

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11

A Revived Nation!

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- More than 45 Armed Conflicts in the Middle East & North Africa
- More than 35 Armed Conflicts in Africa
- 21 Armed Conflicts in Asia
- 7 Armed Conflicts in Europe
- 6 Armed Conflicts in Latin America

Lead up to Isaiah 40

1. The people of God will be judged for their sin.
2. Hope of a messiah, a king who will restore all things and bring about a new Jerusalem.

Sins of God's People

1. Rebellion against God as His children
2. Wild animals like behavior without understanding
3. Sinful depravity
4. Stubborn persistence to continue rebelling
5. Religious Hypocrisy
6. Sexual Sins
7. Murder
8. Thievery
9. Oppression of the weak
10. Idol worship

Repeated Offense

- Hezekiah
- Manasseh
- Amon
- Josiah
- Jehoahaz
- Jehoiakim
- Jehoiachin
- Zedekiah

Hope of a New King

- Born as a child
- King who will bring restoration and redemption

Authorship

1. One author
2. Multiple authors

(Big Idea) God Revives a Hopeless Nation

God of Comfort

Isaiah 40:1-2

- Comfort, comfort
- End of war and exile
- Promise keeper

The King is Coming

Isaiah 40:3-11

- Prepare the way
 - “The Lord’s road is to be straight, level and free of obstacle, he will arrive without fail, travel without difficulty and be undelayed by hindrances.” - J. Alec Motyer
- Like Grass
- The procession

Our Response: Be Revived!

- Be reminded of your identity in Jesus (2 Cor. 5:17-18)
- Be comforted by Jesus (Isa. 51:12)
- Share the good news of Jesus (Matt. 3: 1-2)