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welcome back brethren to Bible study I was about to say Wednesday and I appreciate your flexibility I'm sorry that we were not able to have the Bible study on Wednesday we're tentmakers and just somehow could not make the evening work apologize for the inconvenience but glad that we can be together and thank you for making the time on Thursday evening love to cover today in Isaiah chapter 41 that's open with the word of prayer ask God's blessing our Heavenly Father we just thank you so much Lord for your word we thank you for you we thank you for your character we thank you God for your truthfulness we thank you for your faithfulness and we thank you God that we can have faith and confidence that when you speak you mean what you say and you will do what you say and so father we thank you and pray that you'll give us deeper conviction and and deeper faith as we study your word we thank you for your Living Word we ask for your blessing on our study now we ask this in Jesus most holy name so a lot to cover brethren I want to get right into the study so let's begin in Isaiah chapter 41 actually I don't want to start right with Isaiah 41 I want to give a little bit of backstory first though as we begin I want us to begin in the Torah so let's begin with Deuteronomy just so that we have the backstory because Isaiah as we mentioned before as AI is like a mini Bible so it covers the old in the New Testament and so in order for us to ensure that we have the storyline let's pick it up from

Deuteronomy and use that understanding of the story lines from the Torah to guide our understanding as we delve into Isaiah chapter 41 so here in Deuteronomy chapter 11 he says here verse 8 therefore shall you keep all the commandments which I command you this day so God is speaking to his people Israel and he's telling them that they must keep his Commandments that you may be strong so this is the agreement that God has with his people keep my Commandments so that you can be strong and notice this and go in possess the land if if we lose the plot here then we're gonna read the Bible and just make a nice sounding phrases and isn't it nice to know the Lord but if we stay with the story then when we're in isaiah guys.i is gonna cover the whole span of the Bible we'll be able to understand what it is he's saying to us so the agreement here is keep the commandments that you may be strong and go in and possess the land where you go to possess it and you may prolong your days in the land and I'm highlighting the land because I want you to get the sense that God is serious that this covenant is not just God in His people it's God and His people dwelling in a specific plot of real estate that he has promised them this land and he wants them to dwell in this land of all the places of the earth there is a place there's real estate that God has his eye on and so he wants them to prolong his will his his his wish for them his desire for them is that they prolong their days in the land but they have to do their part which the Lord swore unto your father so it's not just any land it's not just the earth in general we have to know what is this plot of land

that God's swore to the father's because that's the land that he wants his people to dwell in to give unto them and to their seed a land which flows with milk and honey so this is the key now you've you've got to this is this is what God wants to do he he's not the thing he wants to do it he has sworn that he will do this for the land where you go to possess in to possess it is not as the land of Egypt so he's bringing them out of Egypt and he's gonna take me and he's giving them in this land and he's telling them look the land that I'm giving to you it's very different from the land that you're coming from from where you came out where you sold your seed and watered it with your foot as a garden of herbs so you know these ancient cities were built by rivers and Egypt became this power source of powerful civil Asia civilization because it was right on the Nile River and so irrigation was critical they developed very sophisticated ways of getting though the water from the river into the land and so obviously there's some walking involved here as they work with the irrigation system and got a saying you know what the land that I'm taking you into it's not like that it's very very different but the land where you go to possess it is the land of Hill that says Hills the actual word here harem in Hebrew is mountains and that's important it's a land of mountains and valleys and it drinks water of the rain of heaven so you don't need to have these sophisticated irrigation systems to bring water from the Nile River God is saying he sends the rain you don't have to walk with your feet to try to irrigate the land it's just God will God will look after

this land for you it drinks water from the rain of heaven it's a Len now notice this is a very important verse verse 12 this plot of land it is a land which the Lord your God cares for so God himself personally is is concerned with this plot of land and he personally the god of the universe personally looks after this land because this is the land that he swore to give to the father's and and their seed a land which the Lord your God Himself personally cares for notices the eyes of the Lord your God are always upon it this land matters to God he cares for it personally and his eyes are always on it which is why Satan is doing so much to destroy this land because he knows what God's will is the God laid the eyes of the Lord your God are always upon it from the beginning of the year even to the end of the year so God is just focused on he loves this piece of

Deuteronomy 19 when the Lord your God has cut off the nation's so there is these the the other nations we call them the Gentiles it just means other nations but God is taking the land from them

and he's giving it to his people Israel so it doesn't matter what claim people want to make about this land God is saying I it's my left and these people were wicked and evil and I'm taking it from them and I'm giving it to Israel God is personally giving it to Israel this land and then in Deuteronomy 28 now continuing the story and it shall come to pass that as the Lord rejoiced over you to do you good so gods don't say look there are terms and conditions with this land you can't just move into the land and think that you're there forever

and you you have no responsibility that there's there's no requirement no there are no conditions to you being in the land the land is holy and for you to be in the land you have to be holy the same way God ejected Adam and Eve from the land because they were unholy is the same way it's the same agreement that he has here with Israel you will be in the land I'm a holy God you must be a holy people upon the holy land and if you're not going to be holy then you're gonna be kicked out of the land it says and it shall come to pass so if you disobey that as the Lord rejoiced over you to do you good and to multiply you so the Lord in the same way that he rejoiced over you to do you good in the same way the Lord will rejoice over you to destroy you here are the terms and conditions if you disobey then God is gonna take pleasure in getting rid of you and to bring you to nothing and you shall be plucked from off the land this land God personally cares for this piece of real estate and if you are gonna corrupt yourself he will make sure that you're plucked from the land plucked up from off the land very very important where you go to possess it so I'm giving you this land the same way you said to Adam and Eve you don't have to you don't have to earn a living here I'm giving you this land I'm giving you all the trees but in the day you eat of the tree that I forbid then you will surely die well here he's saying I'm giving this land here but if you don't obey my Commandments if you corrupt yourself Daniel be plucked from off the land is your land I want to to you but there are conditions so let's keep that in mind this is the story flow now we'll just pick up a couple of

verses in Deuteronomy 30 because Isaiah is going to be calling back to Deuteronomy no it says here this is Moses writing and it shall come to pass Moses is dying the people of Israel are going into the land and here's sort of Moses final words to them it shall come to pass when all these things are come upon you so he's given them all the blessings that will come upon them if they obey and then he's giving them all the curses that will come upon them if they disobey and then he says he ends this section by saying it shall come to pass when all these things have come upon you the blessing and the curse Moses could already see who is a prophet he could already see they're gonna go in the land they will enjoy the blessings of the land but they're going to corrupt in themselves and so all the curses that are in the book are going to come upon them the blessing and the curse which I have set before you not not some other curse not some made-up curse specific curses that are outlined in the agreement the terms and conditions of the agreement that he has with Israel and you shall call them to mind among all the you're going to be plucked off the land and you're going to be taken captive among all the nations and then you're gonna think and you're gonna remember so you'll call them to mind among all the nations where the Lord your God has driven you so this is these nations are gonna rise up they're going to conquer you they're gonna take you captive but actually it's God Moses is saying it's God who is driving you out of the land and then notice what Moses writes that after God drives you out of the land and you shall return unto the Lord your God

