

LIGHT FOR LIFE

EXPLORING GOD-BREATHED GLORY

The
HOLY

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For with you is the fountain of **life**;
in your light do we see **light**.

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Psalm 36:9

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ISAIAH

Author: Isaiah

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Canon: Fifth in the *Nevi'im*
First of the Latter Prophets

Trust the Holy One



TITLE

Hebrew	ישעיה	Isaiah
Greek	ΗΣΑΙΑΣ	Isaiah
Latin	LIBER ISAIÆ PROPHETÆ	Book of the Prophet Isaiah

BOOKS OF TANAKH

TORAH	NEVI'IM	KETUVIM		
Genesis	Former	Emet		
Exodus			Joshua	Psalms
Leviticus			Judges	Job
Numbers			Samuel	Proverbs
Deuteronomy	Latter	Megillot		
			Kings	Ruth
			Isaiah	Song of Songs
			Jeremiah	Ecclesiastes
			Ezekiel	Lamentations
	The Twelve	Esther		
		Daniel		
		Ezra-Nehemiah		
		Chronicles		

PURPOSE

To reveal the grace and glory of the only holy God, calling the rebellious to account and the repentant to comfort through trust that draws near to the Holy One.



I am the LORD, your Holy One,
the Creator of Israel, your King.



ISAIAH 43:15



All these things my hand has made, and so all these things
came to be, declares the LORD.
But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble
and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.



ISAIAH 66:2

OVERVIEW

- A Preliminary hearing: *indicting, pleading, prophesying* (1:2—12:6)
 - B Denouncing the **pride of the nations** (13:1—27:13)
 - C Denouncing *trust in idols* (28:1—35:10)
 - D Historical narrative: **supremacy of God** (36:1—39:8)
 - C' God's *supremacy over idols* (40:1—48:22)
 - B' Announcing the **humility of the Servant** (49:1—57:21)
- A' Closing arguments: *indicting, pleading, prophesying* (58:1—66:24)

STRUCTURE



CONDEMNING

1

1:2—12:6	13:1—27:13	28:1—35:10
Oracles concerning Jerusalem, Judah, and Israel's judgment and restoration	Oracles concerning the nations judgment and restoration	The folly of trusting in nations instead of YHWH

a

b

c

CONDEMNING

1

a

1:2	2:1	5:1	6:1	7:1, 9:8
Sin and Experience (Case against the people)	Sin and Sovereignty (Coming judgment and restoration)	Sin and Grace (Exile of Israel)	Encounter with the Holy One	The King and People (Holy Judgment and Coming Messiah)

The local kingdom

CONDEMNING

1

b

13:1 – 23:18

Oracles concerning the nations
(Babylon, Assyria, Philistia, Moab, Damascus,
Samaria, Ethiopia, Egypt, Edom, Arabia,
Jerusalem, Tyre)

24:1 – 27:13

Prophecies concerning the
“Day of the Lord”
Judgment and Restoration of the Earth

The **universal** kingdom

CONDEMNING

1

c

28:1	28:14	30:1	32:1	33:1	34:1	35:1
Ephraim	Ariel (Jerusalem)	Egypt	Coming King	Assyria	Nations	Coming Kingdom

The **transcendent** kingdom
Human faithlessness and the faithfulness of God

CONNECTING

2

36:1 – 37:38	38:1 – 39:8
Trial and Faith of Hezekiah	Trial and Folly of Hezekiah

COMFORTING

3

40:1 – 48:22	49:1 – 57:21	58:1 – 66:24
Deliverance	Deliverer	Destinies

THE SERVANT SONG

A – The Servant's Exaltation (52:13-15)

(exaltation and humiliation)

"many" (52:14, 15)

B – The Servant's Humiliation (53:1-3)

(like a shoot, root) – rejected

C – The Servant's Sacrifice (53:4-6)

B' – The Servant's Humiliation (53:7-9)

