

Isaiah 52:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Analysis

The image 'The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations' depicts God rolling up His sleeve for action, publicly displaying power before watching world. The result 'all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God' shows that Israel's redemption serves as testimony to all peoples. God's mighty acts aren't private but public demonstrations of His character and power.

Historical Context

Cyrus's decree allowing Jewish return was international news, displaying God's sovereignty over empires. Ultimately, Christ's resurrection and gospel spread to 'ends of the earth' fulfill this - salvation is publicly, globally demonstrated, not hidden.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. How should knowing that God's salvation is meant to be seen by 'all nations' affect your public witness?
2. What does God's 'bare arm' (exposed power) in your life testify about Him to watching unbelievers?

Interlinear Text

חָשַׁב	יְהוָה	אֶת	זֶרְעוֹ	קֹדֶשׁוֹ	לְעֵינַי	כָּל
hath made bare	The LORD	H853	arm	his holy	in the eyes	H3605
H2834	H3068		H2220	H6944	H5869	
הַגּוֹיִם	וְיִרְאוּ	כָּל	אַפְסֵי	אֶרֶץ	אֶת	
of all the nations	shall see	H3605	and all the ends	of the earth	H853	
H1471	H7200		H657	H776		
יְשׁוּעַת	אֱלֹהֵינוּ					
the salvation	of our God					
H3444	H430					

Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 51:9 (References Lord): Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath cut Rahab, and wounded the dragon?

Luke 3:6 (Salvation): And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Revelation 14:6 (Parallel theme): And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

Isaiah 49:6 (Salvation): And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

Revelation 15:4 (Holy): Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.

Acts 13:47 (Salvation): For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

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