

# Isaiah 42:24

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not the LORD, he against whom we have sinned? for they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient unto his law.

## Analysis

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God asks who gave Jacob to robbers and Israel to spoilers, then answers: 'the LORD, he against whom we have sinned.' The shift from third to first person ('we have sinned') acknowledges corporate guilt. The Hebrew 'chata' (sinned) admits covenant violations brought judgment. God Himself delivered them to enemies as discipline.

## Historical Context

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This confesses that exile wasn't due to God's weakness or Babylon's superior power, but to Israel's sin provoking divine judgment. Recognizing God's hand in discipline is first step toward repentance.

## Related Passages

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**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does acknowledging God's hand in your difficulties change your response to hardship?

2. What sins have brought divine discipline into your life requiring honest confession?

## Interlinear Text

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מִי	נָתַן	לְמַשׁוֹסֵה	בְּ	יַעֲקֹב	לְ	יִשְׂרָאֵל	לְבַזֵּי	יָם	הָ	וָא
H4310	<b>Who gave</b>	H4882		<b>Jacob</b>	<b>and Israel</b>	<b>to the robbers</b>				H3808
	H5414			H3290	H3478	H962				
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יְהוָה ה'			זו	חָטָאנוּ	ל'	וְ	אֲבִי	וְ	אֲבִי	וְ
<b>did not the LORD</b>			<b>he against whom</b>	<b>we have sinned</b>			<b>for they would</b>			
H3068			H2098	H2398	H0	H3808	H14			
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בְּדַרְכָּיו			וְ	הָ	וְ	אֲבִי	וְ	אֲבִי	וְ	אֲבִי
<b>in his ways</b>			<b>not walk</b>		<b>neither were they obedient</b>	<b>unto his law</b>				
H1870			H1980	H3808	H8085	H8451				

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