

## The Tsunami Blessing: Inside and Out, Part 52

**Be an eyewitness of the glory of the Lord. Look to and for the Lord for all those yielding or unmovable things around you to align with every heaven-born possibility. Every scripture is so picturesque that God frames your world with His Word so you can envision just what you will resemble when you experience His finishing touches. After the Lord gets the revelation of His Word in you, He can get the manifestation of His Word to you.**

**Throughout the book of Isaiah, you can look through the lens of your loving Heavenly Father, who always promises the best and then brings about His provision at the same level as your profession of faith. Then you will see just how far the Lord will go to pull you into divine destiny i.e., your “invincible necessity”; it is in that place that takes you farther, faster.**

### The Arrangement

Isaiah 52:13-15 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>13</sup>Behold, My <sup>[a]</sup>Servant shall deal wisely *and* shall prosper; He shall be exalted and extolled and shall stand very high.

<sup>14</sup>[For many the Servant of God became an object of horror; many were astonished at Him.] His face *and* His whole appearance were marred more than any man’s, and His form beyond that of the sons of men—but just as many were astonished at Him,

<sup>15</sup>So shall He startle *and* sprinkle many nations, and kings shall shut their mouths because of Him; for that which has not been told them shall they see, and that which they have not heard shall they consider *and* understand.

#### Footnotes:

- a. [Isaiah 52:13](#) See footnote on Isa. 42:1.

## Isaiah 53 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

Who has believed (trusted in, relied upon, and clung to) our message [of that which was revealed to us]? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been disclosed?

<sup>2</sup>For [the Servant of God] grew up before Him like a tender plant, and like a root out of dry ground; He has no form or comeliness [royal, kingly pomp], that we should look at Him, and no beauty that we should desire Him.

<sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected *and* forsaken by men, a Man of sorrows *and* pains, and acquainted with grief *and* sickness; and like One from Whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we did not appreciate His worth *or* have any esteem for Him.

<sup>4</sup>Surely He has borne our griefs (sicknesses, weaknesses, and distresses) and carried our sorrows *and* pains [of punishment], yet we [ignorantly] considered Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted by God [as if with leprosy].

<sup>5</sup>But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our guilt *and* iniquities; the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace *and* well-being for us was upon Him, and with the stripes [that wounded] Him we are healed *and* made whole.

<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord has made to light upon Him the guilt *and* iniquity of us all.

<sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, [yet when] He was afflicted, He was submissive *and* opened not His mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He opened not His mouth.

<sup>8</sup>By oppression and judgment He was taken away; and as for His generation, who among them considered that He was cut off out of the land of the living [stricken to His death] for the transgression of my [Isaiah's] people, to whom the stroke was due?

<sup>9</sup>And they assigned Him a grave with the wicked, and with a rich man in His death, although He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief *and* made Him sick. When You *and* He make His life an offering for sin [and He has risen from the dead, in time to come], He shall see His [spiritual] offspring, He shall prolong His days, and the will *and* pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

<sup>11</sup>He shall see [the fruit] of the travail of His soul and be satisfied; by His knowledge of Himself [which He possesses and imparts to others] shall My [uncompromisingly] righteous One, My Servant, justify many *and* make many righteous (upright and in right standing with God), for He shall bear their iniquities *and* their guilt [with the consequences, says the Lord].

<sup>12</sup>Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great [kings and rulers], and He shall divide the spoil with the mighty, because He poured out His life unto death, and [He let Himself] be regarded as a criminal *and* be numbered with the transgressors; yet He bore [and took away] the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors (the rebellious).

Isaiah 4:1-6 King James Version (KJV)

And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach.

<sup>2</sup>In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel.

<sup>3</sup>And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem:

<sup>4</sup>When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

<sup>5</sup>And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence.

<sup>6</sup>And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the day time from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

Jeremiah 23:5-6 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>5</sup>Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch (Sprout), and He will reign as King and do wisely and will execute justice and righteousness in the land.

<sup>6</sup>In His days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is His name by which He shall be called: The Lord Our Righteousness.

Zechariah 6:9-13 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>9</sup>And the word of the Lord came to me, saying,

<sup>10</sup>Accept donations *and* offerings from these [as representatives of the] exiles, from Heldai, from Tobijah, and from Jedaiah, who have come from Babylon; and come the same day and go to the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah.