(like a sheep) – rejected

A' – The Servant's Exaltation (53:10-12)

(exaltation and humiliation)

"many" (53:11, 12)

MAJOR THEMES

1. The HOLINESS of God

a. “The Holy One of Israel”

(cf. 2 Kg 19:22; Ps. 71:22; 78:41; 89:18; Jer. 50:29; 51:5; Ezek. 39:7; 25X – 1:4; 5:19, 24; 10:20; 12:6; 17:7; 29:19; 30:11, 12, 15; 31:1; 37:23; 41:14, 16, 20; 43:3, 14; 45:11; 47:4; 48:17; 49:7; 54:5; 55:5; 60:9, 14)

b. “The Holy One of Jacob” (29:23)

c. “The Holy One” (10:17; 40:25; 43:15; 49:7)

MAJOR THEMES

2. The SINFULNESS of Man

a. Judah

(1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 29, 30, 31, 39)

b. The Sinfulness of the Nations

(10, 13-23, 28, 34)

MAJOR THEMES

3. The SALVATION of God

(11:11-16; 12:1-2; 19:20; 25:9; 33:2, 6; 37:35; 38:20; 43:11-13; 45:17, 22; 49:6; 51:5, 6, 8; 56:1; 59:16, 17; 60:16; 61:10; 63:1, 8)

a. *The Light* (9:2; 42:16; 49:6; 58:8-11; 60:1, 19, 20)

b. *The Child* (7:14; 9:6-7)

c. *The Shoot, Branch* (11:1)

d. *The Stone* (28:16-17; 32:1-2)

e. *The Servant* (42:1-9; 49:1-13; 50:4-11; 52:13-53:12)

f. *The Redeemer of Israel* (41:14; 43:14; 44:16, 24; 47:4; 48:17; 49:7, 26; 54:5, 8; 59:20; 60:16; 63:16)

g. *The Second Exodus* (11:11-16; 40:3-5; 41:17-20; 42:14-16; 43:1-3, 14-21; 48:20-21; 49:8-12; 51:9-10; 52:11-12; 55:12-13; 58:8; 60:2, 19; 63:7-9)

MAJOR THEMES

h. The Second Moses

- 1) Endued with Yahweh's Spirit (42:1; cf. Num. 11:25)
- 2) Will Establish Justice (42:1, 3, 4; cf. Deut. 4:8)
- 3) Called by Yahweh (49:1-2; cf. Ex. 3:1-4:12)
- 4) Will Give a Covenant (42:6; 49:8; cf. Ex. 24:1-11)
- 5) Will Be Rejected (49:7; 50:6; 53:3; cf. Ex. 2:14; Num. 12)
- 6) His Humility (42:2-3; 53:2; cf. Num. 12:3)

MAJOR THEMES

5. The Spirit of God

(11:2; 32:15; 34:16; 40:7, 13; 42:1; 44:3; 48:16; 59:19; 61:1; 63:10, 14)

6. The Sovereignty of God

(41:21-23; 42:9; 43:9-10; 44:6-8; 45:21; 46:9-11; 48:3)

TRANSCENDENT

Fearful

Living / Active

Beautiful

Objective

IMMANENT

Subjective

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Time	Space	Matter	Quality
No beginning Uncreated Unbegotten Imperishable Immortal Timeless	Infinite Boundless Uncircumscribed	Immaterial Incorporeal	Aseity Immensity Passionless Unchangeable Unalterable Unseen