so Moses could see they're going to be blessed they're going to corrupt themselves they're going to be cursed and then he could also see they are going to return laughs even though they are corrupt Moses could see they are going to return to the land so there's some mechanism that Moses understood that the people are going to be made righteous so that they can dwell in the land the people will be made holy so that they can dwell in the land and you shall return unto the Lord your God and you shall obey his voice according to all that I command you this day so all of those Commandments that we see in Exodus 20 that are repeated here in Deuteronomy they are gonna come in the land and they are going to keep those Commandments you and your children with all your heart and with all your soul so you're gonna go in you're going to obey you're going to bless be blessed you're then gonna corrupt yourself you're going to be cursed you're gonna learn a very very painful lesson God is gonna implement a mechanism for you to come back to the land and when you come back this time you're going you and your children you're gonna serve God with your whole heart and with you all of your soul you're gonna really love him this time that then the Lord your God will turn your captivity and have compassion on you so the captivity is going to be reversed these people are going to be taken captive all over the world and then that captivity is going to be reversed and God is gonna have compassion on you and he will return and gather you from all the nations so the most is the same there's gonna be this conflict between you and the you

and all the nations that's what that's what the world is coming to a conflict between the seed of Israel and the non seed of Israel the nations and even though they've just had this Exodus coming out of Egypt so that they can go into the Promised Land Moses is foretelling that they're going to be scattered all over the earth and there's going to be another Exodus there's going to be another gathering and bringing them into the land again but this one is gonna be far greater than the one from Egypt in fact they won't even talk about the one from Egypt the Prophet said he will return and he will gather you from all the nations all these nations are against Israel where the Lord your God has scattered you so notices they think they're doing it but it's God who's actually orchestrating it if any of yours be driven out unto the utmost parts of heaven from their will the Lord your God gather you so this this is the DNA thing God God knows who carries the DNA of Israel and it doesn't matter how far the the none Israelites take the Israelites it doesn't matter how far which corner of the earth they take them to God knows who they are and God is gonna be faithful to his word and he's gonna search his angels we'll go through the earth and they will gather all of those who have the DNA of Israel and bring them back to the land and they will have learned a very painful lesson so the tribe of Israel are the tribes of Israel are going to be in the land if any of yours that the tribe of Israel the tribes of Israel be driven out to the utmost parts of heaven from their will the Lord your God gather you and from their will he fetch you this is

what the Christ means in Matthew 24 when he says that the elect will be gathered from the four corners of the earth here it is nothing new and the Lord your God will bring you into the land this is very important to God and if we forget this then we're not on the same agenda with God we don't have God's view and if we neglect this or think that God has neglected it we're actually calling God a liar we're questioning the faithfulness of God God is faithful if there's one thing that defines God it's love and then if you know it's love and faithfulness it's it's faithful love that's what defines God and the Lord your God will bring you into the land which your father's possessed you corrupt people are going to be punished severely you're going to be brought to a deep deep profound repentance and then you're gonna be put in the land where God wanted you to be in the first place it's too bad that you have to go through this painful lesson but so be it and you shall possess the land you the tribes of Israel shall possess the land and he will do you good and multiply you above your father's so this Exodus is going to be a great event is the greatest much far greater than the previous one and the blessing that these people will enjoy will be even greater than the blessing of their fathers and the Lord your God will circumcise your heart so this is a spiritual thing now that these people will be will have the Holy Spirit and their the God will circumcise their heart and the heart of their seed to love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul that you may live it's God's intent to bless these people regardless of their corruption God is going to save

them he's going to punish them then he's gonna save them and the Lord your God will put all these curses upon your enemies so Israel will have enemies basically Christ tells us you'll be hated by all nations so all the will agree to hate Israel the people that the tribes of Israel is specifically Judah and all the curses that Judah has to end and Israel have to suffer eventually when God finally acts to redeem these people he's going to put these curses on the enemies the very people that were attacking God's people are then gonna suffer the consequences for touching God's people and on them that hate you which persecuted you and this is very important there is going to be from Moses could see it now a perpetual hatred the people of God the tribes of Israel will be perpetually hated that this hatred is not just they're gonna go into the land now and they're gonna be hated but Moses is looking well into the future and he's saying this hatred will never go away that this hatred is perpetual so right up until the end when quoting when God finally acts in the end to redeem his people this hatred of the of the of the surround Nations it's there and it's nonstop and it's gonna lead to persecution but you shall return and obey the voice of the Lord and do all his commandments which I command you this day so this is what Moses is seeing there's a time coming despite all of the rebellion there's a time coming in the future when Israel will be put in the land and they will be obedient with their whole heart now that's all right so that's Old Testament that's Torah but even in the Torah with all the curses there's still good news

the curses are never pronounced in isolation always always always when the prophets come and say look this is what's gonna happen to you they also see this time that Moses saw that there's there is a future even though you're going to be punished severely there's a future even even Ezekiel could see the time when even Israel who have been divorced and scattered that even they will be resurrected and put back with Judah

so the peep card is faithful to his people but they're not faithful to him and so God has a process to clean them up and to get that rebellious rebellious heart and stiff neck to sort it out so that's what Isaiah chapters 1 to 39 are all about Isaiah this this chief of the prophets this head of the prophets comes along and the northern tribes of Israel are very very prosperous they're very very powerful they're doing very well they're enjoying great blessings and as I accountant says get ready you are going to be destroyed you're going to be scattered according to the Covenant so the Assyrians come in and they wipe out the northern tribes then he turns to Judah the southern tribes and he says and this is during the reign of Assyria so Judah is terrified of it the Assyrians coming in and and my Isaiah basically says don't worry about the Assyrians there's this small little tribe of people called the Babylonians and in basically 150 years from now they're going to be the next superpower and they're going to crush the Assyrians and they're the ones that are going to destroy it and so between the curses upon Israel and the curses upon Judah this is what Isaiah 1 239 is basically about and we'll go through it in detail

because there's other nations that are called out as well but in in a nutshell one 239 all everything that we just read in Deuteronomy Assyria is going to carry it out on missions everything the curses that we read in Deuteronomy and then I think we didn't read them all but those curses specifically to do with their relationship with the land Assyria is gonna carry it out on the northern tribes and then this nascent power called Babylon is going to be is going to become the next superpower and it's gonna carry out the curses on judah the southern tribes that's 1 to 39 and so 39 here we'll just read behold the days come that all that is in your house he's speaking to King Hezekiah and that which your fathers have laid up in stall store until this day shall be carried to Babylon nothing shall be left said the Lord and of your sons that shall issue from you which you shall be get shall they take away and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon so here's this wonderful nation of Israel and the nation of Judah that Isaiah saying the curses of Deuteronomy are coming upon you so that's how we end Isaiah 39 to 40 after 1 to 1 to 39 and then we come to chapter 40 and suddenly it switches from this focus on judgment and carrying out the curses outlined in the Old Testament to the New Testament and we read that last week so suddenly that it shifts and is they comfort my people comfort my people says your God because of what Moses foresaw that these people are not written off they are not going to be destroyed and lost that God has a commitment to these he has a covenant commitment to these people and he is going to make them successful despite their failure despite the tragic

