

Isaiah 25:9

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Analysis

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us (הִנֵּה אֱלֹהֵינוּ זֶה)—The demonstrative pronoun zeh (this one) conveys joyful recognition: this is the God we longed for! The verb qivvinu (we waited, hoped) in piel stem indicates patient, expectant waiting. **This is the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation**—The parallelism repeats the waiting motif with added response: nagilah ve-nismechah (we will rejoice and be glad). The Hebrew word order emphasizes action: 'Let us be glad! Let us rejoice!'

This verse captures the eschatological climax: vindication after suffering, deliverance after oppression, joy after sorrow. The repeated 'we have waited' honors patient faith that endures despite delay. Abraham waited (Hebrews 6:15), Moses endured (Hebrews 11:27), prophets inquired and searched (1 Peter 1:10-11). The verb yasha (save) connects to Jesus's name—Yeshua (Salvation). This prophetic song finds ultimate fulfillment when Christ returns: 'This is our God for whom we waited—Jesus!' The wedding feast begins (Revelation 19:7-9), tears are wiped away (21:4), and eternal gladness replaces earthly sorrow.

Historical Context

Isaiah wrote during Assyrian crisis (8th century BC) when faithful Jews questioned whether God would fulfill covenant promises. The 'waiting' theme resonates with

exiles longing for restoration, persecuted Christians awaiting Christ's return, and all believers groaning for redemption's completion (Romans 8:23-25). Each generation waits, and each finds partial fulfillment pointing to final fulfillment.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 – Confession and belief for salvation

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith.

Study Questions

1. What does it mean to 'wait for God'—how is this different from passive resignation or active presumption?
2. How does patient waiting for God's salvation develop faith and character in ways immediate deliverance cannot?
3. What will it feel like to finally say 'Lo, this is our God!' when Christ appears—and how does hope of that joy sustain present suffering?

Interlinear Text

וְאֵמֶר	וְיֻמַּתְּרֶת	וְיִמְלָא	וְיִמְלָא	וְיִמְלָא	וְיִמְלָא	וְיִמְלָא
And it shall be said	in that day	H1931	H2009	Lo this is our God		H2088

וְהַיְהּ כִּי־יְמִינָה לְזִמְרָה
we have waited for him and he will save us this is the LORD

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 27:14 (References Lord): Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

Genesis 49:18 (Salvation): I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.

Psalms 20:5 (Salvation): We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.

Micah 7:7 (Salvation): Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

Revelation 1:7 (Parallel theme): Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Isaiah 35:2 (References God): It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God.

Titus 2:13 (Salvation): Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

Revelation 22:20 (References Lord): He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

Isaiah 35:10 (References Lord): And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isaiah 40:9 (References God): O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!