

23_ISA_41_01 Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew [their] strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to judgment.

23_ISA_41_02 Who raised up the righteous [man] from the east, called him to his foot, gave the nations before him, and made [him] rule over kings? he gave [them] as the dust to his sword, [and] as driven stubble to his bow.

23_ISA_41_03 He pursued them, [and] passed safely; [even] by the way [that] he had not gone with his feet.

23_ISA_41_04 Who hath wrought and done [it], calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD, the first, and with the last; I [am] he.

23_ISA_41_05 The isles saw [it], and feared; the ends of the earth were afraid, drew near, and came.

23_ISA_41_06 They helped every one his neighbour; and [every one] said to his brother, Be of good courage.

23_ISA_41_07 So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, [and] he that smootheth [with] the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, It [is] ready for the soldering: and he fastened it with nails, [that] it should not be moved.

23_ISA_41_08 But thou, Israel, [art] my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend.

23_ISA_41_09 [Thou] whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou [art] my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.

23_ISA_41_10 Fear thou not; for I [am] with thee: be not dismayed; for I [am] thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

23_ISA_41_11 Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.

23_ISA_41_12 Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them. [even] them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.

23_ISA_41_13 For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

23_ISA_41_14 Fear not, thou worm Jacob, [and] ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.

23_ISA_41_15 Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat [them] small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.

23_ISA_41_16 Thou shalt fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, [and] shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.

23_ISA_41_17 [When] the poor and needy seek water, and [there is] none, [and] their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

23_ISA_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.

23_ISA_41_19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, [and] the pine, and the box tree together:

23_ISA_41_20 That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.

23_ISA_41_21 Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong [reasons], saith the King of Jacob.

23_ISA_41_22 Let them bring [them] forth, and show us what shall happen: let them show the former things, what they [be], that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come.

23_ISA_41_23 Show the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye [are] gods: yea, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold [it] together.

23_ISA_41_24 Behold, ye [are] of nothing, and your work of nought: an abomination [is he that] chooseth you.

23_ISA_41_25 I have raised up [one] from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as [upon] mortar, and as the potter treadeth clay.

23_ISA_41_26 Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and beforetime, that we may say, [He is] righteous? yea, [there is] none that showeth, yea, [there is] none that declareth, yea, [there is] none that heareth your words.

23_ISA_41_27 The first [shall say] to Zion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings.

23_ISA_41_28 For I beheld, and [there was] no man; even among them, and [there was] no counsellor, that, when I asked of them, could answer a word.

23_ISA_41_29 Behold, they [are] all vanity; their works [are] nothing: their molten images [are] wind and confusion.