consequences that they have to suffer God is committed to them and so in our eyes I he's saying you know what comfort these people that

they're going to be destroyed by by Babylon comfort them speak comfortably to Jerusalem because God has chosen this land and crying to her that her warfare is accomplished in her iniquity is party so it shows us here exactly what Moses saw because she has received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins and then in Isaiah 40 we read this last week [Music]

this perpetual hatred that that Moses foresaw between the the nation's and the people of God behold the new so as much as God so Moses makes it clear that when these nations come to destroy God's people it's actually God orchestrating it that God is the one who's making sure that he fulfills his word he says he will rejoice over you to do this it means that I'm gonna keep my word I I will for good or for for bad I'm gonna keep exactly what the terms and conditions of the Covenant say so I'm gonna use these nations and the nations are gonna comment at Israel and and come at Judah very very powerfully it's like these people are unstoppable but now God is telling his people or telling my Isaiah to comfort his people with this message that the nations are nothing they're like a drop of a bucket so you think of just all you think of all the water in the world and there's just this little drop in a bucket that's what the nations are to God so God is now exalting so showing his exaltation but he's not bragging to say you will bow down and worship me and I'm so great and if you don't bow down and worship me I'll burn you in hell forever

he's not psychotic he's he's saying to through Isaiah you need to understand who you're in covenant with these nations as powerful as they are you are in covenant with the Creator and these powerful nations are nothing they're counted as the small dust of a balance of the balance behold he takes up the Isles or the coastlands the fart the distant countries as a very little thing so to whom then will you liken me or shall I be equal says the Holy One this is to encourage the people that they're to understand that they they are in agreed they're in covenant agreement with the Holy One of Israel he's not just boasting to say I'm so great I'm so wonderful I'm the greatest he's saying do you understand who you're in covenant with why do you say Oh Jacob and speak o Israel my way is hid from the Lord so they are discouraged they're being slaughtered by their enemies and God is saying to remember who you're in covenant with why are you saying my way is hid from the Lord and my judgment is passed over from my God have you not known haven't you heard that the everlasting God the Lord the creator of the ends of the earth he doesn't faint and he's never weary so everything that's happening it's not because God is tired or weary it because he's orchestrated it but he hasn't written you off there is no searching of his understanding so there's a there's a depth of wisdom behind all of these activities on the earth that God is working out he gives power to the faint and to them that have no might he increases strength so this is one of those verses again that it's very encouraging and we'll just sort of quoted out of context but the context of

this verse is to the people of Judah that when you are being slaughtered don't give up realize that you and you're getting a spanking but God is still with you and God is going to give power to you even though you are weak and you have no power God is gonna give you power and you're going to be able to overcome your enemies that's the context of this verse even the youth shall faint and be weary and the young men shall utterly fall but they that wait upon the Lord again another verse that me just quote willy-nilly but in the context it has very specific meaning they the people of Judah that look to God that are looking into his word looking into his promises they they hear the gospel preached to them and they believe it and they're looking and they're waiting for the Lord expectantly they're the ones not not the rebellious ones but these ones that wait upon the Lord they shall ring

their strength this is the prophecy that as weak as they are and they have nothing in this future period and they're beaten and Isaiah is its duel he's speaking of the immediate future with the Babylonians coming in to destroy them and then he's going to raise up the Persians to help them and they're going to be able to renew their strength but that's actually just laying down the pattern but Isaiah is actually speaking of the end time and he's speaking of the time when Christ actually returns so we have to read these prophecies of Isaiah with this sort of dual lens there's the near fulfillment but he's also speaking of the ultimate or the far fulfillment they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength they shall mount up with

wings as Eagles they shall run and not be weary this is the word of God it means there's going to be a supernatural intervention and they're going to be able to fight their enemies with power and they shall walk and not faint so there's the same way when he led them out of the first Exodus that their shoes managed to not not wear out after 40 years so God was gonna supernaturally intervene here now we come into Isaiah 41 verse 1 keep silence before me so God now is is speaking so he's encouraged his people and now he's speaking to the nation's and he's make the same to them shut up I've heard enough keep silence before me Oh

Islands or or that actually means coastlines these are the distant nations that have come and they've invaded Israel or the people of Judah and taken them captive and now God saying enough and this is like a courtroom drama he's saying keep silence before me and let the people renew their strength so he just said he's gonna give them their strength and now he's saying to thee the nations let the people renew their strength

let them come near and let them speak let us come near together to judgment so God is now calling the nations to judgment and this is why it's so important that the gospel is preached to all nations because it's going to be preached to them as a witness because this is a courtroom drama so so that's why the gospel must be preached to all nations because of this courtroom drama he says keep silent before me Oh Oh coastlands and let the people renew their strength I'm gonna I'm gonna give them strength you stop interfering with them let the people come near let them

come back to Jerusalem and let them speak let us you nations you powerful nations and Yahweh let us come near together to judgment and this is you know Psalms he says the same thing in psalm 46 be still and know that I am God so God is quiet he hides himself but he's got so be still and know that I am God I will be exalted among the heathen so the heathen are gonna exalt themselves and they're gonna exalt their false gods but God is him be still wait upon me because I will be exalted among the heathen I will be exalted in the earth these are the words of vahuwah verse 2 of Isaiah 41 who raised up the righteous man from the east this is this is what God has done he's raised up the righteous man from the east called him to his foot gave the nation's before him and made him rule over kings so God is actually speaking here of King Cyrus and it's not that King Cyrus is righteous it's that God has raised him up in righteousness from the east so God has a plan and he said this is Isaiah preaching 150 years before the Babylonians rise up and become a world power and then so Assyria is though is the superpower why is is the same Isaiah saying don't worry about Assyria it's gonna be the Babylonians that are going to be that'll be going to be the superpower that are going to take you captive and destroy you and then don't worry about the Babylonians because there's another nation called Persia they're gonna be the superpower and they're gonna crush crush the Babylonians and they're going to allow you to go back to Jerusalem so he's actually and later on you'll actually call Cyrus by name and when Cyrus comes on the scene he's gonna be shown in the

scriptures that this has all of this has been predicted of him he gave them as the dust to his sword and as the as driven stubble to his bow so God is able to orchestrate who who has what power and and which nation's become superpowers he pursued them and passed safely even by the way that he had not gone with his feet so and this is basically saying that Cyrus is going to pursue them and just nobody's gonna be able to stop him gonna be able to pass safely and it says even by the way which he had not gone with his feet it's like he can go anywhere he wants even if he hadn't tested the way and made sure that it was a safe passage you'll be able to do what he wants so this is to do with King Cyrus and a lot of people today are actually saying that they believe that that Donald Trump is like a Cyrus and the reason they're saying that is because of the favor that he is showing to the Jews that there's a it's a time of an increasing anti-semitism and yet this man has been made the most powerful man in the world and of all the presidents before him and there were many many before him that kept saying that they will move the US Embassy to Jerusalem and they all lied they all said they would do it but they didn't do it and then Donald Trump came along and said he's gonna do it and he did it

and so he's somehow giving a bit of space to the to the Jews so that they can have some time and hopefully to come to repentance and in the same thing with the Christians he's showing a favorable I shall I say so in favor to Christians where the previous administration Christians were being slaughtered they were being tortured and we were the u.s.

