

# YAHWEH'S CHALLENGE TO THE NATIONS

## SHABBAT MESSAGE 01/28/12

Reading – Yeshayahu 43:9 – 13

Isa 43:9 All the nations shall be assembled, and the peoples be gathered. Who among them declares this, and show us former events? Let them give their witnesses, to be declared right; or let them hear and say, “It is truth.”

Isa 43:10 “You are My witnesses,” declares יהוה, “And My servant whom I have chosen, so that you know and believe Me, and understand that I am He. Before Me there was no Ėl formed, nor after Me there is none.

Isa 43:11 “I, I am יהוה, and besides Me there is no saviour.

Isa 43:12 “I, I have declared and saved, and made known, and there was no foreign mighty one among you. And you are My witnesses,” declares יהוה, “that I am Ėl.

Isa 43:13 “Even from the day I am He, and no one delivers out of My hand. I work, and who turns it back?”

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### A LITTLE BACKGROUND

Yeshayahu chapter 43 opens with Yahweh speaking to Israel. In verse 1 Yahweh says, “...*Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name, you are Mine.*”

In verse 3 Yahweh states Who He is and Who is speaking. This is a declaration statement and has deeper meaning at the sod level.

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“*For I am Yahweh your Elohim, the Set-apart One of Yisra’el, your Saviour; ...*”

Verse 5 starts out with “*Do not fear, for I am with you. ...*” This is not simply saying that the “I” is Yahweh the Father but it is “Yahweh your Elohim, the Set-apart One of Yisra’el, your Saviour” Who is with Israel.

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**So Who is “Yahweh your Elohim, the Set-apart One of Yisra’el, your Saviour”?**

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### WE READ ABOUT YAHSHUA:

Markos (Mark)1:24 “...saying, “*Ha! What have we to do with You, Yabshua of Natsareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are: the Set-apart One of Elohim!*”

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(Even the demons knew who He is and declared that He is the Set-apart One of Elohim.)

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Luka (Luke) 1:35 “*And the messenger answering, said to her, “The Set-apart Spirit shall come upon you, and the power of the Most High shall overshadow you. And for that reason the Set-apart One born of you shall be called: Son of Elohim.”*”

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These verses and more establish that Yahshua is the “Set Apart One of Israel”

## WE ALSO READ ABOUT YAHSHUA:

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Luka 2:11 “Because there was born to you today in the city of David **a Saviour, who is Messiah, the Master.**”

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Yochanan (John) 4:42 “And they said to the woman, “We no longer believe because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard, and we know that this is truly **the Messiah, the Saviour of the world.**”

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Ma’aseh Shlichim (Acts) 5:30 – 32 “The Elohim of our fathers raised up Yabshua whom you laid hands on, hanging Him on a timber. Him, **a Prince and a Saviour**, Elohim has exalted to His right hand, **to give repentance to Yisra’el and forgiveness of sins.** And we are His witnesses to these matters, and so also is the Set-apart Spirit whom Elohim has given to those who obey Him.”

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Ma’aseh Shlichim 13:22 – 23 “...He raised up for them David as sovereign, to whom also He gave witness and said, I have found David the son of Yishai, a man after My own heart, who shall do all My desires. From this one’s seed, according to the promise, Elohim raised up for Yisra’el a **Saviour, Yabshua ...**”

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Phylipsiyah (Philippians) 3:20 “For our citizenship is in the heavens, from which we also eagerly wait for the **Saviour, the Master Yabshua Messiah,**”

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Timtheous Alef (1 Timothy) 1:1 “Sha’ul, an emissary of Yabshua Messiah, according to a command of **Elohim our Saviour, and of the Master Yabshua Messiah, our expectation,**”

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Timtheous Alef 4:10 “It is for this that we labour and struggle, because we trust in the living **Elohim, who is the Saviour of all men, particularly of those who believe.**”

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Yochanan Alef (1 John) 4:14 “And we have seen and bear witness that the Father has sent the **Son, Saviour of the world.**”

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Teitus (Titus) 2:13 – 14 “...looking for the blessed expectation and esteemed appearance of **the great Elohim and our Saviour Yabshua Messiah, who gave Himself for us, to redeem us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for Himself a people, His own possession, ardent for good works.**”

These verses and more establish that Yahshua is the Savior or Salvation. Thus His Name MUST be Yahshua which means “Yah is Salvation”.

