Isaiah 43

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Israel's Only Savior

- ¹ But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine.
- ² When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.
- ³ For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.
- ⁴ Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.
- ⁵ Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;
- ⁶ I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth;
- ⁷ Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.
- ⁸ Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.
- ⁹ Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is truth.

- ¹⁰ Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.
- ¹¹ I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.
- ¹² I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God.
- ¹³ Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it?
- Thus saith the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; For your sake I have sent to Babylon, and have brought down all their nobles, and the Chaldeans, whose cry is in the ships.
- ¹⁵ I am the LORD, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.
- 16 Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;
- Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.
- $^{18}\,$ Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.
- Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.
- ²⁰ The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons and the owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.
- ²¹ This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.
- ²² But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.

- Thou hast not brought me the small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.
- Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities.
- 25 I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.
- Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.
- ²⁷ Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers have transgressed against me.
- ²⁸ Therefore I have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and have given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Believe — אָמַן (Aman)

To believe, trust, be faithful

The Hebrew **aman** (אָמַן) means to believe or confirm—the root of 'Amen.' It conveys firm trust and reliability. Abraham 'believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness' (Genesis 15:6).

(Kavod) כַבוֹד (Kavod

Glory, weight, honor

The Hebrew **kavod** (τίς) literally means 'weight' or 'heaviness,' metaphorically denoting glory, honor, or majesty. God's glory (Shekinah) filled the tabernacle (Exodus 40:34) and temple (1 Kings 8:11).

God — אַלהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Holy — קדושׁ (Qadosh)

Holy, set apart

The Hebrew **qadosh** (קַדוֹש) means holy or set apart—separated from common use for God's purposes. God is 'the Holy One of Israel,' utterly distinct from creation in moral perfection.

Lord — יָהוַה / אֵדֹנֵי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יְהוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אָדֹנִי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Love — אַהֶּבָה / חֵסֶד (Ahavah / Chesed)

Love / Loyal-love

Hebrew uses **ahavah** (אַהֶּבָּה) for love generally, but the covenant term **chesed** (תְּסֶד) describes God's steadfast, loyal love—faithful covenant commitment beyond mere emotion.

Redeem — גַּאַל (Gaal)

To redeem, act as kinsman-redeemer

The Hebrew **gaal** (נַּאַל) means to redeem or act as kinsman-redeemer (go'el)—buying back family property or relatives. It foreshadows Christ redeeming His people through His blood.

Sacrifice — זֶבַח (Zevach)

Sacrifice, offering

The Hebrew **zevach** (וְבַח) denotes a sacrifice or offering—an animal slaughtered for worship. Old Testament sacrifices foreshadowed Christ, 'the Lamb of God' (John 1:29).

Save — יַשַע (Yasha)

To save, deliver, rescue

The Hebrew **yasha** (יָשַׁע) means to save or deliver—rescue from danger or distress. This is the root of 'Jesus' (Yeshua), meaning 'YHWH saves.' God alone is Savior: 'I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour' (Isaiah 43:11).

Sin — חטאת (Chatta'ah)

Sin, missing the mark

The Hebrew **chatta'ah** (חַפָּאת) means sin—missing the mark of God's standard. It encompasses rebellion, transgression, and falling short of divine holiness.

Transgression — פַשַע (Pesha)

Transgression, rebellion

The Hebrew **pesha** (פֶּשַׁע) means transgression or rebellion—willful violation of God's law. It implies deliberate revolt against divine authority: 'he was wounded for our transgressions' (Isaiah 53:5).

Truth — אֵמֶת (Emet)

Truth, faithfulness

The Hebrew **emet** (אֶמֶת) means truth or faithfulness—reliability and conformity to reality. God is true (emet), utterly faithful to His word and character.

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