was turning a blind eye whereas now he's making the effort to look after these Christians are very very powerful here where he accepts prayer from this pastor who was persecuted and jailed in Turkey and now free and has it on his mind to pray so all of this leads some people to be saying

be saying he's like Osiris and regardless I think it's important for us as Christians to be very very careful I hear some brethren the way they talk about this u.s. president it's horrible calling him crazy call him wit kid just just saying all kinds of horrible things about him that is not the Christian way I think we need to read the book of Jude and see how Christians ought to speak even if it's true that's that Donald Trump is Satan incarnate which some people believe read the book of Jude and and see how Gabriel spoke spoke to Satan so we ought to be very very careful and very respectful about how we talk about this man who is the most powerful man on the planet who has turned a favorable eye to Jerusalem the land that God loves that his eye is on it all the time and is also showing a favorable eye and allowing the name of Christ to be named in the White House so I think we need to be very very careful and respectful about that the other thing that he's doing as well which is very interesting is he is redefining what it means to be a Jew so that ethnic Jews can be protected from anti-semitism as well so in any case it just shows us here that God has the ability to raise up secular leaders and to use them for his righteous purposes so whenever people come into power we have the u.s. elected by midterm elections coming up very shortly again

most powerful nation on the planet God is involved and we should not be fighting Americans should not be fighting each other we go over politics we should just pray that God's will be done one way or the other because America matters in terms of the Middle East what happens in the Middle East and just how the world unfolds and God is God is able to orchestrate secular powers as he did here with Israel so here this is speaking of Cyrus who has wrought who has done this calling the generations and noticed this language here that God wants to emphasize that he has been calling these generations from the beacon that's that's God's message here that that he has been doing this from the beginning why does that matter because that's what's in the Torah so God everything that that Moses wrote about from the beginning so Moses wrote the Torah everything that God has been doing is based on that who has done this calling generations from the beginning I the Lord it's the Lord that's done this the first and with the last I'm he so God wants us to know who he is this is how he identifies himself and this is why it's so important that we don't allegorize everything that we accept that God the God God is saying look the way that you know who I am and the way that you prove Who I am to the nation's is this go back to the Torah and whatever is written in the Torah whatever I said I'm gonna do in the Torah go to revelation and you'll see me doing it there I'm the first and I'm the last because I'm the first and I'm the last everything that I say is gonna happen that's what's gonna happen and that's what we see in Revelation

when we go to from the Torah to revelation

I'm Alpha and Omega the beginning and the ending I think it's important that God wants us to know here in Isaiah he wants his people to know that he's the first and the last

I'm he under one I'm the one who does this I called it from the Torah I'm Alpha and Omega the beginning in the end in what one eight one eleven I'm Alpha and Omega the first and the last in 117 fear not I am the first and the last in Revelation 21 verse 6 it's done

I'm Alpha and Omega the beginning and the end nobody else I'm the one so all these false gods God is challenging them by saying go to the beginning open up the Torah and look for the prophecies in the Torah and I'm the only one because I'm God that can do exactly what I say I can even call a ruler by name and say 150 160 years from now a man called Cyrus is going to be a savior of sorts for my people and that side that whole role that Cyrus Pitts plays is a prefiguring of the Messiah so cyrus is like a messiah but then the ultimate fulfillment will be Christ but God calls it out by name because he's the first in the last and this is the God we serve and this is why we must be very specific very particular about God's Word because we could prove that our God is God because he's the first in the last and we can open up the torrent say see that's what God is doing and we don't have to do it God does it he says here revelation 22:13 again I'm Alpha and Omega the beginning and the end the first and the last when you hear that so many times do you get the impression that it might be important to God that

his people understand that he's the first in the last that everything that's happening in the middle is happening exactly as God is orchestrating it why because he named it from the beginning I'm the first he announced it from the beginning and he's the last he makes sure that it happens exactly as he said it would happen because he's gone back to Isaiah 41 the Isle sword again the coastlands saw this so this is Cyrus Persia is now rising up so Isaiah's like a news reporter it's like it's happening in the future but Isaiah is reporting it as if it's happening now breaking news that when Persia rises up the coastlines see this these other powerful nations see it and they tremble the ends of the earth were afraid they drew near and Cain they helped everyone his neighbor and everyone his brother be of good courage so now they're trying to encourage one another because of this this powerful nation this new superpower is rising up and so they helped everyone his neighbor and everyone said to his brother be of good work we can do this we were okay we can do this so the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith and he that smooths with the hammer him that smoke the anvil saying it is ready for the soldering and he fastened it with nails that it should not be moved so this kind of sounds like preparation for the battle and their preview of maybe when you saw the hurricane coming in and you see all the preparation for the hurricane in the same way that the hurricane in the United States and and Caribbean in the same way here this saw whirlwind of a superpower is coming on the scene and so they're all coordinated with each other to try to withstand this power but God is the one that raises up

kings and God is the one that takes Kings down so it doesn't matter what they do but you is so that's what the nations are doing and they're terrified as Persia rises up but God is now saying but you Israel you're my servant Jacob whom I have chosen the seed of Abraham my friend and this this phrase my servant is important because it was moving to deeper into Isaiah we're gonna move into the servant songs and so here the servant is speaking of the people of Israel but later it's going to be speaking of a specific human being who's going to come as a suffering servant and we have to read this carefully because the people of God the Jews deny Christ by saying that the suffering servant is it's all the Jews all the Jews together are the suffering servant but when we read it carefully that's impossible so but here the servant is Israel Jacob whom I have chosen and again we have to know that this is God's language this this and this is why people just hate the people of God because God has chosen them of all the people of the earth amos says you only have I known the family of Israel so God God has chosen these people to be his servant and to lead the rest of the world to him and he's not going to repent of this this is his decision

