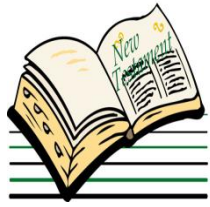


Sermon Notes



Title: "The Gospel in Isaiah: Restoration in an Unlikely Way"

Text: Isaiah 44:23-28

Theme: Someone unexpected would bring about deliverance from Babylon. In a similar way, God calls you to believe the Word confirmed by His servants, the Word that Christ has come and that His death on the cross and His resurrection from the grave have put an end to your real exile.

I. A Summons to _____ about God's Salvation (23)

II. God Brings All Things into _____ (24)

III. God Makes _____ of All Who Rely on Anything But His _____ to Order Their _____ (25-27)

IV. The LORD _____ a Most _____
_____ to Deliver His People (28)

V. Applications

A. The _____ proclamation God has made centers on the _____ of His _____.

B. God delivers us in a _____ and by a _____ that none of us would ever have _____.

Next Week Read: Isaiah 49:1-13

Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:

1. Who/what are commanded to sing, shout, and break into singing? Why? (v. 23)?
2. How is the LORD described in this passage (v. 24)?
3. What will become of the predictions of the wise of the earth (v. 25)?
4. What will become of those who speak in the name of the LORD (v. 26a)?
5. What is Yahweh's long-term purpose for Israel (v. 26b)?
6. Who will be the human instrument to deliver Israel from bondage to Babylon (v. 28a)?
7. What does God call this person (v. 28a)?
8. What will this person do for Israel (v. 28b)?
9. Why would this announcement be important to Israel?
10. What is the fulfillment of the announcement in this passage?
11. Is the announcement of the coming of Christ the most important declaration of all time? Why or why not?
12. How was the coming of and the person of Christ Jesus an unlikely event?