



**Isaiah 40**  
**Living Passionately for God's Glory: Eagle Powers**



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## Isaiah 40:1~2 NASB

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

<sup>2</sup> Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,

and cry to her

that her warfare is ended,

that her iniquity is pardoned,

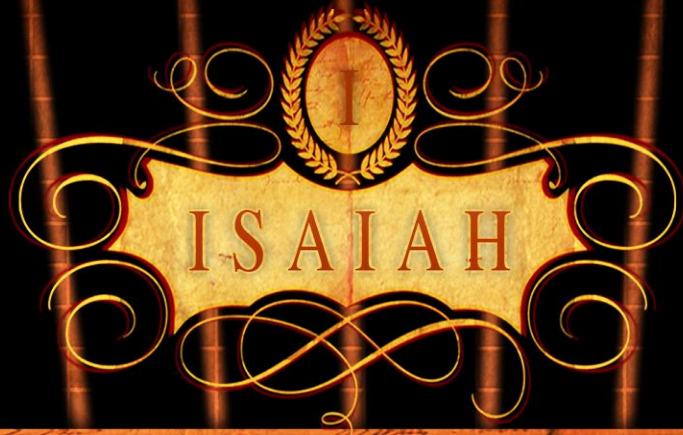
that she has received from the LORD's hand

double for all her sins.



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- Many of us have been broken by sin and life; we need comfort!
- God is the God of all grace & has a double grace for you
- Speak kindly = Speak to the heart



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- Warfare has ended; much more bad will still come their way
- But God has brought peace from sin
- Be comforted; Christ brings peace inside



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- Passionately live for God's glory
- He has covered your sins
- He has given you comfort
- He has ensured that brokenness will not define your forever



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## Isaiah 40:3~8 NASB

<sup>3</sup> A voice cries:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;  
make straight in the desert a highway for our  
God. <sup>4</sup> Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.



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<sup>5</sup> And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
and all flesh shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

<sup>6</sup> A voice says, “Cry!”

And I said, “What shall I cry?”

All flesh is grass,  
and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.



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<sup>7</sup> The grass withers, the flower fades  
when the breath of the LORD blows on it;  
surely the people are grass.

<sup>8</sup> The grass withers, the flower fades,  
but the word of our God will stand forever.





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- Bumps and valleys removed are our preparations to meet with God
- How are you doing with this?
- We must walk this road passionately because it's passing quickly
- It's God's pleasure that life is fleeting
- Be comforted ~ There is still time to live passionately for God's glory!



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## Joel 2:25~26

<sup>25</sup> I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent among you.

<sup>26</sup> “You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.



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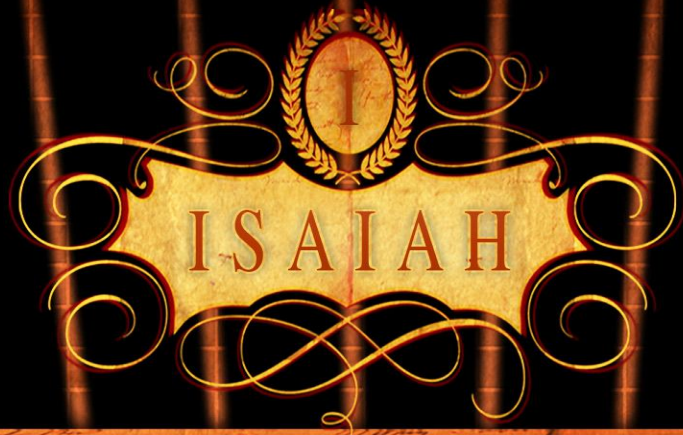
## Isaiah 40:9-10

<sup>9</sup> Go on up to a high mountain,  
O Zion, herald of good news;  
lift up your voice with strength,  
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;  
lift it up, fear not;  
say to the cities of Judah,  
“Behold your God!”



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<sup>10</sup> Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might,  
and his arm rules for him;  
behold, his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him.



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- All of us have some pulpit, some place of influence
- Don't people need this message right now?
- Passionately tell others about Christ



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## Isaiah 40:11 NASB

<sup>11</sup> He will tend his flock like a shepherd;  
he will gather the lambs in his arms;  
he will carry them in his bosom,  
and gently lead those that are with young.



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- Part of our comfort is that Christ is our Shepherd
- He carries us next to His heart
- Christ is the Good Shepherd, Great shepherd, and Chief Shepherd
- Passionately live for God's glory
- Like Christ is your Shepherd
- Like you are not alone in the fields of life



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- Verses 12-26 tell us that God is greater than anything
- Creation (v. 12)
- Man's wisdom (vv. 13-14)
- All nations (vv. 15-17)
- Anything you can worship (vv. 18-20)





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- Where do you turn for comfort? What's the greatest thing you can think of?
- It's a shadow of the great comfort that comes from a great God



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## Isaiah 40:21-26 NASB

<sup>21</sup> Do you not know? Do you not hear?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? <sup>22</sup> It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in;



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<sup>23</sup> who brings princes to nothing,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

<sup>24</sup> Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows on them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

<sup>25</sup> To whom then will you compare me,  
that I should be like him? says the Holy One.