Abraham was his friend and these are the descendants of Abraham and God is committed to them and so that's why David says that the nation whose God is the Lord they're blessed and the people whom he has chosen for his own inheritance and so here Jacob again is the

so too bad everybody else just has to accept that God has chosen a people for his peculiar treasure it's a very

peculiar treasure it's an it's a peculiar people a nation of kings and priests he says you whom I have taken from the ends of the earth and called you from the chief men thereof and said unto you you are my servant I have chosen you and not cast you away so again this replacement theology is very dangerous because we when we say all God is done with the people of his people and now it's all Christians everywhere they're the people of God that's what the Greek philosophers brought through Philo to allegorize everything when we do that we are calling God a liar God himself has said that he has chosen these people they are his servants he's chosen them and noticed this I have not cast you away and we saw that in Deuteronomy Moses saw that he said you're gonna have the blessing then the curse is gonna come upon you you're gonna be scattered all over the earth but then God is going to bring you back you're gonna you're gonna repent he's gonna put his spirit in you you're gonna love him with your whole heart and he has not cast you away and this is why Christ is saying don't be deceived in Matthew 24 don't go into the desert thinking I'm there I'm not coming to desert people I'm coming to my people in fact when I come I'm going to gather my people from the ends of the earth because I have not cast them away and here we go Matthew 24 jesus answered and said unto them take heed that no man deceive you the deception of the devil has to do with deceiving people about who God has chosen so that these nations rise up and destroy because they're deceived they destroy the people whom God has chosen and God is saying don't worry comfort my people I have not cast

them away preach good news to my people I'm going to gather them so he says so regarding his coming in the end of the war

he says you have to read Matthew 23 and all the curses upon Jerusalem and how he wants to gather them but he ends the chapter by saying you will be begging for me to return so they will come to repentance and they will sink blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord and we see that in Revelation 1 I believe is verse 7 and so he says jesus answered and said unto them beware that nobody deceives you because the nations are going to be deceived to destroy Jerusalem but don't you be deceived and don't think that I've cast my people away

I have not cast them away so don't be deceived so he says here about you 24 verse 22 except to those days these days ahead of us should be shortened there would be no flesh saved and he's speaking specifically of the promised land

and the people of God in that land and how all nations are going to surround them to destroy them and if those days were not shortened they would be successful just just as in the Tower of Babel with Nimrod that God stopped it otherwise he would have been successful in wiping out God's people and now it comes back to full fruition to fulfillment and they want to destroy God's people but notice this but for the elects sake those days shall be shortened and who are the elect the elect are Israel sorry the elect are the people that God has elected the people the people he says Israel you're my servant whom I have chosen and Moses tells us that they're going to be

destroyed they're going to be scattered and then they're going to be gathered so it's because of their sake that God is gonna shorten these days now how do we know that they are the elect well we'll see that in a bit

so he says here fulfilling the Torah what Moses wrote he shall send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds from one end of heaven to the other exactly what Moses wrote as he spoke to the people and said you I'm dying

you're going into the promised land you're gonna be blessed then you're going to

corrupt yourself then you're gonna be cursed and scattered and then God is gonna gather you from one end of the earth even though no matter how far driven you are God will gather you from that place and bring you back into the land so you will gather together his elect from one end of the heaven to the others now here we see Isaiah's telling us and we'll get to this one get to chapter 45 for a Jacob my servants sake says God and Israel might elect and Israel doesn't mean the Land of Israel today that's they they've named that land Israel but Israel is are the trees Jacob all the tribes of Israel and we can look around and see who are the judeo-christian nations in the world today clearly they have the heritage of Israel and then you have other nations that have all kinds of pagan practices that have no heritage in Israel so there's Judah and there's Israel and God says that all twelve tribes are his elect and he's going to put them back in the land for Jacob my servants sake in Israel my lads

I have even called you by name I have surnamed you so the people of God have Israel they're the people that prevailed with God that the people of God though you have not known it so Christ goes on to say that all of this is the beginning of Sorrows there's a perpetual hatred then at that time shall they deliver you up to be afflicted and shall kill you and you shall be hated of all the the very thing that Moses wrote there's going to be this perpetual hatred this this ongoing conflict between the people whom God has chosen and all the other nations that God has not chosen there's going to be envy and jealousy and rage and this is what mode this is what Christ is saying exactly what Moses wrote because God is the first and the last exactly what he said in the beginning exactly what from the beginning what he said it's gonna happen in the end that's what happens at the end and nobody else can do this and notice this you'll be hated of all nations for my name's sake and that name is the holy one of this that it's the name Israel that they hate and God says that's my name that's my name my name is on Israel so here as I have 47 and we'll get there eventually as for our Redeemer our Redeemer so so our Redeemer our kinsman redeemer we'll talk about that in a bit the Lord of Hosts is his name the Holy One of Israel Isaiah is telling us isaiah interacted with him he's saying he's the Lord of Hosts the Holy One of Israel and over and over and over and over and over again Isaiah just calls him the Holy One of Israel he is the God of Jacob forever and he is the Holy One of Israel and it's because of this name the Holy One

of Israel that the nation's aren't just with satanic rage and they're against the people who call this name and this gospel the gospel that goes all the way back to Deuteronomy then the got the gospel that Moses preached it to the fathers which in Hebrews Paul says they had the gospel preached to them even as we had to Crete gospel preached to us but with them it wasn't mixed with faith same gospel same message just they didn't believe it we have to believe it and so Christ is preaching it is not a new gospel and Isaiah is preaching the same gospel in fact Christ is quoting Isaiah and the good news in Isaiah to show that it's the same gospel the same good news this good news of the kingdom the kingdom being restored to Israel that's the good news it's the good news that Moses said you're going to be you're going to the land you're gonna corrupt yourself you're going to be scattered and puffed out of the land and then God is gonna gather you and put you back in the land and this gospel this good news that God's elect are going to be gathered and put back in the land this is what's going to be preached in all the world for a witness legal term because God is calling the nations to court so someone has to tell them so they can't say we didn't know it'll be preached for a witness unto all nations all the that hate Israel they're going to be told the land is Israel's God gave to Israel you don't belong there and right now hit on either until they repent and accept Christ then God is gonna put them in that land in all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end come God is I'm the first and the last

so everything's gonna happen exactly as God says and not before nothing the end cannot come until absolutely everything God says is gonna happen happens because God is in control and that's why we see here in in acts 1 when the Lord Himself was teaching the Apostles they wanted to know is this when you restore the kingdom to Israel it's all about the fact that God is restoring the kingdom to his people so this is why I last week we saw Zion that brings good news that brings the gospel get you up into the high mountain and again Moses said you're going into a land with with mountains get up into the high mountain o Jerusalem that brings the gospel lift up your voice with strength shout don't be afraid of the this these people that hate the name of Israel don't be afraid of them shout the gospel say to the city in in come comfort you my people say to the cities of Judah it's your God that's coming wait for him he will give strength to the faint he will renew those who are failing if you wait on him if you look for him so in the future these cities of Judah have to have the gospel preached to them so that they can come to the repentance that Moses spoke up they need to see that the God is coming to act on their behalf behold your God not not the God the God of Judah the God of Israel Yahweh and that's why here we see Isaiah again saying how beautiful upon the mountains it's a specific plot of land that has mountains and valleys and this servant is gonna come and walk up and down on this specific plot of land that God loves so God Himself is gonna come and walk on the land that he loves how beautiful upon the mountains are the

