

Outline of  
Isaiah



# Introduction

## Writer

Isaiah.

## Theme

As the New Testament presents the Lord Jesus Christ as its theme, so Isaiah presents the Lord Jesus Christ as his theme. Isaiah has been called the 5th evangelist; the Book of Isaiah has been called the 5th Gospel. Christ's virgin birth, His character, His life, His death, His resurrection, and His second coming are all presented in Isaiah with definiteness and clarity. (See 1 Peter 1:10, 11; cp. Luke 4:16-22 with Isaiah 61:1-4.)

## Style and content

The prophecy of Isaiah is strikingly similar to the entire Bible, which can be seen in the following comparison:

BIBLE	BOOK OF ISAIAH
66 Books	66 Chapters
39 Books in Old Testament	39 Chapters on LAW, the Government of God
27 Books in New Testament	27 Chapters on GRACE, Salvation of God

Also, there are some 66 direct quotations from Isaiah in the New Testament. Some people have found 85 quotations and allusions to Isaiah in the New Testament.

**20 of the 27 books of the New Testament refer to Isaiah;  
12 books of the New Testament have direct quotations.**

ISAIAH is woven into the New Testament as a brightly colored thread woven into a beautiful pattern.

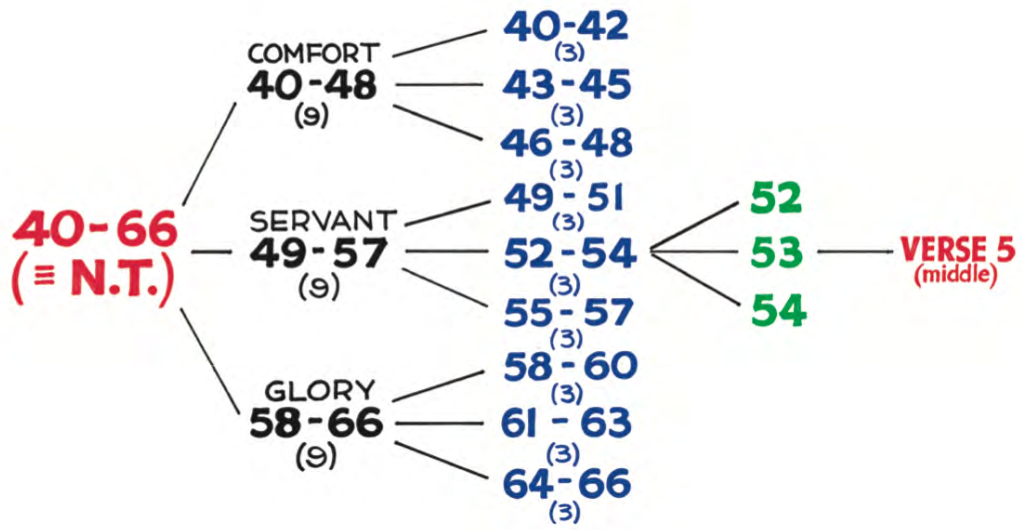
ISAIAH is discernible and conspicuous in the New Testament.

ISAIAH is chiseled into the rock of the New Testament with the power tool of the Holy Spirit.

ISAIAH is often used to enforce and enlarge upon those passages that speak of Christ.

The historic interlude (chapters 36—39) leaves the high plateau of prophecy and drops down to the record of history. Even the form of language is different. It is couched in the form of prose rather than poetry.

