

Isaiah 40:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

Analysis

The revelation of God's glory ('kavod' in Hebrew, denoting weighty significance and splendor) is central to redemptive history. The universal scope—'all flesh shall see it together'—points beyond Israel's restoration to the gospel's worldwide proclamation. God's spoken word guarantees this certainty, for His promises cannot fail.

Historical Context

This prophecy anticipated both the return from exile and ultimately the incarnation, when 'the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory' (John 1:14).

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How have you personally witnessed God's glory revealed in your life?

2. What does it mean that God's glory will be revealed to all nations, not just Israel?

Interlinear Text

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| וְנִגְלָה הַ | כְּבוֹד וְ | יְהוָה הַ | וְכָל וְ | כָּל | בָּשָׂר |
| shall be revealed | And the glory | of the LORD | shall see | H3605 | and all flesh |
| H1540 | H3519 | H3068 | H7200 | | H1320 |
| וְיִתְּצוּ | פִּי | פִּי | יְהוָה הַ | דִּבֶּר: | |
| it together | H3588 | for the mouth | of the LORD | hath spoken | |
| H3162 | | H6310 | H3068 | H1696 | |

Additional Cross-References

Habakkuk 2:14 (Glory): For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

Joel 2:28 (Parallel theme): And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

Isaiah 52:10 (References Lord): The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Luke 3:6 (Parallel theme): And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Isaiah 11:9 (References Lord): They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 60:1 (Glory): Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

2 Corinthians 4:6 (Glory): For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 58:14 (References Lord): Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

Isaiah 6:3 (Glory): And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Psalms 72:19 (Glory): And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory; Amen, and Amen.

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