<sup>11</sup>Yes, take from them silver and gold, and make crowns and set [one] upon the head of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest,

<sup>12</sup>And say to him, Thus says the Lord of hosts: [You, Joshua] behold (look at, keep in sight, watch) the Man [the Messiah] whose name is the Branch, for He shall grow up in His place and He shall build the [true] temple of the Lord.

<sup>13</sup>Yes, [you are building a temple of the Lord, but] it is He Who shall build the [true] temple of the Lord, and He shall bear the honor *and* glory [as of the only begotten of the Father] and shall sit and rule upon His throne. And He

shall be a <sup>[a]</sup>Priest upon His throne, and the counsel of peace shall be between the two [offices—Priest and King].

**Footnotes:**

- a. [Zechariah 6:13](#) The coming Davidic King will also be a Priest.

## **The Adjustment**

Isaiah 40:1-5 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

Comfort, comfort My people, says your God.

<sup>2</sup>Speak tenderly to the heart of Jerusalem, and cry to her that her time of service *and* her warfare are ended, that [her punishment is accepted and] her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received [punishment] from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

<sup>3</sup>A voice of one who cries: Prepare in the wilderness the way of the Lord [clear away the obstacles]; make straight *and* smooth in the desert a highway for our God!

<sup>4</sup>Every valley shall be lifted *and* filled up, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the crooked *and* uneven shall be made straight *and* level, and the rough places a plain.

<sup>5</sup>And the glory (majesty and splendor) of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.

Isaiah 51 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

Hearken to Me, you who follow after rightness *and* justice, you who seek *and* inquire of [and require] the Lord [claiming Him by necessity and by right]: look to the rock from which you were hewn and to the hole in the quarry from which you were dug;

<sup>2</sup>Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for I called him when he was but one, and I blessed him and made him many.

<sup>3</sup>For the Lord will comfort Zion; He will comfort all her waste places. And He will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song *or* instrument of praise.

<sup>4</sup>Listen to Me [the Lord], O My people, and give ear to Me, O My nation; for a [divine] law will go forth from Me, and I will establish My justice for a light to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>My rightness *and* justice are near, My salvation is going forth, and My arms shall rule the peoples; the islands shall wait for *and* expect Me, and on My arm shall they trust *and* wait with hope.

<sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath; for the heavens shall be dissolved *and* vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner [like gnats]. But My salvation shall be forever, and My rightness *and* justice [and faithfully fulfilled promise] shall not be abolished.

<sup>7</sup>Listen to Me, you who know rightness *and* justice *and* right standing with God, the people in whose heart is My law *and* My instruction: fear not the reproach of men, neither be afraid *nor* dismayed at their revilings.

<sup>8</sup>For [in comparison with the Lord they are so weak that things as insignificant as] the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool. But My rightness *and* justice [and faithfully fulfilled promise] shall be forever, and My salvation to all generations.

<sup>9</sup>[Zion now cries to the Lord, the God of Israel] Awake, awake, put on strength *and* might, O arm of the Lord; awake, as in the ancient days, as in the generations of long ago. Was it not You Who cut Rahab [Egypt] in pieces, Who pierced the dragon [symbol of Egypt]?

<sup>10</sup>Was it not You Who dried up the Red Sea, the waters of the great deep, Who made the depths of the sea a way for the redeemed to pass over? [Why then are we left so long in captivity?]

<sup>11</sup>[The Lord God says] And the redeemed of the Lord shall return and come with singing to Zion; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

<sup>12</sup>I, even I, am He Who comforts you. Who are you, that you should be afraid of man, who shall die, and of a son of man, who shall be made [as destructible] as grass,

<sup>13</sup>That you should forget the Lord your Maker, Who stretched forth the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, and fear continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, when he makes ready to destroy *or* even though he did so? And where is the fury of the oppressor?

<sup>14</sup>The captive exile *and* he who is bent down by chains shall speedily be released; and he shall not die and go down to the pit of destruction, nor shall his food fail.

<sup>15</sup>For I am the Lord your God, Who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar *and* Who by rebuke restrains it—the Lord of hosts is His name.