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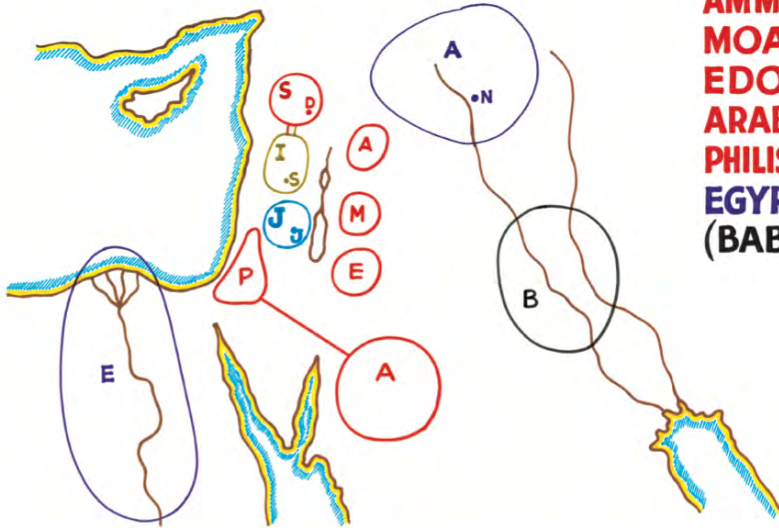


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SCARLET



**UZZIAH 792-740 • JOTHAM 750-731**  
**AHAZ 735-715 • HEZEKIAH 715-686**  
**MANASSEH 695- 642**

**JUDAH(2) Jerusalem**  
**ISRAEL (10) Samaria**  
**SYRIA - Damascus**  
**AMMON**  
**MOAB**  
**EDOM**  
**ARABIA**  
**PHILISTIA**  
**EGYPT**  
**(BABYLON)**



<u>KINGS</u>	<u>CHARACTER</u>	<u>BATTLES</u>	<u>ALLIANCES</u>	<u>EVENTS</u>
<b>UZZIAH</b> 52	<b>GOOD</b> <b>BAD</b>	<b>PHILISTIA</b> WON <b>ARABIA</b> WON <b>ASSYRIA</b> LOST		<b>Leprosy</b> <b>AMOS</b> N
<b>JOTHAM</b> 19	<b>GOOD</b>	<b>AMMON</b> WON <b>ISRAEL</b> WON <b>SYRIA</b> WON	<b>ASSYRIA</b>	<b>"Immanuel"</b> <b>HOSEA</b> N
<b>AHAZ</b> 20	<b>BAD</b>	<b>EDOM</b> LOST <b>PHILISTIA</b> LOST <b>ASSYRIA</b> LOST		<b>Samaria falls</b> } 721 <b>Israel ends</b> }
<b>HEZEKIAH</b> 29	<b>GOOD</b>	<b>PHILISTIA</b> WON <b>ASSYRIA</b> WON	<b>EGYPT</b>	<b>Water tunnel</b> chs 36-39
<b>MANASSEH</b> 53	<b>BAD</b>	<b>ASSYRIA</b> LOST		<b>Isaiah killed</b>

UZZIAH'S  
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SENNACHERIB  
KING OF THE  
ASSYRIANS



HEZEKIAH'S TUNNEL (THE SILOAM TUNNEL)



SILOAM INSCRIPTION



Part I

ASSYRIAN  
TROOPS



SKULLS  
OUTSIDE  
WALL



Part I

**PART I (1-39 ≡ O.T.)**

**MORE BAD NEWS**

**HUMAN ACTIVITY**

**SIN AND RETRIBUTION**

**JUSTICE**

**CONFRONTING**

**GOD OF ISRAEL**

**NATIONAL**

**ISRAEL & NEIGHBOURS**

**GOD-FIRE**

**HAND UPRAISED TO STRIKE**

**CURSES (WOE)**

**'STRANGE WORK'**

**JEWS**

**ASSYRIA** ----- (chs 36-39) -----

**BEFORE EXILE (PRESENT)**

**PART II (40-66 ≡ N.T.)**

**MORE GOOD NEWS**

**DIVINE ACTIVITY**

**SALVATION AND REDEMPTION**

**MERCY**

**COMFORTING**

**CREATOR OF UNIVERSE**

**INTERNATIONAL**

**ISRAEL & NATIONS**

**GOD-FATHER**

**ARM OUTSTRETCHED TO SAVE**

**BLESSINGS**

**'GOOD TIDINGS'**

**GENTILES**

**BABYLON**

**AFTER EXILE (FUTURE)**

Part II

JERUSALEM JEWELRY





**PART I (1-39)**

1-10 **REPROOF**: JUDAH  
 JERUSALEM  
 11-12 **COMING GLORY**  
 13-23 **JUDGEMENT**: OTHER  
 NATIONS  
 24-34 **JUDGEMENT**: SAMARIA  
 JUDAH  
 35 **COMING GLORY**  
 36-39 **ASSYRIA/BABYLON**

