

Overview of ch. 49-57

The Lord and his Servant	49:1-13 Lord ↔ Servant	52:13-53:12 Lord ↔ People about the Servant
The Lord and Mother Zion	49:14-50:3	54:1-17
The Lord and his Servant	50:4-9 Lord ↔ Servant	
The Lord and his People	50:10-51:8	55:1-57:21

51:9-52:12 The Watchman's Call

Arm of the Lord	51:9-16	52:10-12
Jerusalem	51:17-23	52:9
Zion	52:1-6	52:7-8

49:1-13, The Lord Commissions His Servant

	1-3, Call	4-12, Comfort
The Servant Speaks	1-2 Listen, O Isles; the Lord hath called me	4-5 I have labored in vain ... yet my judgment is with my God
The Lord Speaks	3 [he] said unto me, “Thou art my Servant”	6 and he said ... Light to the Gentiles 7 thus saith the Lord ... (despised yet revered) 8 thus saith the Lord ... (delivers the prisoners)

v. 13 (Call on all creation to praise the Lord for his work with his servant—cf. 44:21-23)

The Role of 49:13

Compare 44:21-23

	ch. 44	ch. 49
Promise of deliverance concerning the Servant	21 ... thou <i>art</i> my servant: O Israel, ...22 I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: ... I have redeemed thee.	vv. 6-12 the Lord delivers his Servant (7, 8a) and his People (6, 8b-12)
Doxology	23 Sing, O ye heavens ; ... shout, ye lower parts of the earth : break forth into singing, ye mountains , ... for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel.	13 Sing, O heavens ; and be joyful, O earth ; and break forth into singing, O mountains : for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.

49:14-26, The Lord Comforts Mother Zion ("thou" feminine)

Speaker	vv. 14-20	vv. 21-26	
Zion	14 The Lord hath forsaken me...	21 Where did these come from?	
The Lord	17a Children return 17b Enemies leave 18-19a Children return 19b Enemies leave 20 Children return	22-23 Thus saith the Lord GOD <<Gentiles will bring thy children >> Thou shalt know that I am the LORD	24-26 Thus saith the Lord ... I will contend with him that contendeth with thee ... All flesh shall know that I am the LORD