

*New
Things*

Isaiah 43:18-19

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18 Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.

19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

Introduction

A. God knows our past

Psalm 139:1-4

1 O lord, thou hast searched me, and known me.

2 Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

3 Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.

4 For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

Introduction

B. God can and wants to deliver

Isaiah 43:11-13

11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God.

13 Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it?

Introduction

C. God wants new things in our lives

Isaiah 42:9-10

9 Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

10 Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

I. Forget The Former Things (v 18)

A. The past weighs us down

Philippians 3:13

Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before.

Hebrews 12:1

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,



I. Forget The Former Things (v 18)

B. The prompting from God to move forward

1. Give Me your burden

Psalm 55:22

**Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee:
he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.**

2. Get relief from the burden

Matthew 11:28

**Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and
I will give you rest.**

II. Embrace The New Thing (v 19)

A. God declares that the new thing will spring forth

1. He knows what He is going to do

Isaiah 42:9

Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

2. He sees it before you see it

Isaiah 45:3

And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel.

II. Embrace The New Thing (v 19)

B. God creates the new thing and the past is gone

Isaiah 65:17

For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Psalms 23:1-2

1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

II. Embrace The New Thing (v 19)

C. Through spiritual renewal

Psalm 51:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

Isaiah 64:8

But now, O LORD, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand.



III. Perceiving the New Thing (v 19)

A. See beyond our circumstances by faith

2 Corinthians 5:7

(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

III. Perceiving the New Thing (v 19)

B. Seek by discernment and prayer

James 1:5

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

Proverbs 4:8

Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.

IV. Trusting God For The Way Forward (v 19)

A. God is making a way

Deuteronomy 28:13

And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them.

John 14:6

I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

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B. God can provide in your desert

Isaiah 41:18

I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

Isaiah 44:3

For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring.

**Let God Do Something New In Your Life
Today**