



Isaiah: Discovering Assurance Through Prophecies about Your Mighty King



Isa 40:1 "Comfort, yes, comfort My people!"
Says your God.

Isa 40:2 "Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and
cry out to her, That her warfare is ended,
That her iniquity is pardoned; For she has
received from the LORD's hand Double for all
her sins."

Isa 40:3 The voice of one crying in the
wilderness: "Prepare the way of the LORD;
Make straight in the desert A highway for our
God.



FIRST VOICE

- Isa 40:3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the LORD; Make straight in the desert A highway for our God.

SECOND VOICE

- Isa 40:6 The voice said, "Cry out!" And he said, "What shall I cry?" "All flesh is grass, And all its loveliness is like the flower of the field.

THIRD VOICE

- Isa 40:9 O Zion, You who bring good tidings, Get up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, You who bring good tidings, Lift up your voice with strength, Lift it up, be not afraid; Say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!"



He will
reward, work,
feed, gather,
carry, and
gently lead
his flock.

v. 10-11



The Fourfold Old Testament Doctrine of God the Creator

GOD :

- 1) Originates everything.
- 2) Maintains everything in existence.
- 3) Controls everything in operation.
- 4) Directs everything to the end he appoints.

- J. A. Motyer



Isaiah 40:18 “To whom then will you liken God? Or what likeness will you compare to Him?”

Isaiah 40:19 The workman molds an image; The goldsmith overspreads it with gold; And the silversmith casts silver chains;

Isaiah 40:20 Whoever is too impoverished for such a contribution chooses a tree that will not rot; He seeks for himself a skillful workman to prepare a carved image that will not totter.”



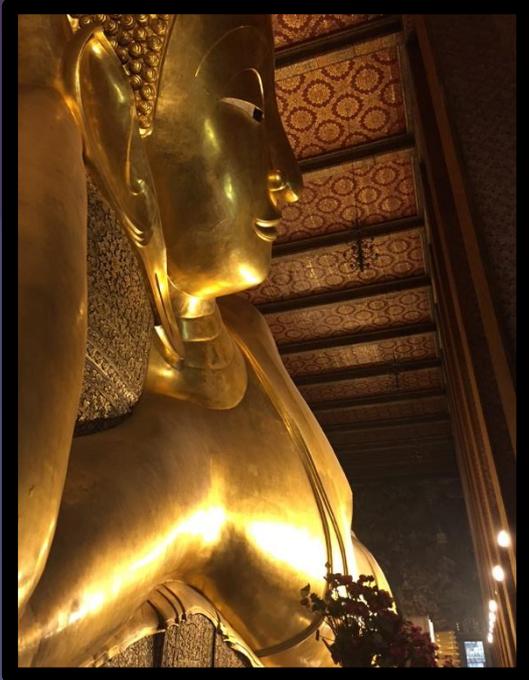
a **Vodun (Voodoo)** shrine,
specifically one dedicated
to **Legba**, a spirit typically
found in West Africa. Togo



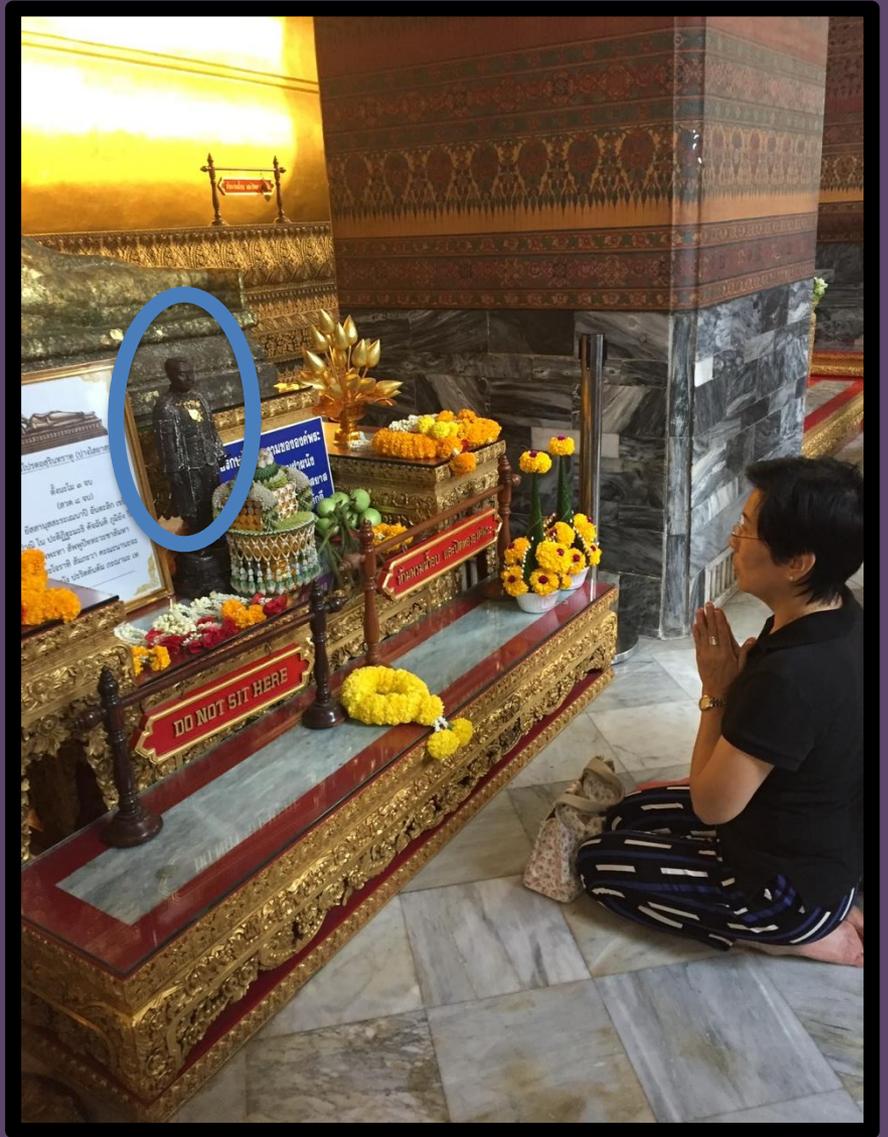
Hanuman is the revered Thai
monkey god, central to Thai
culture. Derived from the
Hindu Ramayana