<sup>16</sup>And I have put My words in your mouth and have covered you with the shadow of My hand, that I may fix the [new] heavens as a tabernacle and lay the foundations of a [new] earth and say to Zion, You are My people.

<sup>17</sup>Arouse yourself, awake! Stand up, O Jerusalem, you who have drunk at the hand of the Lord the cup of His wrath, you who have drunk the cup of staggering *and* intoxication to the dregs.

<sup>18</sup>There is none to guide her among all the sons she has borne; neither is there anyone to take her by the hand among all the sons whom she has brought up.

<sup>19</sup>Two kinds of calamities have befallen you—but who feels sorry for *and* commiserates you?—they are desolation and destruction [on the land and city], and famine and sword [on the inhabitants]—how shall I comfort you *or* by whom?

<sup>20</sup>Your sons have fainted; they lie [like corpses] at the head of all the streets, like an antelope in a net; they are full [from drinking] of the wrath of the Lord, the rebuke of your God.

<sup>21</sup>Therefore, now hear this, you who are afflicted, and [who are] drunk, but not with wine [but thrown down by the wrath of God].

<sup>22</sup>Thus says your Lord, the Lord, and your God, Who pleads the cause of His people: Behold, I have taken from your hand the cup of staggering *and* intoxication; the cup of My wrath you shall drink no more.

<sup>23</sup>And I will put it into the hands of your tormentors *and* oppressors, those who said to you, Bow down, that we may ride *or* tread over you; and you have made your back like the ground and like the street for them to pass over.

## **The Assignment**

Isaiah 40:26-31 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see! Who has created these? He Who brings out their host by number and calls them all by name; through the greatness of His might and because He is strong in power, not one is missing *or* lacks anything.

<sup>27</sup>Why, O Jacob, do you say, and declare, O Israel, My way *and* my lot are hidden from the Lord, and my right is passed over without regard from my God?

<sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, does not faint or grow weary; there is no searching of His understanding.

<sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint *and* weary, and to him who has no might He increases strength [causing it to multiply and making it to abound].

<sup>30</sup>Even youths shall faint and be weary, and [selected] young men shall feebly stumble *and* fall exhausted;



<sup>31</sup> But those who wait for the Lord [who expect, look for, and hope in Him] shall change *and* renew their strength *and* power; they shall lift their wings *and* mount up [close to God] as eagles [mount up to the sun]; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint *or* become tired.

## Isaiah 60 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

Arise [from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you—rise to a new life]! Shine (be radiant with the glory of the Lord), for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!

<sup>2</sup> For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and dense darkness [all] peoples, but the Lord shall arise upon you [O Jerusalem], and His glory shall be seen on you.

<sup>3</sup> And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

<sup>4</sup> Lift up your eyes round about you and see! They all gather themselves together, they come to you. Your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried *and* nursed in the arms.

<sup>5</sup> Then you shall see and be radiant, and your heart shall thrill *and* tremble with joy [at the glorious deliverance] and be enlarged; because the abundant wealth of the [Dead] <sup>[a]</sup>Sea shall be turned to you, unto you shall the nations come with their treasures.

<sup>6</sup> A multitude of camels [from the eastern trading tribes] shall cover you [Jerusalem], the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all the men from Sheba [who once came to trade] shall come, bringing gold and frankincense and proclaiming the praises of the Lord.

<sup>7</sup> All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you [as the eastern pastoral tribes join the trading tribes], the rams of Nebaioth shall minister to you; they shall come up with acceptance on My altar, and My glorious house I will glorify.

<sup>8</sup>Who are these who fly like a cloud, and like doves to their windows?

<sup>9</sup>Surely the isles *and* distant coastlands shall wait for *and* expect Me; and the ships of Tarshish [shall come] first, to bring your sons from afar, their silver and gold with them, for the name of the Lord your God, for the Holy One of Israel, because He has beautified *and* glorified you.

<sup>10</sup>Foreigners shall build up your walls, and their kings shall minister to you; for in My wrath I smote you, but in My favor, pleasure, *and* goodwill I have had mercy, love, *and* pity for you.

<sup>11</sup>And your gates shall be open continually, they shall not be shut day or night, that men may bring to you the wealth of the nations—and their kings led in procession [your voluntary captives].

