

## Isaiah 41

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**41** Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew their strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to judgment. (Be quiet, you ways of the world. Let man seek God and approach Him for wisdom, morals, righteousness and understanding)

<sup>2</sup>Who raised up the righteous man from the east, called him to his foot, gave the nations before him, and made him rule over kings? he gave them as the dust to his sword, and as driven stubble to his bow. (This was about Cyrus, then; and in the future, it will be the Elect) (God named Cyrus before he was born and said that he would free Israel from bondage after 70 years in Babylon)

<sup>3</sup>He pursued them, and passed safely; even by the way that he had not gone with his feet.

<sup>4</sup>Who hath wrought and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD, the first, and with the last; I am he. (The beginning – the First Age; the last – the Third Age or the Eternity; God is the Alpha and the Omega) see 2Peter-3, see Revelation-1

<sup>5</sup>The isles saw it, and feared; the ends of the earth were afraid, drew near, and came. (The distant countries saw God's protection of Israel. God used Cyrus to free them)

<sup>6</sup>They helped every one his neighbour; and every one said to his brother, Be of good courage.

<sup>7</sup>So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheth with the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, It is ready for the soldering: and he fastened it with nails, that it should not be moved. (The idol had to be nailed down so that it wouldn't fall over; God is mocking the heathen craftsmen who make gods out of gold, and then worship them)

<sup>8</sup>But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend. (Israel worshipped God, not idols)

<sup>9</sup>Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away. (When Israel migrated over

the Caucasus Mountains and became known as Caucasians, God never lost a single one of them. HE will gather them back together at the end of this Age)

<sup>10</sup> Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness. (strengthen= to make alert and to give courage to) (Quite a promise from God, Himself, for those who love and follow Him)

<sup>11</sup> Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish. (God protects His people from all enemies)

<sup>12</sup> Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought. (Those who insist on being against the will of God won't see the eternity)

<sup>13</sup> For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

<sup>14</sup> Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel. (worm- a term utilized here to mean a state of weaknesses in the flesh)

<sup>15</sup> Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaff. (mountains- symbolic for nations) (Threshing separates the grain from the chaff – the good from the wicked) (God will use His Elect to testify before antichrist in the end days)

<sup>16</sup> Thou shalt fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, and shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel. (Carried away by the wind, as the chaff on a threshing floor)

<sup>17</sup> When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. (God provides for those that love Him) (God proved that HE could do that when He provided for the 12 tribes as they went through the desert for 40 years)

<sup>18</sup> I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water. (Spiritually, the waters are the truth of God's teachings and blessings. Jesus is the living water)

<sup>19</sup> I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together: (The desert will be fertile)

<sup>20</sup> That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it. (God created all nature. HE can do with it as He pleases)

<sup>21</sup> Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong reasons, saith the King of Jacob. (If you think god the Creator and Protector is in error, make your case against Him and present it – they can't)

<sup>22</sup> Let them bring them forth, and shew us what shall happen: let them shew the former things, what they be, that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come. (Tell us about the First Age; they can't. Tell us why it ended; they can't. Prophecy the future; they can't)

<sup>23</sup> Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye are gods: yea, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold it together. (Show us the things that will come in the next Age; they can't)

<sup>24</sup> Behold, ye are of nothing, and your work of nought: an abomination is he that chooseth you. (People know nothing when compared to what God knows. These people who ignore God are prime targets for deception by antichrist)

(The so-called scholars who teach children that there is no God will be responsible for the souls that they caused to err against God)

<sup>25</sup> I have raised up one from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as upon mortar, and as the potter treadeth clay. (This is thought to be Cyrus, from Medial-Persia. God will use him to punish the Babylonians for having abused them. God will use Cyrus to free Judah to return to their land. Some will return but most <the 10 northern tribes> will travel over the Caucasus Mountains and become

known in Europe as Caucasians. God made this prophecy 137 years before Cyrus was even born) (Esra-1:2-3 Cyrus will call upon the name of God)

<sup>26</sup> Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and beforetime, that we may say, He is righteous? yea, there is none that sheweth, yea, there is none that declareth, yea, there is none that heareth your words. (People refuse to listen when you prove God's existence through the many prophecies that came true)

<sup>27</sup> The first shall say to Zion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings.

<sup>28</sup> For I beheld, and there was no man; even among them, and there was no counsellor, that, when I asked of them, could answer a word.

<sup>29</sup> Behold, they are all vanity; their works are nothing: their molten images are wind and confusion. (Their so-called wise men are all fakes and wind bags)