feet of

that brings the gospel to his people he didn't go all over the world saying good news good news he came to his people saying good news that publishes peace because there's so much warfare on this land that brings God the gospel good news of good that publishes salvation that says unto Zion he comes and he says to Zion your God reigns your God reign so there's a controversy about which God reigns and he says your God reigns I'm the first and the last and no nobody can frustrate what I'm doing now I want to just read a bit from Ezekiel and this is gonna make it really really clear because all the prophets are seeing the same thing so as I is looking into the future and he's seeing what Moses saw and Ezekiel now looks into the future and he sees the same thing he says this and I said to it thus says the Lord God behold all Mount Seir this is Edom Edom is right beside Judah it's at today what we would call Jordan so these are Muslim people this is what Ezekiel is seeing in the end time all Mount Seir I am against you so there's a controversy and they're against Judah and Judas against them and there's this controversy as to who's God is real and God of the universe says to Edom I'm against you and I will stretch out my hand against you and I will make you most desolate and we see that again in Malachi 1 God is going to bring down the people of Edom I will lace your cities waist and you shall be desolate you try to make my people desolate I'm going to make you desolate and you should you shall know that i am the lord not your false god I'm the Lord the God of Israel because you have had a perpetual hatred so this

hatred goes all the way back to the

Torah what Moses spoke about when they were going into the land this hatred has always been there and now you just have different excuses as to why you should hate these people but the hatred has been it's perpetual it's it's it's almost like it's genetically encoded because you have had a perpetual hatred and have shed the blood of the children of Israel by the force of the sword so this is what you've done God is calling it God is saying this is what's gonna happen in the end time you're going in and you're shedding the blood of the children of Israel by the force of the sword in the time of their calamity in the time that their iniquity had an end also you son of man prophesy unto the mountains of Israel and say you mountains of Israel so how beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that that preaches this gospel and says unto the people behold your God now you son of man prophesy unto the mountains of Israel and say you mountains of Israel hear the word of the Lord thus says the Lord God because the enemy has said against you aha even the ancient high places are ours in possession so these people are going to be successful in convincing the whole world that these places belong to them and the God of the universe

the beginning and the end is now saying to Israel the land of Israel that the enemy God sees them as the enemy so it's not that the people but this this doctrine that's in their head that's just the do Satan deceives all the world the whole world and so they now become the enemy of God and they're like joyful that they've taken possession of the land therefore prophesy and say thus says the Lord God because they have made

you desolate so these people have made the land the people of the land desolate and swallowed you up on every side Jerusalem surrounded by armies that you might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen so they have a doctrine that says that they can do this and take the people captive and you are taken up in the lips of talkers and are an infamy of the people so the people of God rgeous there's a lot of talk about how righteous they are and how the people of God are an infamy a disgrace therefore you mountains of Israel God is prophesied to the mountains of Israel which Moses said this is a beautiful land with mountains here the word of the Lord God thus says the Lord God to the mountains and to the hills different words so this is the same word that Moses saw to the rivers and to the valleys to the desolate wastes and to the cities that are forsaken so there's just wholesale slaughter which became a prey and derision of the residue of the heathen God refers to the machine because they are not part of the Covenant people that are roundabout therefore thus says the Lord God surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the heathen god is furious for what they have done to his people and and it stirs him to great wrath upon this people from for the abuse that they are meeting out on on his covenant people surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the heathen against all I do Mia this is Esau this is Edom this is this is the Jordanian people and the people that are right next to the land that there's a perpetual hatred between these people and the people in the land

so he's God speaking against all I do mia which have appointed my land into their possession gotta say this is my land and they're coming in and saying it's their land and everybody agrees that this land in fact now the people of Judah are referred to as occupiers they're occupying the land that God is saying I'm gonna give this land to my people it's my land but now these people are coming in and saying no it's theirs and they're erasing all the history they're trying to destroy all the archaeology and say that the people of God the Jews that genetic people from descended from Israel have no right to the land they have no claim to the land and God is saying that he's against these people that have taken his land and

it's--there's with the joy of all their heart they just love this is just there they're just in ecstasy that they have taken possession of the land with despiteful mines to cast it out for a prey they really don't want the land they just don't want the Jews to have it they have their own land they have their own bully land but then they want this to prophesy therefore concerning the Land of Israel and say unto the mountains and to the hills this is God speaking about the land he's very specific as land with mountains and it's a very specific piece of real estate that he personally cares for and considers it his land and he's promised that particular real estate to Abraham and his seed forever through the covenant people to the hills to the rivers and the valleys thus says the Lord God behold I have spoken in my jealousy and in my fury because you have borne the shame of the heeta God is

furious and if we love Muslims we need to get them to read the Bible this book of Isaiah is is powerful the Book of Ezekiel is powerful Jeremiah Moses all of these books didn't it all ties together and it tells the same story

same story God is furious because his people have borne the shame of the heathen that these people have an ideology that says that the people of God are nothing that their filth and God is furious about this therefore thus says the Lord God I have lifted up my hand surely the heathen that are around you so we need to know where the land is that God cares for personally that God has promised that he's going to return and then we need to look at who's around that land and what kind of people are these and what's their ideology surely the the heathen that are around you they shall bear their shame so there's a specific plot of land that is mountainous that has valleys that God cares for that his eye is upon all the time that he's going to return to that he wanted he's promised to Abraham and his seed forever and there's people around that land that are saying it's theirs and that have an ideology that puts God's people to shame and disgraces them and god is furious and he says that the shame that they're putting on his people he's gonna put it on them but you all mountains of Israel you shall shoot forth your branches and yield your fruit to my people of Israel for they are at hand to come say saying I'm gonna put my people in this land and the land is gonna be prosperous and it's gonna feed the people for behold I am for you I am against all I do Leah I'm against Edom I'm gonna make Edom

desolate but I am for you same thing Isaiah saying and I will turn unto you and you shall be tilled and sown and I will multiply men upon you so God is saying to the land you will be a prosperous land and as much as there's all this destruction and shame on the land I'm gonna multiply men upon you all the house of Israel God is gonna put these people in the land even all of it even all of it and the cities shall be inhabited and the wastes shall be built so all of this destruction is going to be rebuilt and I will multiply upon you man and beast and they shall increase and bring fruit much to either Mia's chagrin that these people that surround it want to completely destroy it and devastates devastated and make it desolate and God is saying I'm the first in the last I get the last word I'm going to make this land prosperous and I will set her it settle you after your old estates and will do better unto you then at your beginning and you you shall know that i am the lord so they're going to be searching the scriptures and saying wow this god does exactly what he says he's going to do yes i will cause men to walk upon you even my people israel and they shall possess you my people israel they're the ones that will possess you and you shall be their inheritance not anybody else's and you shall no more henceforth believe them of men

