God's Great Promises May Sermon Series

The Promise of Peace Lesson One

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Isaiah 43:1-3

Scripture Lesson

But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you. For I am the LORD your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I gave Egypt for your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in your place.

I. THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ADDRESSED

Isaiah 43:1

a. We Are His By Creation.

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Colossians 1:16 (NKJV), For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

Ephesians 2:10 (NKJV), For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

John 1:3 (NKJV), all things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

Jeremiah 1:5 (NKJV), "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; Before you were born, I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations."

b. We Are His By Redemption.

Isaiah 43:1

1 Peter 1:18-19 (NKJV), knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

I Corinthians 6:19-21 (NKJV), or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore, glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

c. We Are His By Election.

Isaiah 43:1

John 15:16 (NKJV), You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.

II. THE PATHWAY THEY ARE TRAVELLING

Isaiah 43:2

Deuteronomy 8:2-3 (NKJV), and you shall remember that the Lord your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not.

No matter the test, God has built you to handle life's challenges.

1 Peter 4:12-13 (NKJV), Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

1. IT IS A DIVINELY ORDERED PATH.

2. IT IS A VERY DIFFICULT PATH.

3. IT IS OFTEN A DANGEROUS PATH.

"When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you."

Isaiah 43:2 (NLT)

The depth of your trial.

"When you go through deep waters"

The turbulence of your trial.

"Through rivers of difficulty"

"You may not look like much when you get there, but you're going to make it."

The intensity of your trial.

"You will go through the fire"

III. THE PROMISE THAT IS MADE TO THEM

1. He Promises The Security Of His Property

"Fear not...you are mine"

2. He promises the adequacy of His protection.

"They shall not overflow you."

3. He Promises The Constancy Of His Presence.

"I will be with you."

Daniel 3:21-25 (NKJV), Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king." "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God." God will be there when the fire gets hot!

Daniel 3:17 (NKJV), "Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand O king."

Psalm 66:10-12 (NKJV), For You, O God, have tested us; You have refined us as silver is refined. You brought us into the net; You laid affliction on our backs. You have caused men to ride over our heads; We went through fire and through water; But You brought us out to rich fulfillment.