<sup>12</sup>For the nation and kingdom that will not serve you in that day [Jerusalem] shall perish; yes, those nations shall be utterly laid waste.

<sup>13</sup>The glory of Lebanon shall come to you, the cypress, the plane, and the pine [trees] together, to beautify the place of My sanctuary; and I will make the place of My feet glorious.

<sup>14</sup>The sons of those who afflicted you shall come bending low to you, and all those who despised you shall bow down at your feet, and they shall call you the City of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

<sup>15</sup>Whereas you have been forsaken and hated, so that no man passed through you, I will make you [Jerusalem] an eternal glory, a joy from age to age.

<sup>16</sup>You shall suck the milk of the [Gentile] nations and shall suck the breast of kings; and you shall recognize *and* know that I, the Lord, am your Savior and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.

<sup>17</sup>Instead of bronze I will bring gold, and instead of iron I will bring silver; and instead of wood, bronze, and instead of stones, iron. [Instead of the tyranny of the present] I will appoint peace as your officers and righteousness as your taskmasters.

<sup>18</sup>Violence shall no more be heard in your land, nor devastation or destruction within your borders, but you shall call your walls Salvation and your gates Praise.

<sup>19</sup>The sun shall no more be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you, but the Lord shall be to you an everlasting light, and your God your glory *and* your beauty.

<sup>20</sup>Your sun shall no more go down, nor shall your moon withdraw itself, for the Lord shall be your everlasting light, and the days of your mourning shall be ended.

<sup>21</sup>Your people also shall all be [uncompromisingly and consistently] righteous; they shall possess the land forever, the branch of My planting, the work of My hands, that I may be glorified.

<sup>22</sup>The least one shall become a thousand [a clan], and the small one a strong nation. I, the Lord, will hasten it in its [appointed] time.

## **The Achievement**

Isaiah 44:26-28 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>26</sup>[The Lord] Who confirms the word of His servant and performs the counsel of His messengers, Who says of Jerusalem, She shall [again] be inhabited, and of the cities of Judah, They shall [again] be built, and I will raise up their ruins,

<sup>27</sup>Who says to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up your rivers,

<sup>28</sup>Who says of Cyrus, He is My shepherd (ruler), and he shall perform all My pleasure *and* fulfill all My purpose—even saying of Jerusalem, She shall [again] be built, and of the temple, Your foundation shall [again] be laid.

Isaiah 45 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

Thus says the Lord to His anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have held to subdue nations before him, and I will unarm *and* ungird the loins of kings to open doors before him, so that gates will not be shut.

<sup>2</sup>I will go before you and level the mountains [to make the crooked places straight]; I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut asunder the bars of iron.

<sup>3</sup>And I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, Who calls you by your name.

<sup>4</sup>For the sake of Jacob My servant, and of Israel My chosen, I have called you by your name. I have surnamed you, though you have not known Me.

<sup>5</sup>I am the Lord, and there is no one else; there is no God besides Me. I will gird *and* arm you, though you have not known Me,

<sup>6</sup>That men may know from the east *and* the rising of the sun and from the west *and* the setting of the sun that there is no God besides Me. I am the Lord, and no one else [is He].

<sup>7</sup>I form the light and create darkness, I make peace [national well-being] and I create [physical] <sup>[a]</sup>evil (calamity); I am the Lord, Who does all these things.

<sup>8</sup>Let fall in showers, you heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness [the pure, spiritual, heaven-born possibilities that have their foundation in the holy being of God]; let the earth open, and let them [skies and earth] sprout forth salvation, and let righteousness germinate *and* spring up [as plants do] together; I the Lord have created it.

<sup>9</sup>Woe to him who strives with his Maker!—a worthless piece of broken pottery among other pieces equally worthless [and yet presuming to strive with his Maker]! Shall the clay say to him who fashions it, What do you think you are making? or, Your work has no handles?

<sup>10</sup>Woe to him [who complains against his parents that they have begotten him] who says to a father, What are you begetting? or to a woman, With what are you in travail?

<sup>11</sup>Thus says the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, and its Maker: Would you question Me about things to come concerning My children, and concerning the work of My hands [would you] command Me?

