

# **The Root of Trouble**

## **Isaiah 50**

**Those who reject Christ are rejected by God**

### **A. The “Divorce” of Israel by God (Isaiah 50:1)**

- 1. “Show” the divorce papers**
- 2. You put yourself “away”**
- 3. God does not break His covenant**

### **B. The Denial Of The Faithful One (Isaiah 50:2-3)**

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### **C. The Marriage Counselor Rejected by Israel**

**(Isaiah 50:4-9)**

**1. Christ's message - God's truth (50:4-5)**

**2. Christ's treatment - Persecution (50:6)**

**Matthew 26:67**

**3. Christ's patience - Hope in God (50:7-9)**

**a. For help before the judgment (v 7)**

**Luke 9:51**

**b. For justification through the judgment (v 8)**

**c. For victory after the judgment (v 9)**

**Hebrews 13:6**

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**D . A Choice for Reconciliation (Isaiah 50:10-11)**

**1. Trust in God = Success (50:10)**

**2. Trust in yourselves = Sorrow (50:11)**

# **Prepare for the Servant - I**

## **Isaiah 51**

**To find God you need to look and be ready for Him.**

# **I. A Call to Follow Righteousness (Isaiah 51:1-3)**

## **A. Only by seeking God (51:1a)**

**Isaiah 51:1a**

**Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: „„**

## **B. Remember your spiritual heritage (1b-2)**

**Isaiah 51:1b-2**

**...look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.**

**2 Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him.**

# I. A Call to Follow Righteousness (Isaiah 51:1-3)

## C. The promises of following righteousness (51:3)

### Isaiah 51:3

For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; **joy** and **gladness** shall be found therein, **thanksgiving**, and the **voice of melody**.

## **II. A Call to Salvation (Isaiah 51:4-6)**

### **A. Only from God (51:4)**

**Isaiah 51:4**

**Hearken unto me, my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation: for a law shall proceed from me, and I will make my judgment to rest for a light of the people.**

**Isaiah 43:11**

**I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no saviour.**

## **II. A Call to Salvation (Isaiah 51:4-6)**

### **B. The promise of salvation (51:5-6)**

#### **Isaiah 51:5-6**

**5 My righteousness is near; my salvation is gone forth, and mine arms shall judge the people; the isles shall wait upon me, and on mine arm shall they trust.**

**6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished.**

**1. It is near**

**2. It is eternal**



### **III. A Call to Follow God's Law (Isaiah 51:7-8)**

#### **A. Only from the heart (51:7)**

**Isaiah 51:7**

**Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings.**

**1. Where the law of God is hidden**

**2. Where the fear of reproach is driven**

**Hebrews 13:6**

**So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.**

### **III. A Call to Follow God's Law (Isaiah 51:7-8)**

**B. The promise of following God's Law (51:8) – No judgment**

**Isaiah 51:8**

**For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my salvation from generation to generation.**

**Romans 8:1**

**There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.**

## **IV. A Call to God For Action (Isaiah 51:9-16)**

**A. God does not work in our lives unless we cry out to Him  
(51:9-10)**

**Isaiah 51:9-10**

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

**10 Art thou not it which hath dried the sea, the waters of  
the great deep; that hath made the depths of the sea a way  
for the ransomed to pass over?**

## **IV. A Call to God For Action (Isaiah 51:9-16)**

### **B. The results of God's action (51:11-16)**

#### **1. Redemption (v 11)**

##### **Isaiah 51:11**

**Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.**

#### **2. Comfort (v 12)**

##### **Isaiah 51:12**

**I, even I, am he that comforteth you: who art thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man that shall die, and of the son of man which shall be made as grass;**

## **IV. A Call to God For Action (Isaiah 51:9-16)**

### **B. The results of God's action (51:11-16) - continued**

#### **3. Deliverance (vv 13-14)**

##### **Isaiah 51:13-14**

**13 And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor?**

**14 The captive exile hasteneth that he may be loosed, and that he should not die in the pit, nor that his bread should fail.**

## **IV. A Call to God For Action (Isaiah 51:9-16)**

**B. The results of God's action (51:11-16) - continued**

### **4. Protection (vv 15-16)**

**Isaiah 51:15-16**

**15 But I am the LORD thy God, that divided the sea, whose waves roared: The LORD of hosts is his name.**

**16 And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou art my people.**

# **V. A Call to Jerusalem For Action**

## **(Isaiah 51:17-23)**

**A. Right actions do not occur unless we stand up (51:17)**

**Isaiah 51:17**

**Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the hand of the LORD the cup of his fury; thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, and wrung them out.**

**How much judgment must one go through to wake up?**

**1 Corinthians 15:34**

**Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.**

## **V. A Call to Jerusalem For Action (Isaiah 51:17-23)**

**B. Right actions do not occur unless we follow the right leader (51:18-20)**

**Isaiah 51:18-20**

**18 There is none to guide her among all the sons whom she hath brought forth; neither is there any that taketh her by the hand of all the sons that she hath brought up.**

**19 These two things are come unto thee; who shall be sorry for thee? desolation, and destruction, and the famine, and the sword: by whom shall I comfort thee?**

**20 Thy sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net: they are full of the fury of the LORD, the rebuke of thy God.**



## **V. A Call to Jerusalem For Action (Isaiah 51:17-23)**

**C. Right actions lead to spiritual freedom (51:21-23)**

**Isaiah 51:21-23**

**21 Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted, and drunken, but not with wine:**

**22 Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God that pleadeth the cause of his people, Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, even the dregs of the cup of my fury; thou shalt no more drink it again:**

**23 But I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee; which have said to thy soul, Bow down, that we may go over: and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the street, to them that went over.**

**Are You Prepared?**