so no more

killing in this land thus says the Lord God because they say unto you your land devours up men and have bereaved your nations therefore you shall devour men no more neither bereaved new nations anymore so there'll be no more war here Jerusalem will be a place of peace says

the Lord neither will I cause men to hear in you the shame of the heathen so there is a shame of the heathen that is taking place right in the land of Jerusalem this this land that God has chosen I dunya have come in and they're blasting their glory in this land and God is saying you know what I'm gonna put a change I'm gonna put a stop to that that's not gonna happen any more no more are people going to see and then do or hear that in Jerusalem it's gonna happen but I'm gonna put a stop to it neither will I cause men to hear in you the shame of the heathen anymore neither shall you bear the reproach of the people anymore neither shall you cause your nations to fall anymore says the Lord God moreover the word of the Lord came unto me saying son of man when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land they defiled it by their own way and by their doings their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman therefore I poured my fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land exactly what Moses warned them about that if you disobey the commandments and you start murdering and lying and stealing and breaking the commandments then you'll be plucked from the land and so this is what God says he did and for their idols when they had polluted it and I scattered them among the heathen so the heathen think that they're doing it but it's actually God who's allowing it and they were dispersed through the countries and that's why God is gonna gather them back according to their way and according to their doings I judged them and when they entered unto the heathen where they went they profaned my holy name so God wants to be known as

the Holy One of Israel the God of Jacob the God of Israel

but they forsook God and they profaned his holy name and so the heathen were able to dismiss God when they said to them these are the people of the Lord and are gone forth out of his land so we were successful getting them out of the land and yet they claimed to be the people of God but I had picky for my holy name the Holy One of Israel which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen where they went therefore say unto the house of Israel that's why this is exactly why Christ says he says I have pity for my Holy Name and that's why he says you shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake because somebody gets it and they preach the good news that God is acting for his holy name

that's why he's gonna act and we just preach it but I had pity for my Holy Name which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen where they went

therefore say unto the house of Israel thus says the Lord God I do not this for your sakes a house of Israel but for my holy name's sake he's the Holy One of Israel is what Isaiah reveals so because of that name the Holy One of Israel there has to be in Israel because he's the Holy One of Israel there has to be in Israel so he's going to do this for his holy name sake which you have profaned among the heathen where you went and I will send to fine my great name which was profaned among the heathen they had the upper hand allahu akbar laws the greatest Allah Allahu Akbar means Allah is greater so Allah is greater than your Yahweh and so God's name is profaned among the heathen

which you have profaned in the midst of them and the heathen shall know that I am God so that all that nonsense is gonna stop and Yahweh the Holy One of Israel will be established in the land in the whole earth and they will so Israel will know that God is God and the heathen will know that I am the Lord says the Lord God when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes and eyes I is going to talk about this in detail but that's what God is going to do there's gonna be a set of human beings that are genetically descended from Jacob and God is going to be glorified in them in front of the healer the heathen are actually going to bow down and acknowledge that these are the people of God for I will take you from among the heathen that's why God says for the elects sake these days will be shortened because he's the first and the last and he's going to do everything that he said at the beginning he's gonna fulfill it at the end so he's going to take the elect from among the heathen and gather you out of all countries this is the second Exodus and I will bring you into your own land these are human beings that are going to be in the land you know Christians we understand that we are going to be born into the God family and we're going to have oversight over this operation as first fruits that are born early into the family of God to facilitate this process that God has set about to save all of mankind and allow enable all of mankind ultimately if they repent to be born into the kingdom of God as part of the fall harvest then I will sprinkle clean water upon you and you shall be cleaned from all your filthiness exactly what this is the

fulfillment of what Moses said you're going to go into the land you'll be blessed in there when you do everything that you the God tells you to do and we see that with David set up and then Solomon the first part of Solomon's reign and then you're going to stray and you're gonna corrupt yourself and then we see Isaiah coming on and say okay Assyria is gonna wipe out the northern tribes Babylon is gonna wipe out the southern tribes and then this is gonna continue right up to the end time so Isaiah's laying down a pattern an early pattern that's gonna be repeated in the end time and he's gonna he's gonna get into detail and tell us exactly what's gonna happen in the end time but this is exactly what Moses foresaw and so now is the Aquila saying the same thing what Moses sent from Deuteronomy that you will be clean from all your filthiness and from all your idols will I cleanse you a new heart cuz this is what Moses said in Deuteronomy 30 you're gonna serve God with your whole heart a new heart also will I give you and a new spirit will I put within you and I will take away the stony heart out of your and I will give you a heart of flesh you're gonna you're gonna have a heart for God instead of having this hardness and and rebellious nurse God is gonna solve that problem with his people and they're gonna have a heart for God so that they can be a nation of that of kings and priests physically on the earth and I will put my spirit within you so these are gonna be human beings that I gotta have the Spirit of God put in them and cause you to walk in my statutes exactly what Moses said and you shall keep my judgments and do them and you shall dwell in the land that I gave

to your fathers so we have to go back and say what land did God give to the fathers what land is very mountainous that God Himself is gonna come and walk up and down on those mountains and preach to proclaim the good news that these mountains are the mountains that are going to have good news despite all the warfare that's going to be upon them and you shall dwell in the land that I gave your father's that's the land and you shall be my people and I will be your God exactly what Moses said we'll just wrap up with 41 let me see if I can he says fear and fear you not for I am with you do not be dismayed for I am your God so there's gonna be reason to be dismayed there's gonna be reason to be discouraged for these people I will strengthen you that's what he said at the end of chapter 40 that they're faint but he's gonna give them strength I will strengthen you yes I will help you yes I will uphold you with the right hand of my righteousness because of his covenant behold all day that's the healin that were incensed against you they shall be ashamed and confused so that's why if you have Muslim friends you need to get them to read the scriptures and search these scriptures and compare it compare them because God is saying I'm God and the way that you can know I'm God is I do exactly what I say I do it you just have to do the people of God just have to wait upon the Lord and he will do it Muslims have to do the killing for Allah Allah doesn't do anything a lot just makes these pronouncements that he's gonna they're gonna he's gonna burn them in Hellfire forever and ever if they don't do what he says and so now they have to go and blow themselves up

and do all this work God says I do this wait upon me I'm gonna do this things because God is real we hold all day that were incensed against you shall be ashamed and confused they will be as nothing and they that strive with you shall perish so these people in this land are going to have people that are striving with them and those people that are striving with them will perish and in that day will I make Jerusalem so this is a saccharide saying how this is going to be fulfilled how is it that these people are gonna have power and get those people to do the nation's to be confused in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people