<sup>12</sup>I made the earth and created man upon it. I, with My hands, stretched out the heavens, and I commanded all their host.

<sup>13</sup>I will raise [Cyrus] up in righteousness [willing in every way that which is right and proper], and I will direct all his ways; he will build My city, and he will let My captives go, not for hire or for a bribe, says the Lord of hosts.

<sup>14</sup>Thus says the Lord: The labor *and* wealth of Egypt and the merchandise of Ethiopia and the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over to you and they shall be yours; they shall follow you; in chains [of subjection to you] they shall come over, and they shall fall down before you; they shall make supplication to you, saying, Surely God is with you, and there is no other, no God besides Him.

<sup>15</sup>Truly You are a God Who hides Himself, O God of Israel, the Savior.

<sup>16</sup>They shall be put to shame, yes, confounded, all of them; they who are makers of idols shall go off into confusion together.

<sup>17</sup>But Israel shall be saved by the Lord with an everlasting salvation; you shall not be put to shame or confounded to all eternity.

<sup>18</sup>For thus says the Lord—Who created the heavens, God Himself, Who formed the earth and made it, Who established it and did not create it to be a worthless waste; He formed it to be inhabited—I am the Lord, and there is no one else.

<sup>19</sup>I have not spoken in secret, in a corner of the land of darkness; I did not call the descendants of Jacob [to a fruitless service], saying, Seek Me for nothing [but I promised them a just reward]. I, the Lord, speak

righteousness (the truth—trustworthy, straightforward correspondence between deeds and words); I declare things that are right.

<sup>20</sup>Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, you survivors of the nations! They have no knowledge who carry about [in religious processions or into battle] their wooden idols and keep on praying to a god that cannot save.

<sup>21</sup>Declare and bring forward your strong arguments [for praying to gods that cannot save]; yes, take counsel together. Who announced this [the rise of Cyrus and his conquests] beforehand (long ago)? [What god] declared it of old? Was it not I, the Lord? And there is no other God besides Me, a rigidly *and* uncompromisingly just *and* righteous God and Savior; there is none besides Me.

<sup>22</sup>Look to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.

<sup>23</sup>I have sworn by Myself, the word is gone out of My mouth in righteousness and shall not return, that unto Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear [allegiance].

<sup>24</sup>Only in the Lord shall one say, I have righteousness (salvation and victory) and strength [to achieve]. To Him shall all come who were incensed against Him, and they shall be ashamed.

<sup>25</sup>In the Lord shall all the offspring of Israel be justified (enjoy righteousness, salvation, and victory) and shall glory.

## **The Acknowledgement**

Isaiah 55 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

Wait *and* listen, everyone who is thirsty! Come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Yes, come, buy [priceless, spiritual] wine and milk without money and without price [simply for the self-surrender that accepts the blessing].

<sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your earnings for what does not satisfy? Hearken diligently to Me, and eat what is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness [the profuseness of spiritual joy].

<sup>3</sup>Incline your ear [submit and consent to the divine will] and come to Me; hear, and your soul will revive; and I will make an everlasting covenant *or* league with you, even the sure mercy (kindness, goodwill, and compassion) promised to David.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, I have appointed him (Him) [David, as a representative of the Messiah, or the Messiah Himself] to be a witness [one (One) who shall testify of salvation] to the nations, a prince (Prince) and commander (Commander) to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>Behold, you <sup>[a]</sup>[Israel] shall call nations that you know not, and nations that do not know you shall run to you because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for He has glorified you.

<sup>6</sup>Seek, inquire for, *and* require the Lord while He may be found [claiming Him by necessity and by right]; call upon Him while He is near.

<sup>7</sup>Let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return to the Lord, and He will have love, pity, *and* mercy for him, and to our God, for He will multiply to him His abundant pardon.

<sup>8</sup>For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, says the Lord.

<sup>9</sup>For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts.

<sup>10</sup>For as the rain and snow come down from the heavens, and return not there again, but water the earth and make it bring forth and sprout, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

<sup>11</sup>So shall My word be that goes forth out of My mouth: it shall not return to Me void [without producing any effect, useless], but it shall accomplish that

which I please *and* purpose, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

<sup>12</sup>For you shall go out [from the spiritual exile caused by sin and evil into the homeland] with joy and be led forth [by your Leader, the Lord Himself, and His word] with peace; the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree; and it shall be to the Lord for a name of renown, for an everlasting sign [of jubilant exaltation] *and* memorial [to His praise], which shall not be cut off.

