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Watch **Israel** and **Judah** – greatly blessed by God. **Israel** = **Ephraim** who received the promises given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, promised to become a commonwealth of nations, **Manasseh** promised to become a great nation; and **Judah** promised the law giver Messiah. The book of Isaiah has two great divisions; **first**: chapters 1–39; God's Criticism of both rebel houses **Israel** and **Judah**, thereby affecting all the local neighbors in the hood; and **second**: chapters 40–66; God's Consolation to both houses who have separate histories. The great Isaiah scroll found in the Qumran caves, dated from the 2nd century BC has put to rest many wild speculations about prophet Isaiah.



1 But now thus says the LORD, He who created you, O scoundrel **Jacob, and He who made you, O **Israel**, **Ephraim** and **Manasseh**, Do not fear: for I have redeemed you, I have called you by name, you are Mine / when God says, Do not fear, it is because something is coming that could cause them great fear. **Where is Israel?****

watch the timeline: **when Ephraim's Israel is moving to the new place.**

2 When you pass through the waters, I am with you, the rivers will not overflow. When you walk through the fiery trial, you will not be burned; the flames will not scorch you. / until now Ephraim traveled by foot to the west and had come to when they would cross the rough channel to their new Island territory? Most would not know how to swim.

3 For **I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior: I gave Egypt for your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba instead of you.**

4 Since you are precious in My sight, so honored, so beloved: I give others for you, and nations for your life.

5 Do not fear: for I am with you: From the **east I will bring your descendants; and from the **west** gather you; / **Israel** – those **ruled by God** will be scattered everywhere.**

6 I will say to the **north, Give up / hand them over; to the **south**, Do not withhold: bring my sons from far, my daughters **from the ends of the earth**;**

7 everyone who is **called by My name: for My glory, I created them, I formed them; yes, I made them.**

8 Bring those who are blind though they have eyes, and the deaf though they have ears. / even bring the hardheads, who have no insight or understanding.

⁹All the nations have gathered together, that the peoples may be assembled: Who among them can declare this, and show us former things? / the first things; things from the beginning? Let them bring their witnesses, that they be justified: let them hear and say: it is true. / is this an end time gathering of all the heathen nations?

¹⁰You are My witnesses, says the LORD, My servant whom I have chosen that you may know and believe Me, and understand that I am He: / those who speak His truth are His choice; the truth seekers get the Lord's vote; / now we'd say: **He's the One**; about Him, **He is head** of the church, we are His body -- **Ephesians 1**; think about it, at best that means we are shoulders or arms, hands or fingers; legs, feet or toes... no brains for the Lord; no ears for the Lord; no eyes for the Lord, no nose for the Lord, and no mouth for the Lord. And should any object to the last sense, all God's senses function perfectly; the book of Hebrews silences any objection: God spoke in various ways in bits and pieces through the prophets, **but in these last days spoke to us through His Son** (end of subject)

before Me no God was formed: and after there will be none.

¹¹I... I am the LORD; and beside Me is no Savior / God says, looking around where He sits, there ain't anybody else; isn't it interesting, the Caesars erroneously thought they were the savior of the world; but Peter, Paul and Mary all assure us their Savior was not in Rome; and He lives and reigns in heaven – Hallelujah!

¹²I declared, I saved, I announced nothing strange / there was no foreign demon god among you:

you are My witnesses, says the LORD, and I am God.

¹³Yes, before the first day I am He; none can deliver from My hand: I work, and who can stop it? / from eternity past, what God does, no one can hinder. And He declares His majestic uniqueness, to teach His people in all these truths -- no need to look around.

¹⁴Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel / the Creator and Maker; the Savior, the King; who alone has the full payment for a debt we could never pay in a million years; a name Isaiah uses 30 times; He is very different than us;

So I sent you to Babylon, and brought down all their crooked fugitives, and the Chaldeans who rejoice in their ships / those sword wielding maniacs... and not one of their wooden ships sunk like the great Titanic; however every one of them rotted along some shoreline.

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15 I am the LORD, your Holy One, your King; creating Israel / some people imagine life as being totally prescribed... as if every step, and thought and action is somehow planned by God; their life is usually dotted with fear of offending Him; rather than raising our thoughts higher to a perfect Father who can multitask like no other, who daily works with a broken creation.

16 Thus says the LORD: who makes a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters / the Lord travels uncommon paths; He can walk on water;

17 bringing out the chariot and horse, the army and the power, altogether they will lie down, they will not rise again: extinguished like a wick / like taking garbage to the curb; the Lord of hosts can take the entire array of mankind's finest military might; yank their harness to serve His purpose, and when He is finished, when they are no longer needed He adds this comment with a YAWN; their great military prowess, is snuffed out like a birthday candle.

18 Do not remember the former things, do not consider the things of old / the Lord God says, forget the past.

19 Behold, I do a new thing and now it blossoms; will you not notice it? I will make in the wilderness a way and in the desert, streams / will Ephraim or Manasseh even notice? the response is not: **Yep, I know**. The Lord God says, reconsider; God lives, He is doing something **new**; He is creative; tirelessly working His creation; will you not be aware of it?

20 Honoring Me are the beasts of the fields, the dragons, and the screech owls: because I place in the wilderness streams for the animals, and rivers in the desert, giving drink to My people, My chosen / in Hebrew: **tannim**, the monsters. The word: **dinosaur** was only invented in the mid-1800s. Only in the 21st century, recent discoveries found in dinosaur heaps – suppressed by the science and education communities, blowing apart their evolution theories, that show **Triceratops with soft tissue and blood** has been extracted from these non-fossilized remains proving that these giant animals -- not millions of years old, or there would be **no** blood in the tissue; these creatures lived within the past 4000 years. The massive Triceratops are still honoring God their Creator, in the 21st century. Even in the wilderness homeland where the nation of **Manasseh** at the center of the earth, the Creator God does His part, providing for the creepy animals and people.



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²¹ **The people I formed for Myself to retell My praise.** / those who know what He said; also see His loving hand still move today in massive **Ephraim's and Manasseh's Israel** He says I fashioned them to proclaim His great kindness. We know God speaks from His heaven, and He will always have the last laugh. **He also sings and wants us to join Him, to tell our soul, the greatness of our God;** but in this case it's a lament.



²² Yet **you** have **not** called on Me, O **Jacob**; **you** have been tired of Me, O **Israel**. ²³ **You** have not brought Me the smallest burnt offering; **Your** sacrifices have not honored Me. (I have not burdened you with offerings, nor wearied you with incense.)

²⁴ Yet **you** brought Me no silver with the sweet cane; and the fat of your sacrifices **you** have not lavishly offered: instead **you** served Me your sins, **you** wearied Me with your crimes. ¹¹ **I... I am He** who blots out **your** stepping over the line -- for My own sake, and **your** sins I will **not** remember.

²⁶ **Remember Me,** let us argue the case together: State your cause, that you may be proved right. / something we should do every day, we should acknowledge our great God; who has mercy for those who love Him; Moses reminds us, those who hate Him, He will reward to their face. God is not populating heaven with earth's trailer trash; God is not a fool; and He is nobody's maid service:

²⁷ **Your** fathers sinned, and **your** teachers stepped over the line against Me. ²⁸ So, I consider the rulers of the sanctuary ordinary / not worthy of respect. I relegate a curse to **Jacob**; and to **Israel** censures.

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