

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 40:31

but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and
not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

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"COMFORT MY PEOPLE"
READ ISAIAH 40:1-41:29

DAY 1 – READ THE LESSON SCRIPTURE

1. Share a thought from the lesson last week.

2.a. Write the memory verse (Isaiah 40:31).

b. When have you used that verse in your life?

DAY 2 – READ Isaiah 40:1-17

3. What was the prophecy and promise to Judah in Jeremiah 29:10-11?

. . . Jeremiah 29:13?

4.a. What was God's concern in Isaiah 40:1-2?

b. What characteristics of God do you see in those verses?

5. Describe what that future plan would include concerning:

a. a voice resounding

b. obstacles removed

c. God's glory revealed

6. According to Matthew 3:1-3 who was the voice of Isaiah 40:3 and what was the message of preparation?

7.a. According to Isaiah 40:6-8, what is
. . . transitory?

. . . permanent?

DAY 2 (Continued) – READ Isaiah 40:1-17

7.b. What difference does it make in your life that “the word of our God stands forever”? Please share.

c. How has in-depth Bible study of God’s Word such as this study helped your spiritual growth?

8.a. How is the Lord described in vs. 10-11?

b. What title does Jesus claim in John 10:11?

9. Isaiah 40:12-17 magnifies the Lord over the nations. Why is He more powerful?
. . . wiser?

DAY 3 – READ Isaiah 40:18-31

10. Mankind may craft idols (vs. 18-20), but God is God! From vs. 21-26 how is evidence of that seen in the affairs of men?
. . . in the heavens?

11. What attributes of God are mentioned in vs. 28?

12.a. Share a time when you have experienced God’s strength in your life as described in vs. 29.

b. Write Psalm 73:26.

13. What do you think are practical ways to tap into the spiritual strength of Isaiah 40:31?

DAY 4 – READ Isaiah 41:1-20

Note: Many commentators identify “one from the East” as Cyrus who would lead the overthrow of Babylon and begin the release of God’s people to return to Jerusalem.

14. What point is made in vs. 2-4 about the success of this conqueror?

DAY 4 (Continued) – READ Isaiah 41:1-20

15. To what do nations under attack turn?

16.a. What did God consider Israel?

 . . . confirm to Israel?

 . . . convey to Israel?

b. From these Scriptures, what does God . . .

 . . . consider you? Romans 8:16

 . . . confirm to you? 1 Peter 2:10

 . . . convey to you? Matthew 18:20

17.a. In Isaiah 41:11-20 briefly what is said about Israel's enemies?

b. . . Israel's rejoicing?

c. . . God's divine hand?

DAY 5 – READ Isaiah 41:21-29

18.a. How did the Lord challenge the false gods?

b. . . condemn them and their followers?

19.a. God had done what the idols could not. What were the "good tidings" given to Israel in Ezekiel 20:44?

b. How does the Lord continue to demonstrate His grace to us today?

20. False gods . . . (fill in Isaiah 41:29) "Their deeds _____."

21. Summarize this lesson: Express why each of the following thoughts is a comfort – the Word of God is permanent (40:8)

the strength of God brings refreshment (40:30-31)

the promise of God is deliverance (41:10)

the prophecy of God is assured hope (41:27)

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: