

Isaiah 43:14

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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.

Analysis

God identifies as 'your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel'—combining redemption and holiness. The promise: He will send to Babylon and bring down their fugitives, turning Chaldean rejoicing to crying. The Hebrew 'go'el' (redeemer) emphasizes God as kinsman-avenger who will vindicate His people.

Historical Context

This specifically prophesies Babylon's fall to Persia (539 BC). The proud Chaldeans who sang in their ships will lament as their empire collapses. God personally orchestrates their downfall.

Related Passages

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. How does God's role as Redeemer inform your understanding of His commitment to justice?
2. What oppressive powers in your life need God's redeeming intervention?

Interlinear Text

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H3541 Thus saith the LORD your redeemer the Holy One of Israel H4616

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For your sake I have sent to Babylon and have brought down all their nobles H3605

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and the Chaldeans is in the ships whose cry

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Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 23:13 (Parallel theme): Behold the land of the Chaldeans; this people was not, till the Assyrian founded it for them that dwell in the wilderness: they set up the towers thereof, they raised up the palaces thereof; and he brought it to ruin.

Isaiah 44:6 (Redemption): Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.

Jeremiah 51:24 (References Lord): And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, saith the LORD.