

Three Songs of the Savior Isaiah 42, 49 and 50

Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you." Isa 49.7

The Point: God reveals to Isaiah in divine song the mission, incarnation, suffering, and victory of His chosen servant.

The Question: How do we know these songs are echoes of Jesus?

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Isaiah 49.1-13

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Isa 49.10 Rev 7.16 John 1.1-13

Isaiah 50.4-9 He offers his back for beating and his face for their spit.

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Isa 50.5 Phil 2.8; Heb 5.8, 10.7

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"Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word; Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard." These servant songs are like prequels to the final story. I enjoy well-written prequels; they answer questions the mind has about the last story. That is one of the beauties of the Old Testament.

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This chosen servant of the LORD is the one who will bring justice to humanity, not just to the Jews but to all the sons of Adam. Jesus is the new covenant.

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The light that came into the world

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I thought of calling this message: Three echoes of Jesus. What can an echo tell you? An echo can give a distance, location, promise, and warning. It reminds me of the song "Give Me the Bible" and the song, Blessed Assurance.