

The Office of Christ

Isaiah 42

Consider the ministry of Christ

A. God's Servant - Christ (Isaiah 42:1-17)

1. His person (42:1a)

Matthew 12:17-18

2. His personality (42:1b-3)

Matthew 11:29, 1 Peter 2:22

3. His power (42:4-5)

John 1:3-4

4. His purpose (42:6-7)

Luke 4:21

5. His praise (42:8)

Hosea 13:4

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A. God's Servant - Christ (Isaiah 42:1-17) - continued

6. His prophecy (42:9-17)

a. A new thing (v 9)

1 Samuel 3:11, Revelation 21:5

b. A new song (vv 10-12)

c. A new judgment (vv 13-15)

d. A new "God" (vv 16-17)

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B. God's People – Servants or Not? (Isaiah 42:18-25)

1. Blind and Deaf (42:18-19)

Matthew 23:24

2. Self-righteous (42:20)

3. Not understanding the Law (42:21)

4. Destitute (42:22-23)

Luke 12:21

5. Disobedient (42:24)

6. God's correction ignored (42:25)

God Restores His People

Isaiah 43

God is the only hope for restoration and righteousness

I. The Building of Faith (Isaiah 43:1-13)

A. Faith can only be possessed by those who have been redeemed (43:1)

Isaiah 43:1

But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine.

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B. Faith is built by experiencing God's power (43:2-3)

Isaiah 43:2-3

2 When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

3 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.

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C. Faith is built by understanding we are precious in God's eyes (43:4)

Isaiah 43:4

Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.

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D. Faith is trusting in future restoration (43:5-7)

Isaiah 43:5-7

5 Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;

6 I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth;

7 Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

I. The Building of Faith (Isaiah 43:1-13)

E. Faith is no longer being blind and deaf to God (43:8-13)

1. Realizing that only God is possessor of truth (vv 8-9)

Isaiah 43:8-9

8 Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.

9 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.

I. The Building of Faith (Isaiah 43:1-13)

**E. Faith is no longer being blind and deaf to God (43:8-13)
continued**

2. Realizing that only God is God (v 10)

Isaiah 43:10

**Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant
whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me,
and understand that I am he: before me there was no God
formed, neither shall there be after me.**

I. The Building of Faith (Isaiah 43:1-13)

**E. Faith is no longer being blind and deaf to God (43:8-13)
continued**

3. Realizing that only God provides a savior (vv 11-12)

Isaiah 43:11-12

11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God.

I. The Building of Faith (Isaiah 43:1-13)

**E. Faith is no longer being blind and deaf to God (43:8-13)
continued**

4. Realizing that only God can deliver (v 13a)

Isaiah 43:13a

Yea, before the day was I am he;...

5. Realizing that only God can stop God (13b)

Isaiah 43:13b

**... and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will
work, and who shall let it?**

II. The Blessings of Faith Promised

(Isaiah 43:14-21)

A. Future deliverance (43:14-17)

Isaiah 43:14-17

14 Thus saith the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; For your sake I have sent to Babylon, and have brought down all their nobles, and the Chaldeans, whose cry is in the ships.

15 I am the LORD, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.

II. The Blessings of Faith Promised

(Isaiah 43:14-21)

A. Future deliverance (43:14-17)

Isaiah 43:14-17 - continued

**16 Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea,
and a path in the mighty waters;**

**17 Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army
and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not
rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.**

II. The Blessings of Faith Promised

(Isaiah 43:14-21)

B. A new way (43:18-19)

Isaiah 43:18-19

18 Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.

19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

II. The Blessings of Faith Promised

(Isaiah 43:14-21)

C. God's provision (43:20)

Isaiah 43:20

The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons and the owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.

D. God's power (43:21)

Isaiah 43:21

This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.

III. The Blindness to Faith (Isaiah 43:22-28)

A. Occurs when God is not meaningful (43:22)

Isaiah 43:22

But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.

III. The Blindness to Faith (Isaiah 43:22-28)

**B. Occurs when spiritual discipline not exercised
(43:23-24)**

Isaiah 43:23-24

23 Thou hast not brought me the small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.

24 Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities.

III. The Blindness to Faith (Isaiah 43:22-28)

C. Occurs when repentance is not sought (43:25)

Isaiah 43:25

I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

D. Occurs when God is forgotten (43:26)

Isaiah 43:26

Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.

III. The Blindness to Faith (Isaiah 43:22-28)

E. Occurs when spiritual leadership is debased (43:27-28)

Isaiah 43:27-28

27 Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers have transgressed against me.

28 Therefore I have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and have given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.

Has God Restored Your Life?