious in the eyes of Yahweh (the Lord), And Elohay (My God) shall be My strength),  
Indeed He says, 'It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, And to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as **a light to the Gentiles**, That **You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.**'"

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- ✧ Messiah acknowledged His origin and purpose.
- ✧ Origin; Yahweh formed Him in the womb as He prepared a body for Himself in which He could die for the sins of the world to do the Will of the Father. [Hebrews 10:5-7]
- ✧ Purpose; To be the Servant of Yahweh.
- ✧ To bring and gather Jacob (Israel) back to their God.
- ✧ In doing the Will of the Father, Messiah will be glorious in the eyes of Yahweh.
- ✧ Yahweh Elohay provides all the strength and ability Messiah will need to accomplish His will.
- ✧ Raising the tribes of Israel back to their God is only a small part of Yahweh's purpose for Him. Messiah will also be a light to the Gentiles to provide the Salvation of Yahweh to the ends of the earth.
- ✧ Yahweh is the redeemer and Holy One of Israel, the only Savior. [Isaiah 43:11, 45:21, Hosea 13:4, Titus 1:3]
- ✧ Him Who is rejected, despised, and abhorred, sent as a Servant of rulers, will be worshipped by kings and princes because He was faithful to His calling and chosen by God Himself the Holy One of Israel.

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- ✧ Thus says Yahweh (the Lord):  
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- ✧ Yahweh speaks to the entire earth, both Jew and Gentile.

- ✧ The message speaks of the Messiah Whom Yahweh helped by raising Him from the dead and preserved Him in Heaven until the time to establish His Kingdom and the restoration of all things. [Acts 3:19-21]
- ✧ It shows His purpose to be given as a covenant to the people and to restore the earth.
- ✧ In the Kingdom age, Messiah will give the desolate heritages as an inheritance to His redeemed people.
- ✧ He will set the prisoners free, and be a light of Salvation to those who are in darkness, causing them to join the Saints in the Kingdom. [Matthew 8:11, Luke 13:29]
- ☆ "They shall feed along the roads, And their pastures shall be on all desolate heights. They shall neither hunger nor thirst, Neither heat nor sun shall strike them; For He who has mercy on them will lead them, Even by the springs of water He will guide them. I will make each of My mountains a road, And My highways shall be elevated. Surely these shall come from afar; Look! Those from the north and the west, And these from the land of Sinim." [Isaiah 49:9-12]
- ✧ Yahweh will bring His people Israel back to the land of Israel from all the nations where He had scattered them. [Deuteronomy 4:30-31, Romans 9:27, Romans 11:25-32, Hebrews 8:7-13, Isaiah 10:20-23, Isaiah 11:10-12, Isaiah 14:1-2, Isaiah 27:2-13, Ezekiel 39:25-29, Isaiah 40:1-2, Isaiah 41:1-20, Isaiah 44:21-23, Isaiah 49:1-26, Isaiah 55:1-5, Isaiah 61:4-9, Isaiah 66:20-22, Jeremiah 3:14-19, Isaiah 40:1-31, Jeremiah 16:14-18, Jeremiah 23:3-8, Jeremiah 30:1-3, Jeremiah 30:8-24, Jeremiah 31:1-40, Jeremiah 32:36-41, Jeremiah 33:6-16, Jeremiah 46:27-28, Ezekiel 11:14-21, Ezekiel 16:59-63, Ezekiel 20:39-44, Ezekiel 28:25-26, Ezekiel 34:11-31, Ezekiel 36:1-38, Ezekiel 37:1-28, Hosea 3:1-5, Amos 9:11-15, Zephaniah 3:9-20, Zechariah 9:9-17, Zechariah 10:1-12]
- ✧ The produce of the entire earth will be in great abundance so that the people will not hunger or thirst. [Isaiah 5:16-17, Isaiah 11:6-9, Isaiah 65:25, Isaiah 32:15-20, Isaiah 35:1-10, Isaiah 43:14-21, Isaiah 51:3-5, Romans 8:18-23]
- ✧ They will be sheltered from the heat of the sun and elements. [Revelation 7:14-17]
- ✧ Water will be abundantly supplied. [Isaiah 41:18, 43:19-20]
- ✧ Highways. [Isaiah 11:16, 19:23, 35:8]
- ☆ Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For Yahweh (the Lord) has comforted His people, And will have mercy on His afflicted. [Isaiah 49:13]
- ✧ Time for rejoicing because Yahweh will have comforted His people and shown mercy on His afflicted.