

**ISAIAH 40**

ISAIAH 40:1

1 ¶ Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

ISAIAH 40:2

2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.

ISAIAH 40:3

3 ¶ The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

ISAIAH 40:4

4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain:

ISAIAH 40:5

5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see *it* together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

ISAIAH 40:6

6 The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh *is* grass, and all the goodness thereof *is* as the flower of the field:

ISAIAH 40:7

7 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people *is* grass.

ISAIAH 40:8

8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

ISAIAH 40:9

9 ¶ O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift *it* up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

ISAIAH 40:10

10 Behold, the Lord GOD will come with strong *hand*, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward *is* with him, and his work before him.

## ISAIAH 40:11

11 He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry *them* in his bosom, *and* shall gently lead those that are with young.

## ISAIAH 40:12

12 ¶ Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

## ISAIAH 40:13

13 Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or *being* his counsellor hath taught him?

## ISAIAH 40:14

14 With whom took he counsel, and *who* instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?

## ISAIAH 40:15

15 Behold, the nations *are* as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.

## ISAIAH 40:16

16 And Lebanon *is* not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt offering.

## ISAIAH 40:17

17 All nations before him *are* as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.

## ISAIAH 40:18

18 ¶ To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him?

## ISAIAH 40:19

19 The workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold, and casteth silver chains.

## ISAIAH 40:20

20 He that *is* so impoverished that he hath no oblation chooseth a tree *that* will not rot; he seeketh unto him a cunning workman to prepare a graven image, *that* shall not be moved.

## ISAIAH 40:21

21 Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

ISAIAH 40:22

22 *It is* he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof *are* as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

ISAIAH 40:23

23 That bringeth the princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity.

ISAIAH 40:24

24 Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take them away as stubble.

ISAIAH 40:25

25 To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One.

ISAIAH 40:26

26 Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these *things*, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that *he is* strong in power; not one faileth.

ISAIAH 40:27

27 ¶ Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and my judgment is passed over from my God?

ISAIAH 40:28

28 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his understanding.

ISAIAH 40:29

29 He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.

ISAIAH 40:30

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

ISAIAH 40:31

31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not

faint.