These verses and others tell us that

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Yahweh is our Elohim → He is the Set-apart One of Yisra’el → He is our Savior.

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Yahshua is Yahweh → He is the Set-apart One of Yisra’el → He is our Savior.

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Verses 5-8 “Yahweh your Elohim, the Set-apart One of Yisra’el, your Saviour”

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SPECIFICALLY says

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“... *I shall bring your seed from ...*”

When the word “shall” is used it means it absolutely will be accomplished – period!

The word “seed” means that Yahweh will bring the actual physical blood descendants of Israel from the far lands. It does not imply any “spiritual Israelites”. But it means the scattered House of Israel. Any non-Israelite strangers who join themselves to Israel are included as seed by physical adoption.

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## YAHWEH SUMMONS ISRAEL AND THE NATIONS TO A JUDICIAL PROCEEDING.

Yahweh has made a prophetic statement through the prophet Yeshayahu in verses 1 – 8. He challenges not just the nations but all of the heavenly hosts that what He says shall come to pass.

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Verse 9 – The nations are challenged to produce evidence of the power of their mighty ones.

They must produce evidence that their mighty ones have prophesied and done great things like Yahweh has done. They must produce witnesses in order to be declared right. If they cannot then they must hear Yahweh and His witness, Israel and then acknowledge that Yahweh speaks truth.

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Verse 10 – Yahweh speaks to Israel and calls them His witnesses and His servant. Yahweh further says “...*whom I have chosen...*”. This is textual evidence that Yahweh chose Israel as His own and not the nations.

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“...*so that you know and believe Me, and understand that I am He.*”

It is understood that the “you” here is ALL of Israel – all generations to come. Yahweh is speaking of Himself in His infinite form by saying “I am He” as we see in Shemot 3:14:

“*And Elohim said to Mosheh, “I am that which I am.”*”

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“...*’eyeh ’asher ’eyeh...*”

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“...*Before Me there was no El formed, nor after Me there is none.*”

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“Yahweh hu haElohim” – Yahweh He is Elohim – Malachim Alef 18:39

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In verse 11, Yahweh does not stutter and He is not using the personal pronoun “I” twice for emphasis. The King James and many other versions of Scripture translate this part of these verses (and verse 25) as “I, even I...”. This is incorrect.

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The Hebrew of verse 11 begins with:

... יְהוָה אֲנִי אֲנִי

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So who is “I, I”? Who this “I, I” is found in Yeshayahu 43:3,

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“...I am *יְהוָה* your Elobim, the *Set-apart One of Yisra'el*, your Saviour;...”

In The Scriptures verse 12 should actually read, “I have declared...” according to the Hebrew text.

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In verse 12 Yahweh states that it is He that declares, saves, and makes known that He shall gather Israel from all the places where they are scattered.

No mighty one can do this.

Israel is the witness that Yahweh is Elohim.

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Verse 13 says, “*even from the day...*” – this may mean “from the day of creation” or “from the beginning”. Yahweh planned the restoration from the very beginning. Yahweh reiterates that “I am He”.

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“...no one delivers out of My hand. I work and who turns it back?” No mighty one can take Israel from Yahweh’s hand. No mighty one can prevent Yahweh from gathering His people from the far lands.

Yahweh’s restoration of all of Israel shall happen and there is no one or no thing that can prevent it!

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## CONCLUSION

Yahweh makes an official statement to the beings of the universe that He will bring Israel back together.

He challenges anyone of thing in the universe to prove otherwise.

This is an event that shall take place and no one or no thing can stop it.