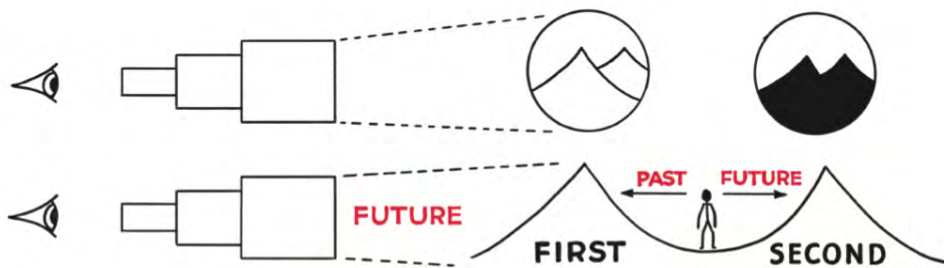
<b>BAD NEWS</b>	<b>GOOD NEWS</b>
DISOBEDIENCE	REMNANT
DISCIPLINE	RETURN
DISASTER	REIGN *
DEJECTION	REJOICING

**PART II (40-66)**

40-48 **COMFORT**  
 49-57 **SALVATION**  
 58-66 **GLORY**

"us" { **GOD**  
**SERVANT (SUFFERING) \***  
**SPIRIT**

**FUTURE**: JERUSALEM  
 NATIONS  
 UNIVERSE



**ISAIAH'S DOUBLE FULFILMENT:**

**FIRST COMING**  
 'a servant shall suffer'  
 (PART II)

**SECOND COMING**  
 'a king shall reign'  
 (PART I)

# I. Judgment (poetry)

Chapters 1 – 35

**Revelation of the Sovereign on the throne.  
(The Crown, chapter 6. The government of God.)**

- A. Solemn call to the universe to come into the courtroom to hear God's charge against the nation Israel, Chapter 1**
- B. Preview of the future for Judah and Jerusalem, Chapter 2**
- C. Present view of Judah and Jerusalem, Chapter 3**
- D. Another preview of the future, Chapter 4**
- E. Parable of the vineyard and woes predicted on Israel, Chapter 5**
- F. Isaiah's personal call and commission as prophet, Chapter 6**
- G. Prediction of local and far events, Chapters 7 – 10 (Hope of future in coming Child)**
- H. Millennial kingdom, Chapters 11, 12**
- I. Burdens of surrounding nations (largely fulfilled), Chapters 13 – 23**
  - 1. Burden of Babylon, Chapters 13, 14
  - 2. Burden of Moab, Chapters 15, 16
  - 3. Burden of Damascus, Chapter 17
  - 4. Burden of the land beyond the rivers of Ethiopia, Chapter 18
  - 5. Burden of Egypt, Chapters 19, 20
  - 6. Burden of Babylon, Edom, Arabia, Chapter 21
  - 7. Burden of the Valley of Vision, Chapter 22
  - 8. Burden of Tyre, Chapter 23
- J. Kingdom, process and program by which the throne is established on earth, Chapters 24 – 34**
- K. Kingdom, mundane blessings of the Millennium, Chapter 35**



## II. Historic interlude (prose)

Chapters 36 – 39

(This section is probably a prophetic picture of how God will deliver His people in the Great Tribulation [see 2 Kings 18, 19 and 2 Chronicles 29, 30].)

- A. King Hezekiah and the invasion of Sennacherib, king of Assyria, Chapter 36
- B. King Hezekiah's prayer and the destruction of the Assyrian hosts, Chapter 37
- C. King Hezekiah's sickness, prayer and healing, Chapter 38
- D. King Hezekiah plays the fool, Chapter 39



## III. Salvation (poetry)

Chapters 40 – 66

Revelation of the Savior in the place of suffering.