**Footnotes:**

- a. [Isaiah 55:5](#) The identification of the one here addressed is uncertain. A proportionately large number of authorities believe it to be Israel, as here indicated, but other interpreters think it is the Messiah [the second David], or David as His representative.

John 15 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

I am the True Vine, and My Father is the Vinedresser.

<sup>2</sup>Any branch in Me that does not bear fruit [that stops bearing] He cuts away (trims off, takes away); and He cleanses *and* repeatedly prunes every branch that continues to bear fruit, to make it bear more *and* richer *and* more excellent fruit.

<sup>3</sup>You are cleansed *and* pruned already, because of the word which I have given you [the teachings I have discussed with you].

<sup>4</sup>Dwell in Me, and I will dwell in you. [Live in Me, and I will live in you.] Just as no branch can bear fruit of itself without abiding in (being vitally united to) the vine, neither can you bear fruit unless you abide in Me.

<sup>5</sup>I am the Vine; you are the branches. Whoever lives in Me and I in him bears much (abundant) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing.



<sup>6</sup>If a person does not dwell in Me, he is thrown out like a [broken-off] branch, and withers; such branches are gathered up and thrown into the fire, and they are burned.

<sup>7</sup>If you live in Me [abide vitally united to Me] and My words remain in you *and* continue to live in your hearts, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.

<sup>8</sup>When you bear (produce) much fruit, My Father is honored *and* glorified, and you show *and* prove yourselves to be true followers of Mine.

<sup>9</sup>I have loved you, [just] as the Father has loved Me; abide in My love [a]continue in His love with Me].

<sup>10</sup>If you keep My commandments [if you continue to obey My instructions], you will abide in My love *and* live on in it, just as I have obeyed My Father's commandments and live on in His love.

<sup>11</sup>I have told you these things, that My joy *and* delight may be in you, and that your joy *and* gladness may be of full measure *and* complete *and* overflowing.

<sup>12</sup>This is My commandment: that you love one another [just] as I have loved you.

<sup>13</sup>No one has greater love [no one has shown stronger affection] than to lay down (give up) his own life for his friends.

<sup>14</sup>You are My friends if you keep on doing the things which I command you to do.

<sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants (slaves) any longer, for the servant does not know what his master is doing (working out). But I have called you My friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from My Father. [I have revealed to you everything that I have learned from Him.]

<sup>16</sup>You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you and I have appointed you [I have planted you], that you might go and bear fruit *and* keep on bearing,

and that your fruit may be lasting [that it may remain, abide], so that whatever you ask the Father in My Name [as <sup>[b]</sup>presenting all that I AM], He may give it to you.

<sup>17</sup>This is what I command you: that you love one another.

<sup>18</sup>If the world hates you, know that it hated Me before it hated you.

<sup>19</sup>If you belonged to the world, the world would treat you with affection *and* would love you as its own. But because you are not of the world [no longer one with it], but I have chosen (selected) you out of the world, the world hates (detests) you.

<sup>20</sup>Remember that I told you, A servant is not greater than his master [is not superior to him]. If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they kept My word *and* obeyed My teachings, they will also keep *and* obey yours.

<sup>21</sup>But they will do all this to you [inflict all this suffering on you] because of [your bearing] My name *and* on My account, for they do not know *or* understand the One Who sent Me.

<sup>22</sup>If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not be guilty of sin [would be blameless]; but now they have no excuse for their sin.

<sup>23</sup>Whoever hates Me also hates My Father.

<sup>24</sup>If I had not done (accomplished) among them the works which no one else ever did, they would not be guilty of sin. But [the fact is] now they have both seen [these works] and have hated both Me and My Father.

<sup>25</sup>But [this is so] that the word written in their Law might be fulfilled, They hated Me without a cause.

<sup>26</sup>But when the Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Advocate, Intercessor, Strengtheners, Standby) comes, Whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of Truth Who comes (proceeds) from the Father, He [Himself] will testify regarding Me.

