

Come to Me Strength to the Weary

Reflect

1. What comes to mind when you hear the word “weary?”
2. Do you think God ever gets weary? Explain your answer.
3. Describe a time in your life where you have felt “strong.”

Read Your Bible

- Isaiah 40:1-5, 28-31
- Matthew 11:28-30

Apply God’s Word to Your Life

1. Read Isaiah 40:1-5. From what did God’s people need comfort?
2. What does “make straight in the desert a highway for our God” mean to you?
3. How in your life has God made a way where there seemed to be no way?
4. Read Isaiah 40:28-31. How does the prophet describe God?
5. How does the prophet describe us—God’s people?
6. Describe what it would look like for your life to “soar” spiritually. How can you get there?

Conclusion

The exile was a time of deep weariness. The Babylonians separated parents from children, brothers from sisters, friends from friends, and enslaved them in a strange land. But the source of their weariness was deeper still. It was a longing to be back home: not back to Jerusalem, but back to God—to the home he created for them and for us. Through Jesus, God has rescued you from slavery to sin. He has made straight in the desert a highway for you to come home. Confess your sins to your heavenly Father and find His forgiveness today.

Pray

Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to rescue us from slavery to sin. You have made straight in the desert a highway for me. Give me strength to repent of my sins and return home to Your loving arms again. In Jesus' name. Amen.