MAGNIFICENTLY INCOMPARABLE

1. In His Power (Magnitude)

- a) Compared to Creation
- b) Compared to Human Wisdom
- c) Compared to Nations

MAGNIFICENTLY INCOMPARABLE

2. In His Person

- a) Compared to Idols
- b) Compared to People
- c) Compared to Rulers

MAGNIFICENTLY INCOMPARABLE

3. In His Pastoral Care

- a) Over the Heavens
- b) Over the Weak
- c) Over the Strong

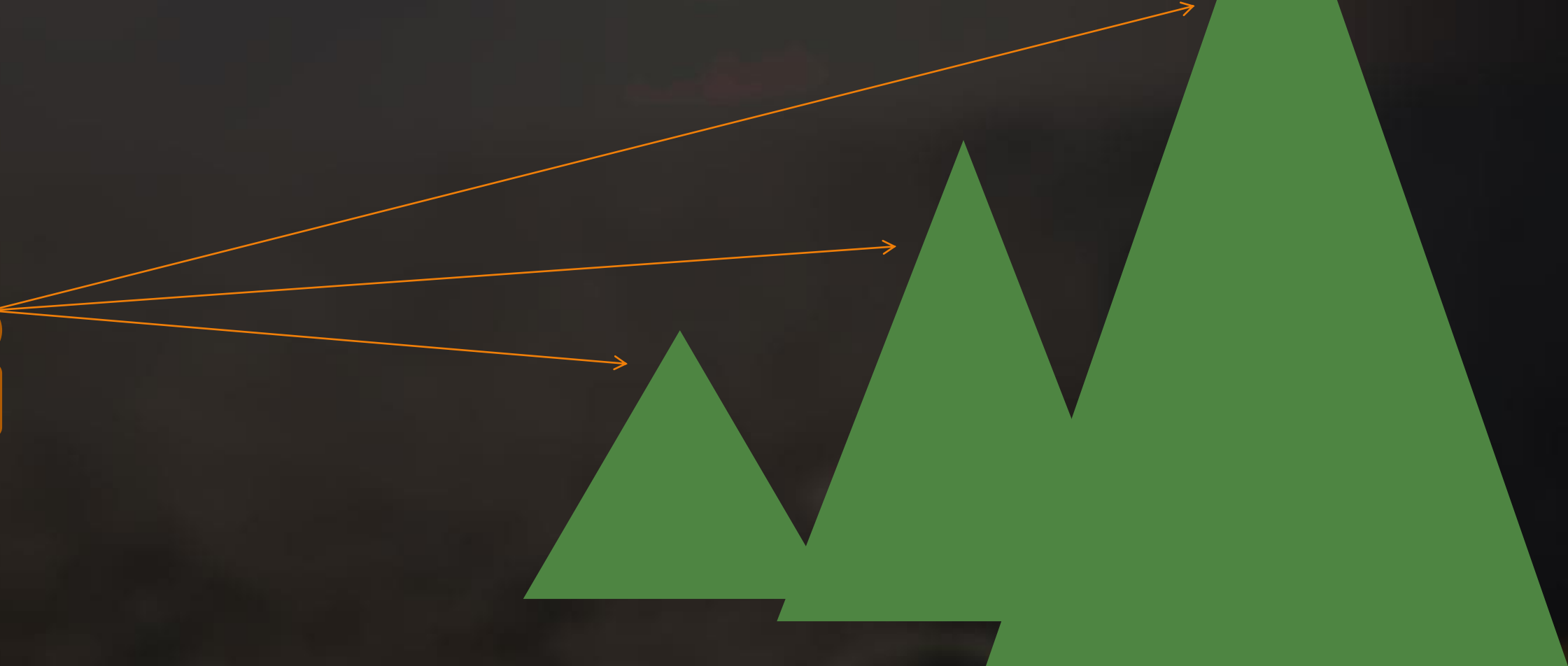
HOLINESS PROMOTES:

1. Promotes humility
2. Promotes sensibility to inability (destroys works)
3. Promotes delight in grace
4. Promotes appreciation for Christ crucified
5. Promotes sanctification
6. Promotes a high view of God
7. Promotes desire for God

