the servant is called to be the instrument through whom all the nations will be blessed, to bring a light to the Gentiles, to carry the message of salvation to the ends of the earth. How can Israel do it? Israel is ...3... is in bonds, .....3....how can Israel be God's servant? Well, that's the problem. How can Israel, can someone represent Israel? Can some part of Israel? Can someone who is of Israel... $3\frac{1}{4}$ ....the Israel of God to do the work of the church? What is the answer to these? Well, in 48 we have the servant speaking.

"Hear ye this, 0 house of Jacob, which are called by the name of Israel, and **xem** are come forth out of the waters of Judah,  $\not$  ...but not in truth, nore in righteousness." They are people which are God's people, and yet they are not following him with their whole lives. "They **xike** call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon the God of Israel..." But they are not calling Him with their whole heart. v.3, omniscience, "I have declared the former things from the beginning....and they came to pass." Why ...4....God predict? v.4, "Because I knew that thou are obstinate, and thy neck is an iron sinew, and thy brow brass....before ig came to pass I showed it thee." Why didst thou do this? "Lest thou shouldst say, Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, ...hath commanded them." He knew the sinfulness of the heart of Israel. And so He made this prediction.... $4\frac{1}{2}$ ......comfort them b¢y showing them his omnipotence by his omniscience, but to prevent them from falling into the trap of saying, Oh, well, how do we know that God ..... $4\frac{1}{2}$ ......

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