### Isaiah

## Chapter 63

1Who is this that’s coming from Edom  
 (From BozRah, wearing clothes with red stains)…  
 This handsome one with that great, mighty arm?  
  
 ‘I have [arrived to bring] justice  
 And [to plead] your case for salvation.’  
  
2But, why are you wearing red clothes,  
 As though you’ve been treading a vat?  
  
 3‘I’m covered with the things that I’ve trampled,  
 And none from the nations are with me;  
 For I’ve trampled them all in my rage.  
  
 ‘I broke them [like plowing] the ground,  
 And I’ve poured their blood out over the land…  
 So, that’s why my clothes are defiled.  
  
 4‘For the day of retribution has come  
 And the year for paying the ransom is here.  
  
 5‘But I searched and found no one to help me…  
 I noticed that no one would come to my aid.  
 So I brought salvation with my own mighty arm…  
 I attended to it in my rage.  
  
 6‘I trampled them down in my anger,  
 And I led their blood into the ground!’  
  
7I’ve considered the mercies of [God],  
 And the virtues of His retribution.  
 [I found His] judgments on IsraEl just,  
 For what He brings is justice and mercy.  
  
8He said:  
  
 ‘If My children will show Me respect;  
 From their opposers, I’ll save them…  
 Yes Me, not My angel or envoy!’  
  
9Because He loves them, He’ll save them…  
 He’ll spare them, and [He’ll pay] their ransom.  
 But, although He once took them and raised them;  
 Throughout the days of that age  
 10They still refused to listen to Him,  
 And by this, they provoked His Spirit.  
  
So Jehovah turned against them in hatred,  
 And then He waged war against them.  
 11But He thought about days of old,  
 And then, He raised a man from the ground  
 Who would shepherd His sheep.  
  
12So, where is this one who poured out [God’s] Breath…  
 The one who led Moses with his right hand…  
 This one with the glorious arm?  
  
Before [Moses], he conquered the waters,  
 And throughout ages, he made a name for himself.  
 13For he led them through the deep [sea];  
 Then like horses in the desert, they didn’t wear out.  
  
14Thereafter, as though they were cattle,  
 [They traveled from there through] the plains…  
 For the Spirit of the Lord came to guide them.  
 And once more, this is how he will lead them,  
 And make a glorious name for himself.  
  
15So, turn and look down from the heavens…  
 Look down from your holy, glorious place!  
 Where is your zeal and your strength…  
 Where is the mercy and compassion  
 That you’ve been withholding from us?  
  
16Our father, you have become;  
 For by AbraHam, we wouldn’t be known,  
 Nor would IsraEl be able to recognize us.  
 So Lord, please come to our aid;  
 For you have become our [true] father!  
  
17From ancient times, we’ve carried [God’s] Name;  
 So, why did He let us stray from His ways  
 And harden our hearts not to fear Him?  
  
Please return to us, because we’re Your servants…  
 We’re the tribes that You have chosen by lot  
 18To inherit Your Most Holy Mountain.  
  
Your enemies have trampled on Your Holy Place,  
 19And we’ve returned to what we once were  
 Before You became our Ruler  
 And when we were not called by Your Name.