

Isaiah 44:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers:

Analysis

God's power over nature appears: 'That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers.' This recalls the Exodus (drying the Red Sea) and anticipates the return from exile. The Hebrew 'tsullah' (deep) echoes the waters of chaos subdued at creation and judgment, showing God's absolute sovereignty over all obstacles.

Historical Context

The drying of waters recalls Moses at the Red Sea and Joshua at the Jordan. For exiles, this promised that no natural barrier could prevent their return when God decreed it.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. What 'deep waters' in your life need God's command to become dry?
2. How do past deliverances encourage faith for present obstacles?

Interlinear Text

אָזַבֵּשׁ: וְנַהֲרַתּוּ יְמִינְךָ בַּיַּם לְצֹלַת הַמִּזְרָחָךְ
That saith to the deep Be dry thy rivers and I will dry up
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Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 42:15 (Parallel theme): I will make waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs; and I will make the rivers islands, and I will dry up the pools.

Jeremiah 51:36 (Parallel theme): Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will plead thy cause, and take vengeance for thee; and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.

Jeremiah 50:38 (Parallel theme): A drought is upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it is the land of graven images, and they are mad upon their idols.

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