

Isaiah 63

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God's Day of Vengeance

1 Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

2 Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat?

3 I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.

4 For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.

5 And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.

6 And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth.

Praise and Prayer

7 I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD, and the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his lovingkindnesses.

8 For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: so he was their Saviour.

9 In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old.

10 But they rebelled, and vexed his holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them.

11 Then he remembered the days of old, Moses, and his people, saying, Where is he that brought them up out of the sea with the shepherd of his flock? where is he that put his holy Spirit within him?

12 That led them by the right hand of Moses with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name?

13 That led them through the deep, as an horse in the wilderness, that they should not stumble?

14 As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest: so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name.

15 Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory: where is thy zeal and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels and of thy mercies toward me? are they restrained?

16 Doubtless thou art our father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: thou, O LORD, art our father, our redeemer; thy name is from everlasting.

17 O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.

18 The people of thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary.

19 We are thine: thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by thy name.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Heaven — שָׁמַיִם (Shamayim)

Heaven, sky

The Hebrew **shamayim** (שָׁמַיִם) means heaven or sky—God's dwelling place and the realm above earth. 'The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's' (Psalm 115:16), yet 'the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him' (1 Kings 8:27).

Holy — קָדוֹשׁ (Qadosh)

Holy, set apart

The Hebrew **qadosh** (קָדוֹשׁ) means holy or set apart—separated from common use for God's purposes. God is 'the Holy One of Israel,' utterly distinct from creation in moral perfection.

Lord — יְהֹוָה / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יְהֹוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Love — אַהֲבָה / חֶסֶד (Ahavah / Chesed)

Love / Loyal-love

Hebrew uses **ahavah** (אַהֲבָה) for love generally, but the covenant term **chesed** (חֶסֶד) describes God's steadfast, loyal love—faithful covenant commitment beyond mere emotion.

Redeem — גָּאֵל (Gaal)

To redeem, act as kinsman-redeemer

The Hebrew **gaal** (גָּאֵל) means to redeem or act as kinsman-redeemer (go'el)—buying back family property or relatives. It foreshadows Christ redeeming His people through His blood.

Righteous — צַדִּיק (Tzaddik)

Righteous one

The Hebrew **tzaddik** (צַדִּיק) describes one who is righteous, just, or lawful—conforming to God's standard. From the root **tzedek** (צִדְקָה), meaning righteousness or justice.

Salvation — יְשֻׁעָה (Yeshuah)

Salvation, deliverance

The Hebrew **yeshuah** (יְשֻׁעָה) means salvation or deliverance—rescue from danger or enemies. This is the root of 'Jesus' (Yeshua), meaning 'YHWH saves.'

Save — יְשַׁעֵּי (Yasha)

To save, deliver, rescue

The Hebrew **yasha** (יְשַׁעֵּי) means to save or deliver—rescue from danger or distress. This is the root of 'Jesus' (Yeshua), meaning 'YHWH saves.' God alone is Savior: 'I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour' (Isaiah 43:11).

Spirit — רוח (Ruach)

Spirit, wind, breath

The Hebrew **ruach** (רוּחַ) means spirit, wind, or breath—invisible but powerful. It describes both the Holy Spirit and the human spirit. God's Spirit gives life and empowers His people.

Wrath — גָּזָע (Aph)

Wrath, anger

The Hebrew **aph** (אָפָּה) literally means 'nose' or 'nostrils,' idiomatically expressing wrath or anger—God's righteous indignation against sin. Yet God is 'slow to anger' (Exodus 34:6) and 'abundant in mercy.'

CROSS REFERENCES

Isaiah 63:1

Parallel theme: Numbers 23:19; Psalms 137:7; Matthew 21:10; Revelation 19:13. **Related:** Song of Solomon 8:5

Isaiah 63:2 **Parallel theme:** Revelation 19:13

Isaiah 63:3

Parallel theme: Isaiah 22:5; 63:6; Lamentations 1:15; Micah 7:10; Zechariah 10:5; Malachi 4:3

Isaiah 63:4 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 34:8; 35:4; 61:2; Jeremiah 51:6; Luke 21:22; Revelation 11:13; 18:20

Isaiah 63:5 **Salvation:** Isaiah 52:10; Psalms 44:3; Hosea 1:7. **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 40:10; 41:28; 50:2; 63:3; Psalms 98:1; John 16:32; 1 Corinthians 1:24

Isaiah 63:6 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 49:26; Revelation 14:10; 16:19

Isaiah 63:7 **References Lord:** Psalms 86:15. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 51:1; Ephesians 2:4. **Good:** 1 Kings 8:66; Psalms 86:5; Romans 2:4

Isaiah 63:8 **Parallel theme:** Genesis 17:7; Exodus 6:7. **Salvation:** Isaiah 12:2

Isaiah 63:9 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 14:19; 19:4; 33:14; Deuteronomy 1:31; Judges 10:16; Psalms 78:38; Malachi 3:1; Acts 12:11; Hebrews 4:15. **Love:** Revelation 1:5

Isaiah 63:10 **Holy:** Psalms 51:11; Acts 7:51; Ephesians 4:30. **Parallel theme:** Exodus 15:24; 23:21; Psalms 78:40; 78:56; Jeremiah 21:5; Ezekiel 20:8. **Spirit:** Psalms 78:8

Isaiah 63:11 **Spirit:** Numbers 11:17; 11:25; 11:29; Haggai 2:5. **References Moses:** Psalms 77:20. **Parallel theme:** Exodus 14:22

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Parallel theme: Exodus 15:16; Joshua 3:16; Nehemiah 9:11; Psalms 78:13; 80:1. **Eternal Life:** Isaiah 55:13

Isaiah 63:13 **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 31:9

Isaiah 63:14 **Glory:** Isaiah 63:12. **References Lord:** Joshua 23:1

Isaiah 63:15 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 33:14; 80:14; 123:1; Jeremiah 31:20; Hosea 11:8; Philippians 2:1; 1 John 3:17. **Holy:** Deuteronomy 26:15

Isaiah 63:16 **References Lord:** Isaiah 64:8; Deuteronomy 32:6; Malachi 1:6. **Redemption:** Isaiah 41:14; 43:14; 44:6. **Parallel theme:** Job 14:21; Jeremiah 3:19; Malachi 2:10. **References Israel:** Jeremiah 31:9

Isaiah 63:17 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 6:10; John 12:40. **References Lord:** Isaiah 29:13; Numbers 10:36; Joshua 11:20; Psalms 90:13. **Creation:** Deuteronomy 2:30

Isaiah 63:19 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 65:1; Psalms 79:6; 135:4; Amos 9:12; Acts 14:16; 15:17; Romans 9:4; Ephesians 2:12

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