PROXIMITY PERSPECTIVE



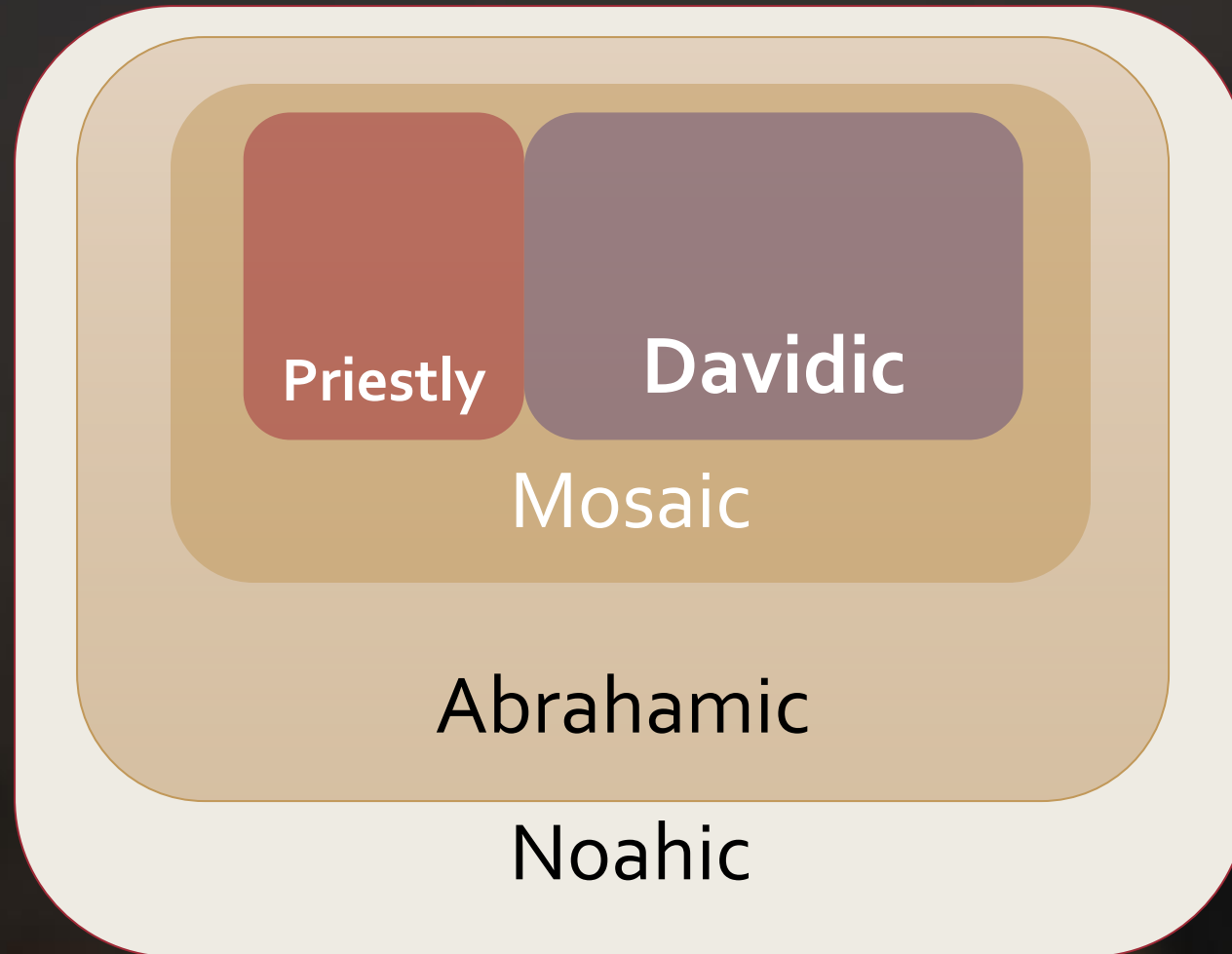
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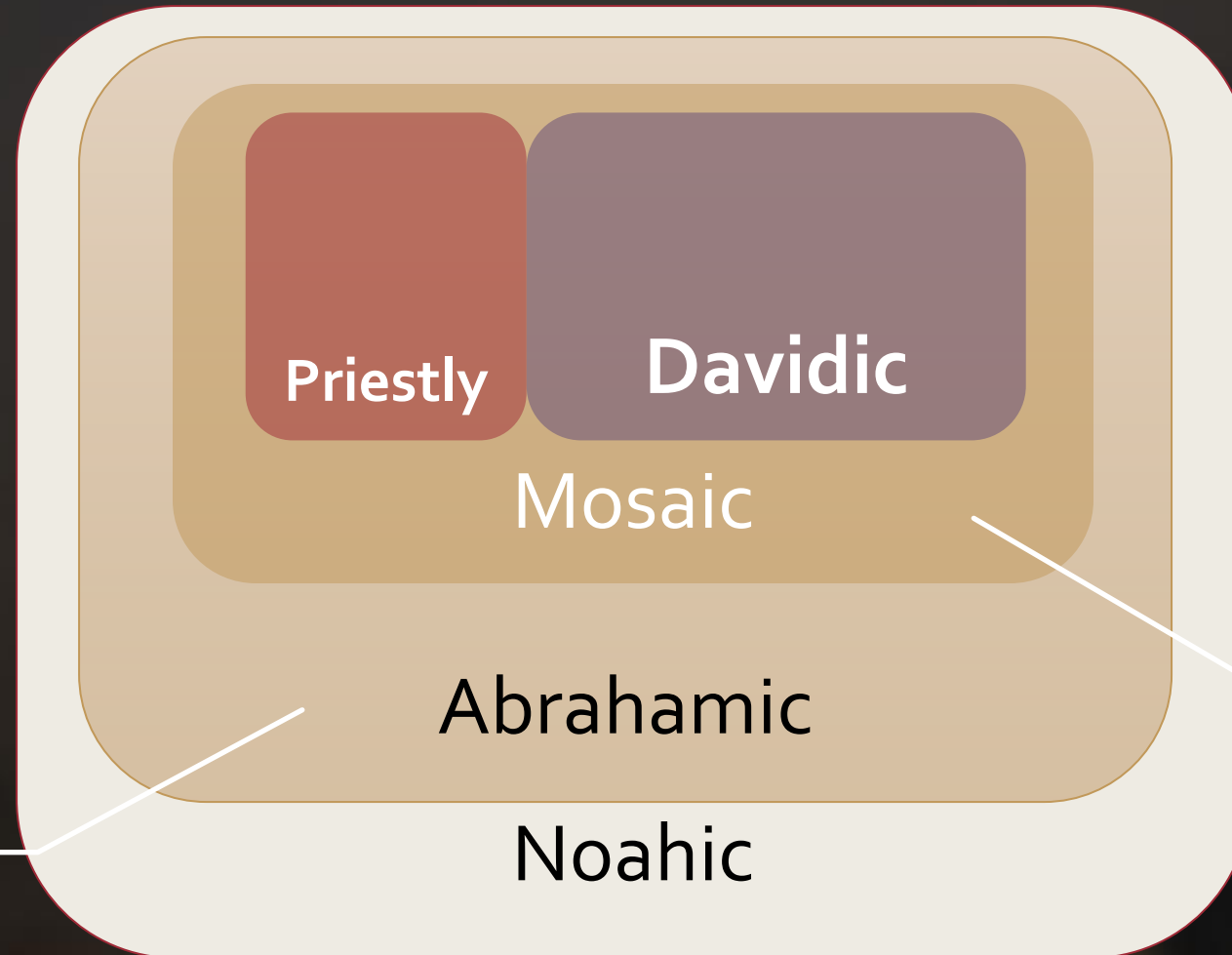
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COVENANTS



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God alone responsible

Israel responsible (blessing/cursing)

THEOLOGY OF REDEMPTION

1. A New David
2. A New Exodus
3. A New Atonement
4. A New Promised Land
5. A New People