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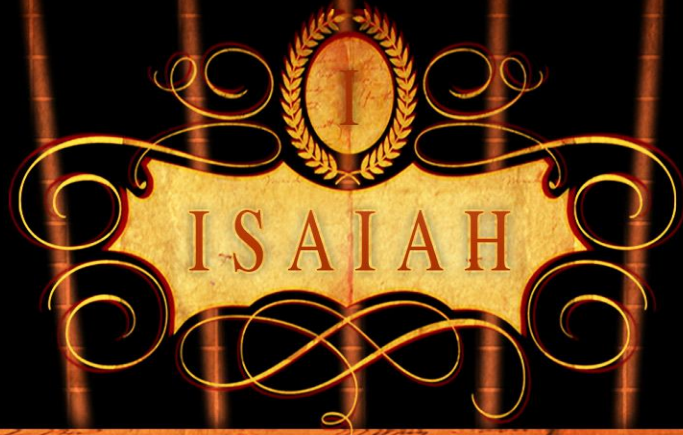
<sup>26</sup> Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
who created these?

He who brings out their host by number,  
calling them all by name,  
by the greatness of his might,  
and because he is strong in power  
not one is missing.



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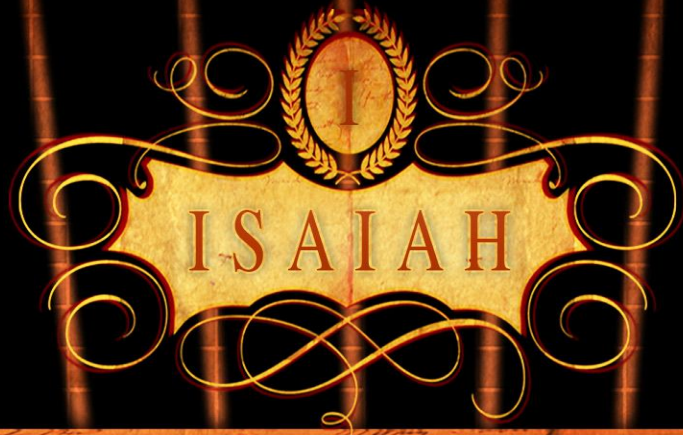
- 2 things about God's greatness:
- God is good & God is powerful
- How good is God?
- How powerful is God?



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## Jude 1:24

<sup>24</sup> Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy,



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- Live passionately for the glory of God who is good and powerful in your life



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## Isaiah 40:27-28 NASB

<sup>27</sup> Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,  
“My way is hidden from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God”?

<sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.





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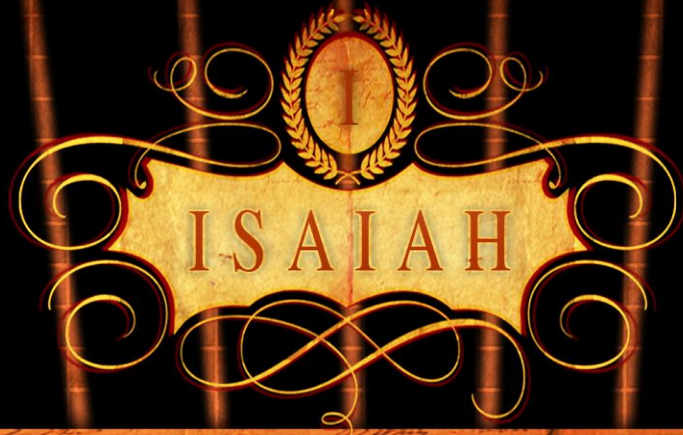
- Have you ever thought, “God doesn't know, doesn't care, can't do....”
- You can't believe that God is all-powerful then live like He can't do anything
- God doesn't tire or become weary and has enough to give you!
- Live passionately for God's glory because He works tirelessly to strengthen you



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## Isaiah 40:29-31 NASB

<sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint,  
and to him who has no might he increases  
strength. <sup>30</sup> Even youths shall faint and be weary,  
and young men shall fall exhausted;  
<sup>31</sup> but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their  
strength; they shall mount up with wings like  
eagles; they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint.



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- Live passionately for God's glory when you can't go on any further
- His strength comes when you are at your low point
- It comes to the one who waits; don't panic; could mean do nothing



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- Wait = Hope and watch until an appointment shows up
- Christ is your Shepherd and He has taken you to this low point to build you into a soaring Christian