

## ISAIAH 48

All Poetry

Verse 1

**Hear this, O House of Jacob:**

(and) Which are called by the name of Israel,  
Which are come forth out of the waters of Judah.  
(Though you stem from the lineage of Judah)

(and) Which swear by the name of the Lord,  
Which make mention of the God of Israel.

(but) Not in truth,  
Nor in righteousness.

(1 Nephi 20:1: Hearken and hear this, O house of Jacob, who are called by the name of Israel, and are come forth out of the waters of Judah, **or out of the waters of baptism**, who swear in the name of the Lord, and make mention of the God of Israel, yet they swear not in truth nor in righteousness...“House of Jacob” - Refers to those of Judah and Israel **and** those who are converted by baptism and covenant. UI Pg. 416 - See many small changes in this chapter compared to 1 Nephi 20)

Verse 2

(For) They <sup>(who)</sup> call themselves of the Holy City,  
(and) They <sup>(who)</sup> stay themselves upon the God of Israel, the Lord  
of Hosts is his name.

Verse 3

I have declared the former things from the beginning and they  
went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them,  
I did them suddenly, and they came to pass.

Verse 4

**Because I knew** that thou art obstinate, and thy neck is an  
iron sinew and thy brow brass,

Verse 5

**I have** even from the beginning declared it to thee before it  
came to pass. I shewed it thee, lest thou shouldst say,  
“Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and  
my molten image, hath commanded them.”

Verse 6

**Thou hast heard, and see all this and will not ye declare it:**

I have shewed thee new things from this time, even hidden  
things, and thou didst not know them.

Verse 7

They are created now, and not from the beginning, even before  
the day when thou heardest them not, lest thou  
shouldst say, “Behold, I knew them.”

Verse 8

Yea, thou heardest not,  
Yea, thou knewest not.

**Yea, from that time that thine ear was not opened:**

(For) I knew that thou wouldst deal very treacherously,  
(and) I knew that thou wast called a transgressor from the womb.

Verse 9 For my name's sake will I defer mine anger,  
(and) For my praise will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.

Verse 10 Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver,  
I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction.

Verse 11 For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I do it,  
for how should my name be polluted?  
(and) I will not give my glory unto another.

Verse 12 **Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called:**

I am he, I <sup>(was at)</sup> the first,  
I <sup>(am he), (I am)</sup> also <sup>(at)</sup> the last!

Verse 13 Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth,  
(and) My right hand <sup>(hand of authority)</sup> hath spanned the heavens <sup>(and)</sup>  
when I call unto them, they stand up together.

Verse 14 **All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear:**

Which among them hath declared these things?  
The Lord hath loved him.

(and) He will do his pleasure on Babylon,  
His arm shall be on the Chaldeans.

Verse 15 I, even I, have spoken,  
(Yea) I have called him,  
  
(and) I have brought him,  
I shall make his way prosperous.

(God hath sent forth a servant to declare his word unto his covenant people. That servant may be Isaiah, [Cyrus], Jesus, another prophet, or perhaps several prophets, each in turn. UI Pg. 418 – Some Bible Translations add “Cyrus” specifically for “him”)

Verse 16

**Come ye near unto me, hear ye this:**

I have not spoken in secret from the beginning, from the time  
that *it* was, there *am I*,  
(and) Now the Lord God, and his Spirit, hath sent me.

(Here we see a time when Jehovah (Christ) speaks of God the Father (Elohim) sending him by the Spirit (Holy Ghost) to speak the hidden things of the kingdom from the beginning of time. It is one of the few times in scripture that that we see a testament of all members of the Godhead.)

Verse 17

**Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:**

I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit,  
I am the Lord thy God which leadeth thee by the way that thou  
shouldest go.

Verse 18

**O, that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments:**

(and) Then had thy peace been as a river,  
Then had thy righteousness been as the waves of the sea.

Verse 19

Thy seed also had been as the sand and the offspring of thy  
bowels like the gravel thereof,  
Thy name should not have been cut off nor destroyed  
from before me.

Verse 20

Go ye forth of Babylon!  
Flee from the Chaldeans!

(New Exodus & Wandering in the Wilderness)

With a voice of singing declare ye,  
Tell this!

Utter it even to the end of the earth,  
Say ye, "The Lord hath redeemed his servant Jacob!"

Verse 21 (And)

**They thirsted not when he led them from the deserts:**

He caused waters to flow out of the rock for them,  
He clave the rock also and the water gushed out!

Verse 22

(But):

There is no peace, saith the Lord,  
There is no peace unto the wicked.