

# Faith in Action



≡ **Create More Room** ≡

# Isaiah 49:19-23

## *The Passion Translation*

19 “See? Your ruins and devastated places will soon be overcrowded with settlers while your destroyers stay far away.

20 You thought you had lost the children, but you will hear them say, ‘This place is too cramped for me. Make more room for me to live in.’

21 And you will say to yourself, ‘Where in the world did all these children come from? Who birthed these for me? I thought I was bereaved and barren. I thought I was all alone, forgotten in exile— so how did they all get here?’”

22 This is what Lord Yahweh says: “Soon I will raise my hand and signal to the nations, and they will come with your little boys bundled in their arms and your little daughters carried on their shoulders.

23 Kings will be their babysitters and queens their nursing mothers. With faces bowed to the ground, they will lick the dust of your feet. Then you will know that I am Yahweh, and I will never disappoint those who entwine their hearts with mine.”

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# Prophet

**They are men whom God raised as His mouthpiece during the dark days of Israel's history. Their message was for God's people, the Jews!**

# *Deut 18:17-22*

## *New International Version*

17 The Lord said to me: "What they say is good. 18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. 19 I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name. 20 But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death."

21 You may say to yourselves, "How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the Lord?" 22 If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is a message the Lord has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed.

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# Prophetic Books

## A. Major Prophets

- Isaiah
- Jeremiah
- Lamentations
- Ezekiel
- Daniel

**Large volume**

## B. Minor Prophets

- Hosea
- Amos
- Jonah
- Nahum
- Zephaniah
- Zechariah
- Joel
- Obadiah
- Micah
- Habakkuk
- Haggai
- Malachi

**Small volume**

# *Overall backdrop of prophetic books:*

1. The scattering of the Jews among the nations of the world.
2. The coming of the Messiah from the line of David
3. The restoration of God's people to their own land under the coming Messiah.
4. The reign of the Messiah over the whole earth.

# *What did Jesus said about the prophets?*

## **Luke 24:25-27**

25 He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

26 Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"

27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.



# Isaiah 49:18

***God has not forgotten.***

Lift up your head and look all around you. See! All your children, your builders, gather to come back to you. As surely as I live, I make this promise," says Yahweh. "You will wear them all like jewels, as a radiant bride wears her beautiful jewelry!



*Isaiah 49:19*

***Make room, it's too crowded here.***

“See? Your ruins and devastated places will soon be overcrowded with settlers while your destroyers stay far away.

# Matthew 22:8-14


8 “Then the king said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, yet those who had been invited to attend didn’t deserve the honour. 9 Now I want you to go into the streets and alleyways and invite anyone and everyone you find to come and enjoy the wedding feast in honour of my son.’

10 “So the servants went out into the city streets and invited everyone to come to the wedding feast, good and bad alike, until the banquet hall was crammed with people! 11 Now, when the king entered the banquet hall, he looked with glee over all his guests. But then he noticed a guest who was not wearing the wedding robe provided for him. 12 So he said, ‘My friend, how is it that you’re here and you’re not wearing your wedding garment?’ But the man was speechless.

13 “Then the king turned to his servants and said, ‘Tie him up and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be great sorrow, with weeping and grinding of teeth.’ 14 For everyone is invited to enter in, but few respond in excellence.”

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*“We live in a culture in which the Church has to earn credibility, and without acts of compassion I believe the Church loses its credibility in the world.”*



**George Oliver Wood**, Former General Superintendent,  
Assemblies of God and Global Co-Chair of Empowered21



**Titanic**, the unsinkable ship. Titanic received a series of warnings not to sail in the Grand Banks of Newfoundland. But Captain Edward Smith chose to ignore them. Around 1500 people died on 10 April 1912.

