

SEMINAR #3

Verse 17: "Awake! awake! stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the hand of the Lord the cup of his fury: thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, and wrung them out." He is saying that He is going to deliver His people from this terrible conqueror. Now, 52:2: "Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion." And then verses 9 to 12: " reveals that... how the king Cyrus was to decree that they should be given the vessels from the temple that Nebuchadnezzar had carried out to Babylon, that they should be given to the Jews to take them back to Palestine. Verses 9 through 12: "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean thing; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the Lord. For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: for the Lord will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your reward." He says, you are not going to have to ~~away~~ seal away by night, trying to get away from these Babylonians. He says, God is going to give ~~them~~ you a rescue through Cyrus's conquest of Babylon, giving him power to make it easy for them to go back. So, you see these few of the many passages that can be cited ~~that~~ that show the great emphasis, in this section of 40 through 56, upon the fact that God is going to deliver His people from the Babylonian exile, and bring them back to Jerusalem. _____ that would ~~have~~ have ~~been~~ (10.50) tremendously urgent than the people of Isaiah. The godly people nearly