Thailand



150 foot long
reclining
Buddha



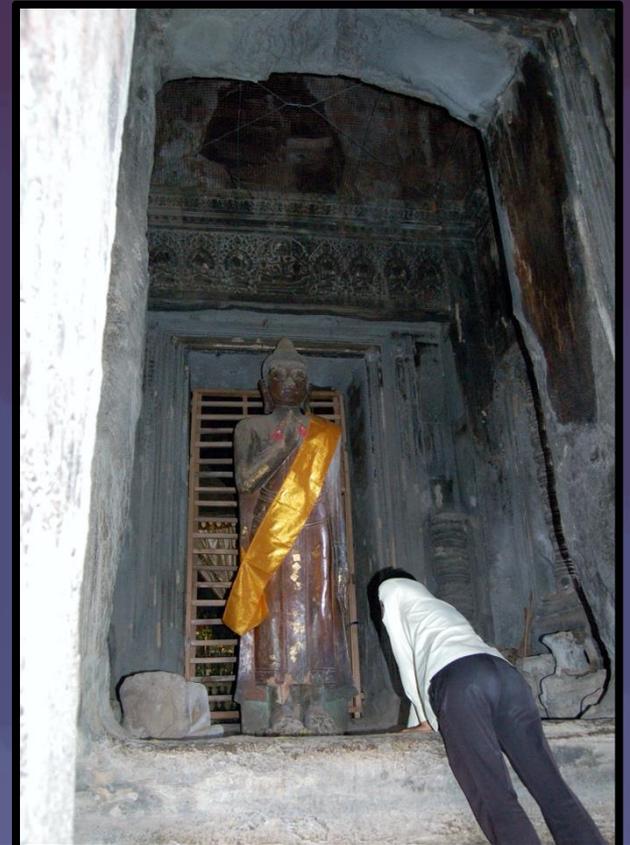
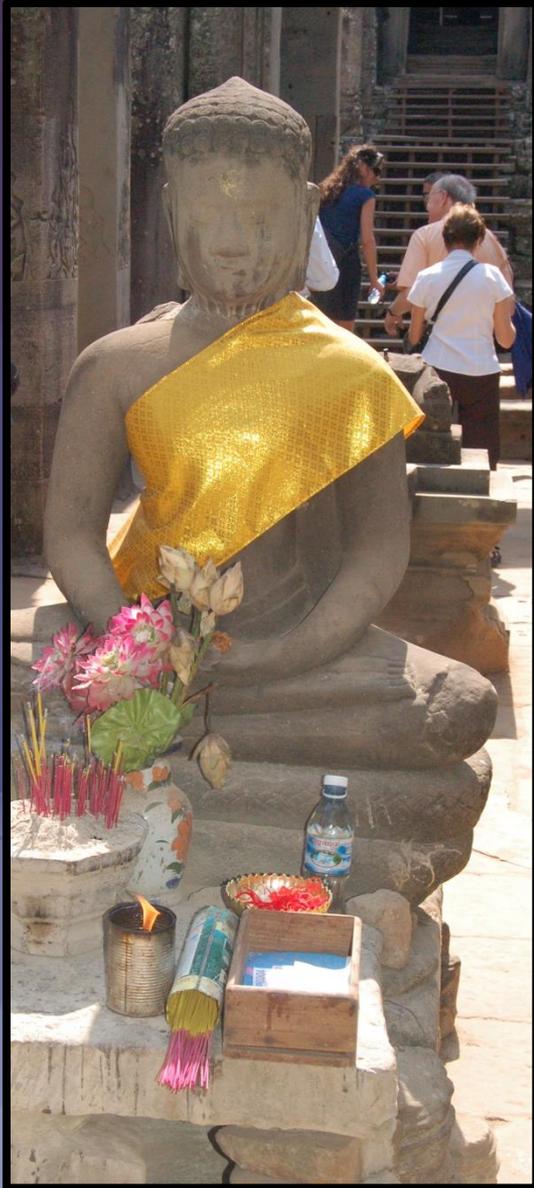
Buddha in Thailand



Angkor Wat is a Buddhist temple complex and the largest religious complex in the world. It started as a Hindu temple dedicated to Vishnu, one of 330 million Hindu gods.

Angkor Thom in Cambodia. It was built as a state temple by the Mahayana Buddhist King Jayavarman VII in the late 12th or early 13th century.





4 views of people bowing down to idols or giving gifts. Cambodia



Buddhist
Schwedagon
Pagoda in
Myanmar



Isaiah 40:26 Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, By the greatness of His might And the strength of His power; Not one is missing.

Isaiah 40:27 Why do you say, O Jacob, And speak, O Israel: "My way is hidden from the LORD, And my just claim is passed over by my God"?

Isaiah 40:28 Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.



Isaiah 40:29 He gives power to the weak,
And to *those who have* no might He increases
strength.

Isaiah 40:30 Even the youths shall faint and
be weary, And the young men shall utterly
fall,

Isaiah 40:31 But those who wait on 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.



"God ... allows suffering so that we might learn what it means to depend on Him, not on our own strength and resources."

-Chuck Swindoll