so all these these Gentile nations Jerusalem's gonna be able don't don't mess with Jerusalem but they are gonna Satan is gonna stir them up the focus is gonna be Jerusalem for some reason God loves this land so Satan has the focus on this land there's the whole earth but they have this has to be Jerusalem all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it so even though all these nations are gathered against Jerusalem Isaiah says they're all like a drop a drop in the bucket they're nothing to God you shall seek them and shall not find them even them that contended with you these powerful nations you won't find them they that war against you shall be as nothing and as a thing of nothing so again we see Christ telling us that Jerusalem is gonna be surrounded with armies and now Zachariah tells us or so Isaiah is telling us that you're gonna stall these people that were powerful warriors to destroy you know you owe me

nothing so they will seem like they're gonna be successful then God's gonna stop it for I the Lord your God will hold your right hand saying unto you fear not I will help you he says here fear not you worm Jacob so God refers to Jacob or Israel as a worm look how helpless a worm is what defense mechanism does a worm house but he says don't be afraid those that wait upon the Lord he's going to give them supernatural strength fear not you worm Jacob and you men of Israel I will help you says the Lord your Redeemer the Holy One of Israel for his name's sake he's going to act and he's the kinsman redeemer so he's gonna be related to them as this kinsman redeemer he's the one that's going to redeem them behold I will make you a new sharp threshing threshing instrument having teeth and you shall Thresh the mountains and beat them small so again if this land that had that is mountainous that they're going to be given this supernatural strength to just be like this sharp threshing instrument and shall make the hills as chaff and so again zechariah tells us that in this day Jude is gonna be like a an oven of fire among wood so all these powerful nations God is gonna give due to supernatural strength and they're just gonna burn up like what do you won't even know what happened to them and they shall devour all the people round about so all these people that come and surround Jerusalem and burden themselves with Jerusalem God is gonna destroy them and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place even in Jerusalem back to Isaiah 41 you shall fan them guess that the that the nation's and the wind shall carry them away and the whirlwind shall scatter

them and you shall rejoice in the Lord and shall glory in the Holy One of Israel when the poor and needy seek water and there is none and their tongue fails for thirst I the Lord will hear them I the God of Israel will not forsake them even though to God dude Judah Israel is up has a warrant but God is gonna stand for Judah God is gonna end for Israel God is gonna do exactly what from the beginning what he said to what Moses prophesied I the God of Israel will not forsake them let us not engage in replacement theology because then we're calling God a liar God has not cast away his people he will not forsake them he's going to do exactly what he said he's going to do I will open the rivers in high places and fountains in the midst of valleys I will make the wilderness a pool of water and the dry land Springs of water God is gonna personally care if it he says I care for this land I will plant in the wilderness the cedar the a tree the Myrtle and the oil tree I will scent in the desert the fir tree and the pine in the box tree together this is a plot of land that God personally cares for and he says I'm gonna come and I'm personally gonna landscape this that they may see and know and consider and understand together that the hand of the Lord has done this everybody's gonna realize Wow God has done this and the Holy One of Israel has created it that's who we're dealing with here the Holy One of Israel because he's the Holy One of Israel there has to be in Israel so that he can be the Holy One of Israel so now he gets into this argument this is the court case that he has with the nations and he says produce your cause

you say your God is so wonderful produce your cause says the Lord then forth your strong reasons let's hear it says the king of Jacob I'm the king of Jacob let's hear your arguments and so this is what David says why do the heathen rage it's vain why why do they set themselves and take counsel together it's nonsense God is gonna laugh at them David says that he sits in the heavens and laughs because he's the first and last he said okay let them bring forth let's let's hear your arguments and show us what shut this this is why we can't engage in replacement theology because God is is banking his argument on the fact that what he said from the beginning he will fulfill in the end so if we discard the beginning if we say oh what Moses prophesied doesn't matter then which we've destroyed God's very argument to the heathen come with your Koran and tell us in the Koran what's gonna happen in the future and God the God of Israel says this is what I'm doing he says let them bring forth and show us what shall happen tell us give us your prophecy let them show the former things what they be that we may consider them this this is how God is considering this is God's argument come with your crystal ball tell us what you wrote thousands of years ago and tell us what's gonna happen in the future because if you're God you should be able to do that you shouldn't have to abrogate and keep changing your mind God doesn't change his mind he C does what he says let them show the former things what they'll be that we may consider them and no the latter end of them or declare unto us things to come show the things that are to come here after that we may know that you are God's yes do good or do evil

that we may be dismayed and be hold it together so God is mocking these false gods bring your scriptures show us anciently what you've predicted would happen in the future and then let us watch and see and we'll consider this because this is what God is doing that he gives in detail what's gonna happen and then it happens exactly as he says let's be hold it together behold you are of nothing and your work is nothing an abomination is he that chooses you so we have a choice to make we go this way or do we go that way and you know what God is saying look to prophecy look to the ancient scriptures unfold the ancient scriptures see what they say and use that as your confidence in making the right choice don't choose people who have no power to bring to pass what it is they say they will do he says I have raised up one from the north and now he's speaking specifically of Cyrus and and it ultimately is going to be Christ that fulfills this I have raised up one from the north and he shall come this is God from the beginning saying this is what's gonna happen from the rising of the Sun shall he call upon my name and he shall come upon princes as upon mortar and as though as the potter treads the clay so isaiah is predicting that it you know 150 years later this is what's gonna happen with bob with between Babylon and Persia even though Assyria is the superpower at the time he's writing who has declared from the beginning that we may know let's go back to the Torah see what God declared and thous of years later that's exactly what's happening who else has done this who has declared from the beginning that we may not and before time that we may say he

is righteous yea there is none that shows there is none that declares yes there is none that hears your words the first shall say to Zion behold behold them and I will give to Jerusalem one that brings good tidings and so I think I will I've quoted I've quoted Matthew I talked about the kinsman redeemer I just want to finish Isaiah 41 he says verse 29 behold they are all vanity their works are nothing so so God is saying to Judah and to Israel don't be terrified of these people I'm the one that raises them up allows them to come in and do what they do but when they when they're abusive I'm gonna punish them for their evil so you're a worm you don't have any defenses against these people but I'm going to act on your behalf that's how that's how we'll know who is God he says behold there are all vanity their works are nothing their molten images are wind and confusion and the next week now what God willing we'll get into chapter 42 where he introduces his servant behold my servant whom I uphold my elect in whom my soul delights I have put my spirit upon him he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles so this is the comfort that God is bringing to his people and that was Isaiah 41 a little bit of a longer chapter but it's just very very important else we wanted to tie in Ezekiel that all these prophets are seeing the same thing it's what Moses declared from the beginning so we go all the way back to the Torah and exactly what God said is gonna happen that's what happens why because he's Alpha and Omega and there's no God like him what a god we serve Jesus Christ is God he came personally with this message of good news let us preach the gospel that Christ

