

The Book of ISAIAH Chapters 43 – 45 "SALVATION—REDEMPTION—PROPHECY!"

ISAIAH - "Salvation of the LORD"

Date: 740 – 680 B.C.

Theme: "Salvation" - Chapters 1 - 39 declares man's need of salvation!

Chapters 40 – 66 reveals God's provision for salvation!

Chapter 43- "ISRAEL'S SALVATION & RESTORATION"

(v1-7) Israel's Salvation

(v8-13) Israel is God's Witness not the "Watchtower"

(v14-21) Babylon defeated

(v22-28) Israel's sin & salvation

Chapter 44- "GOD'S SPIRIT, MAN'S IDOLS, ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION"

(v1-5) God's promise of His Spirit

(v6-8) "Besides me there is no God

(v9-20) Man's Idols

(v21-27) Israel's Redemption

(v28) Prophecy of Cyrus

(*Cyrus...My shepherd.* The prophecy—given a century and a half before Cyrus lived and became king of Persia—predicted God's use of the Persian king to gather the faithful remnant of Israel back to the Land. In this role, Cyrus prefigured the Lord's Servant, who will shepherd the sheep of Israel in their final regathering (Mic. 5:4). The title "shepherd" applied to kings as leaders of God's people (2 Sam. 5:2; Jer. 3:15). In Acts 13:22, Paul compares David to the standard of Cyrus' obedience. Jerusalem...the temple. In 538 B.C. Cyrus decreed the rebuilding of the temple (Ezra 1:1, 2; 6:3), thus fulfilling Isaiah's prophecy. The returning Jews completed the work in 516 B.C. (Ezra 6:15).)

Chapter 45- "The Sure Word of Prophecy"

(v1-4) Cyrus under the hand of God!

Ezra 1:1-4 - Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying, 2 Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD God of heaven has given me. And He has commanded me to build Him a house at Jerusalem which is in Judah. 3 Who is among you of all His people? May his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem which is in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God of Israel (He is God), which is in Jerusalem. 4 And whoever is left in any place where he dwells, let the men of his place help him with silver and gold, with goods and livestock, besides the freewill offerings for the house of God which is in Jerusalem.

(v5-13) I am the LORD, there is no other!

(v14-25) Every knee shall bow!