

Isaiah 43:22

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.

Analysis

The indictment shocks: 'But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.' Despite God's creating, redeeming, and sustaining, Israel failed to pray ('qara'—call upon) and grew weary ('yaga') of God. Neglect of prayer reveals heart coldness.

Historical Context

This exposes Israel's spiritual bankruptcy—despite extraordinary privileges and God's persistent mercies, they failed basic covenant obligations like prayer and worship. Ingratitude compounds their guilt.

Related Passages

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How does prayerlessness reveal weariness with God in your own heart?
2. What prevents you from calling upon the God who has done so much for you?

Interlinear Text

וְלֹא	אֶת־י	קָרָאתָ	וְעַל־בִּי	יָקֹב
H3808	H853	But thou hast not called	upon me	O Jacob
		H7121	H3290	H3588
וְגַם־עָתָה	בִּי	שְׁרָאֵל:		
but thou hast been weary	H0	of me	O Israel	
H3021		H3478		

Additional Cross-References

Micah 6:3 (Parallel theme): O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.

Malachi 3:14 (Parallel theme): Ye have said, It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?

Malachi 1:13 (Parallel theme): Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness is it! and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts; and ye brought that which was torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 10:25 (Parallel theme): Pour out thy fury upon the heathen that know thee not, and upon the families that call not on thy name: for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.