

The Almighty God & You

Isaiah 40:12-31

The circumstances behind our text today is that because of Judah's sin, God had to pronounce His judgment against the southern kingdom of Israel. They would be overcome by a foreign enemy; their cities would be burned; the temple would be ransacked and their people would be taken away as slaves by their captors to a distant land.

Definitely not good news.

What do you want to hear right after you receive bad news? What do you think these Jewish people need to hear after being told their sins would bring about a terrible thing?

I believe we learn something about our Almighty God and His care for us even when troubling things come upon us from the pages of Isaiah chapter 40. If you have your Bibles with you, join me in Isaiah, chapter 40, beginning in verse 12 as we consider: **“The Almighty God & You.”**

God pronounces His judgment upon the people of Judah in chapter 39 and then, immediately afterward, God speaks to His people to cause them to have confidence in their future and have confidence in His love.

#1 - The Almighty God & You, vs. 12-26

Did you hear what God had to say about Himself in these verses? God takes their thoughts away from their own impending trouble to focus on Him and His vastness.

When we fall into troubles that seem to overwhelm us, that seem to be greater even than our loving God, it is good to focus on the Almighty God and His vastness!

#2 - The Almighty God & His Care For You, vs. 27-31

- Like Judah, our troubles do not escape God's notice, vs. 27-28.
 - This God is not limited by time/duration (eternal God/YHWH)
 - This God is not limited by space (Creator of the ends of the earth)
 - This God's purposes are beyond our own
- The Almighty God provides His strength for you in life's tough times, vs. 29-31.

CONCLUSION:

When we receive bad news; when we encounter the darkest of challenges in this life - instead of thinking that our Almighty God has abandoned us and is incapable of sustaining us through trials and tribulations, may you be assured by the teachings of Isaiah chapter 40 two key things:

1. Your Almighty God is greater than your troubles; and,
2. Your Almighty God cares for you.