(The Cross, chapter 53. The grace of God. There is a three-fold division marked by the concluding thought in each division, "There is no peace to the wicked.")

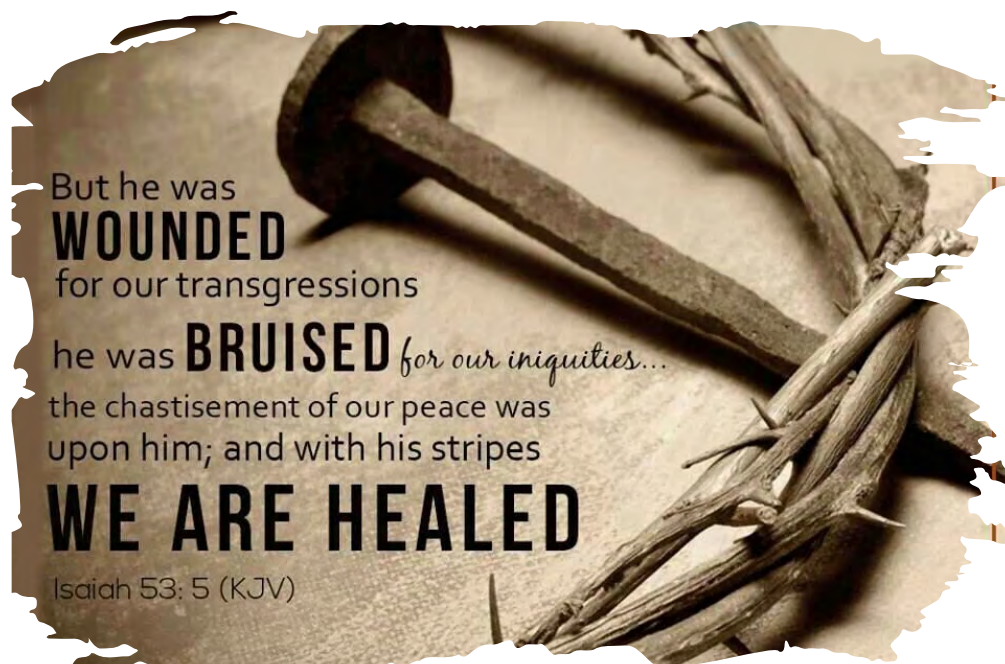
- A. Comfort of Jehovah which comes through the Servant, Chapters 40 – 48 (Polemic against idolatry – help and hope come only through the Servant.)

**B. Salvation of Jehovah which comes through the suffering Servant, Chapters 49 — 57**

1. Redeemer of the whole world, who is God's Servant, Chapters 49:1 — 52:12
2. Redemption wrought by the suffering Servant, who is God's Sheep (Lamb), Chapters 52:13 — 53:12
3. Results of the redemption wrought by the Redeemer, who is God's only Savior, Chapters 54 — 57

**C. Glory of Jehovah which comes through the suffering Servant, Chapters 58 — 66**

1. Sin hinders the manifestation of the glory of God, Chapters 58, 59
2. Redeemer is coming to Zion, Chapters 60 — 66 (Nothing can hinder God's progress — He will judge sin.)



# Quiz on Isaiah

1. In Chapter 7, Isaiah prophesied that the Messiah would be born to a virgin mother and that she would call him what name?

2. According to Chapter 26, who will the Lord keep in perfect peace?

3. Isaiah tells us more about Christ and says that he will be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father and the Prince of ... what?

4. From the first verses of Isaiah Chapter 11, what would rest on the Branch from the roots of Jesse?

5. In Chapter 61, Isaiah prophesied that 'The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me...', to do what?

6. In the Book of Isaiah, which Gentile king did God refer to as his anointed?

7. In Chapter 56, what will the Lord's house be called?

8. What does Isaiah tell us about those that wait on the Lord?

9. In Chapter 41, what does God tell us about being fearless?

10. When the enemy comes in like a flood what will the Spirit of the Lord do?

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