

Isaiah 45:21

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

Analysis

God challenges rivals to 'tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together.' He asks: 'who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time?' The answer: 'have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.' Prediction and salvation prove true deity.

Historical Context

Isaiah's prophecies about Cyrus, given 150 years before fulfillment, stand as evidence no other god can match. Prediction plus performance equals proof.

Related Passages

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does fulfilled prophecy demonstrate God's unique deity?
2. What does it mean that God is both 'just' and 'Saviour'?

Interlinear Text

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אֵל יְהוָה אֲלֹהֵינוּ מֵאֲלֹהִים הַיְהוָה אֲלֹהֵינוּ וְאָתָה
H589 it from that time have not I the LORD there is none H5750
H3068 H369

אֱלֹהִים
and there is no God
H430

מִבְלָעֵד
else beside
H1167

אֵל
God
H410

צָדִיק
me a just
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וּמֹשֶׁע
and a Saviour
H3467

אֵל
there is none
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זולמן

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Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 45:5 (References God): I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me; I girded thee, though thou hast not known me;

Isaiah 43:9 (Righteousness): 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.

Isaiah 43:11 (Salvation): I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

Isaiah 48:14 (References Lord): All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these things? The LORD hath loved him: he will do his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm shall be on the Chaldeans.

Isaiah 45:18 (References God): For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else.

Isaiah 45:14 (References God): Thus saith the LORD, The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, saying, Surely God is in thee; and there is none else, there is no God.

Isaiah 43:3 (Salvation): 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.

Isaiah 45:25 (Righteousness): In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

Zephaniah 3:17 (Salvation): The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

Isaiah 41:26 (Righteousness): Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and beforetime, that we may say, He is righteous? yea, there is none that sheweth, yea, there is none that declareth, yea, there is none that heareth your words.