

Isaiah 43:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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.

Analysis

Those gathered are 'called by my name'—bearing God's identity and reputation. The threefold declaration—'I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him'—emphasizes God's purposeful work. The Hebrew 'bara,' 'yatsar,' and 'asah' (three different creation verbs) stress comprehensive divine action for His glory.

Historical Context

This establishes Israel's purpose: existing for God's glory. Their creation wasn't random or purposeless but intentionally designed to display God's character and works to the world.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does living for God's glory reorient your understanding of life's purpose?
2. What does it mean to bear God's name and represent His character?

Interlinear Text

בָּרָאָתִי וְלֹכְבֹּדִי כִּי בְּשָׁמְךָ פְּנֵיךְ אֶלְכָבֹד
Even every one that is called by my name him for my glory for I have created
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אֶתְּצָרָתִי אֶתְּעַשְׂתִּי:
I have formed him yea I have made
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Additional Cross-References

Ephesians 2:10 (Creation): For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Isaiah 43:21 (Parallel theme): This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.

Ephesians 1:12 (Glory): That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

Romans 9:23 (Glory): And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,

1 Peter 2:9 (Parallel theme): But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

John 15:8 (Glory): Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

Isaiah 48:11 (Glory): For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I do it: for how should my name be polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.

Isaiah 43:1 (Creation): 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.

Isaiah 56:5 (Parallel theme): Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

Psalms 100:3 (Creation): Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

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