

# Isaiah 63:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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.

## Analysis

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A dramatic vision opens: 'Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah?' The returning warrior's clothes are stained. He is 'glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength.' The response: 'I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.' The Hebrew 'rav' (great) and 'yasha' (save) combine power with redemption.

## Historical Context

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Edom (descendant of Esau) represents persistent hostility toward Israel. Bozrah was Edom's capital. This judgment on Edom pictures God's judgment on all His enemies.

## Related Passages

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**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## Study Questions

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1. How does the divine warrior imagery balance with God's mercy?
2. What does 'mighty to save' mean when connected to judgment?

## Interlinear Text

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בְּגִדִּים שָׁמָן וְעַזְמָן מִאָדָם אֲבָדָה  
from Edom with dyed garments

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I that speak of his strength

## Additional Cross-References

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**Revelation 19:13** (Parallel theme): And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

**Psalms 137:7** (Parallel theme): Remember, O LORD, the children of Edom in the day of Jerusalem; who said, Rase it, rase it, even to the foundation thereof.

**Numbers 23:19** (Parallel theme): God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

**Matthew 21:10** (Parallel theme): And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this?

**Song of Solomon 8:5:** Who is this that cometh up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth that bare thee.