<sup>27</sup> But you also will testify *and* be My witnesses, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

## **The Advancement**

Isaiah 58:5-12 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>5</sup> Is such a fast as yours what I have chosen, a day for a man to humble himself with sorrow in his soul? [Is true fasting merely mechanical?] Is it only to bow down his head like a bulrush and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him [to indicate a condition of heart that he does not have]? Will you call this a fast and an acceptable day to the Lord?

<sup>6</sup> [Rather] is not this the fast that I have chosen: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the bands of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every [enslaving] yoke?

<sup>7</sup> Is it not to divide your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house—when you see the naked, that you cover him, and that you hide not yourself from [the needs of] your own flesh *and* blood?

<sup>8</sup> Then shall your light break forth like the morning, and your healing (your restoration and the power of a new life) shall spring forth speedily; your righteousness (your rightness, your justice, and your right relationship with God) shall go before you [conducting you to peace and prosperity], and the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

<sup>9</sup> Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry, and He will say, Here I am. If you take away from your midst yokes of oppression [wherever you find them], the finger pointed in scorn [toward the oppressed or the godly], and every form of false, harsh, unjust, *and* wicked speaking,

<sup>10</sup> And if you pour out that with which you sustain your own life for the hungry and satisfy the need of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in darkness, and your obscurity *and* gloom become like the noonday.

<sup>11</sup>And the Lord shall guide you continually and satisfy you in drought *and* in dry places and make strong your bones. And you shall be like a watered garden and like a spring of water whose waters fail not.

<sup>12</sup>And your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of [buildings that have laid waste for] many generations; and you shall be called Repairer of the Breach, Restorer of Streets to Dwell In.

### Isaiah 61 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed *and* qualified me to preach the Gospel *of* good tidings to the meek, the poor, *and* afflicted; He has sent me to bind up *and* heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the [physical and spiritual] captives and the opening of the prison *and* of the eyes to those who are bound,

<sup>2</sup>To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord [the year of His favor] <sup>[a]</sup>and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,

<sup>3</sup>To grant [consolation and joy] to those who mourn in Zion—to give them an ornament (a garland or diadem) of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, the garment [expressive] of praise instead of a heavy, burdened, *and* failing spirit—that they may be called oaks of righteousness [lofty, strong, and magnificent, distinguished for uprightness, justice, and right standing with God], the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified.

<sup>4</sup>And they shall rebuild the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former desolations and renew the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

<sup>5</sup>Aliens shall stand [ready] and feed your flocks, and foreigners shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.

<sup>6</sup>But you shall be called the priests of the Lord; people will speak of you as the ministers of our God. You shall eat the wealth of the nations, and the glory [once that of your captors] shall be yours.

<sup>7</sup>Instead of your [former] shame you shall have a twofold recompense; instead of dishonor *and* reproach [your people] shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double [what they had forfeited]; everlasting joy shall be theirs.

<sup>8</sup>For I the Lord love justice; I hate robbery *and* wrong with violence *or* a burnt offering. And I will faithfully give them their recompense in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant *or* league with them.

<sup>9</sup>And their offspring shall be known among the nations and their descendants among the peoples. All who see them [in their prosperity] will recognize *and* acknowledge that they are the people whom the Lord has blessed.

<sup>10</sup>I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul will exult in my God; for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

<sup>11</sup>For as [surely as] the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring forth, so [surely] the Lord God will cause rightness *and* justice and praise to spring forth before all the nations [through the self-fulfilling power of His word].

#### Amos 9:11-15 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>11</sup>In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David, the fallen hut *or* booth, and close up its breaches; and I will raise up its ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old, <sup>12</sup>That they may possess the remnant of Edom and of all the nations that are called by My name, says the Lord Who does this. <sup>13</sup>Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows the seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine and all the hills shall melt [that is, everything heretofore barren and unfruitful shall overflow with spiritual blessing]. <sup>14</sup>And I will bring back the exiles of My people Israel, and they shall build the waste cities and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards and drink the wine from them; they shall also make gardens and eat the

fruit of them. <sup>15</sup>And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be torn up out of their land which I gave them, says the Lord your God.