

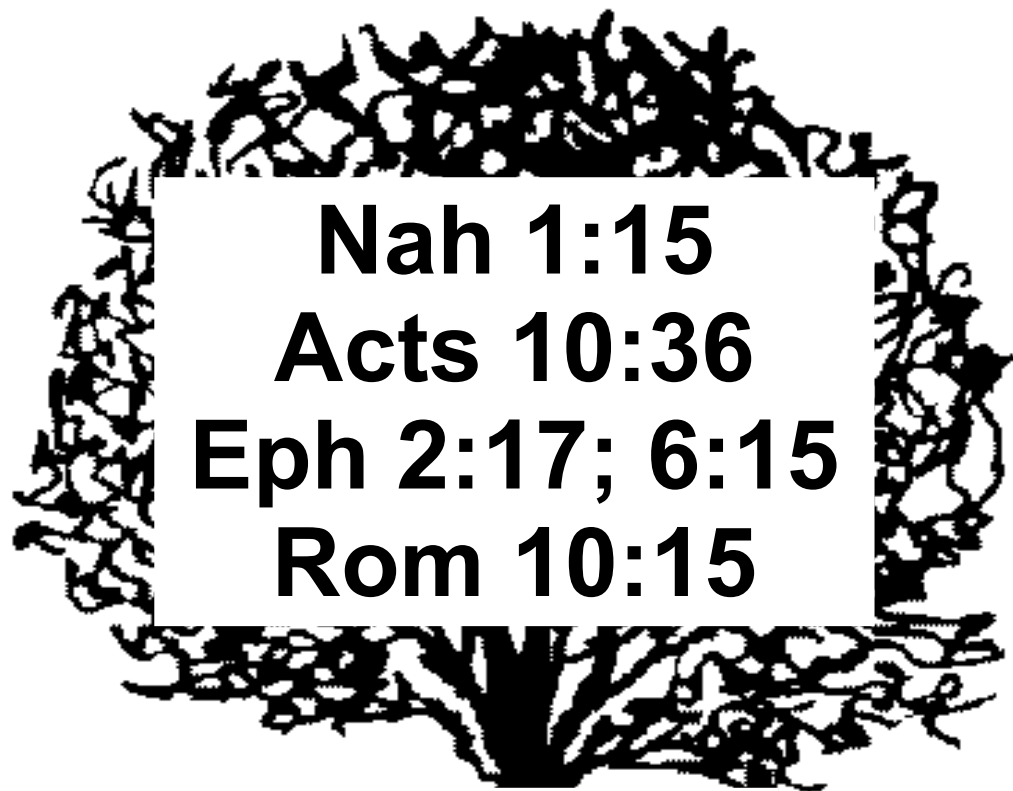
# Overview of ch. 49-57

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
Jerusalem	51:17-23	52:9
Zion	52:1-6	52:7-8

# Roots and Branches of 52:7-8



**Nah 1:15**  
**Acts 10:36**  
**Eph 2:17; 6:15**  
**Rom 10:15**

**Isa 52:7-8**



**2 Sam 18:19-33**



# Branches: Nahum

Dating:

Before 612 BC, the fall of Nineveh to the Medes and Babylonians:

3:7 And **it shall come to pass**, *that* all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, **Nineveh is laid waste**:

After 663 BC, the fall of No-Amon (Thebes) to Assurbanipal:

8-10 Art thou better than ~~populous~~ **No-Amon**, that was situate among the rivers, ... 10 Yet *was* she carried away, **she went into captivity**:

The Fate of the Wicked One

Nah 1:11-15 There is *one* come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a **wicked** counsellor. ... 14 And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, *that* no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile. 15 **Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace!** O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the **wicked** shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.

Who is the “Wicked Counsellor” (Nah 1:11), “the wicked one” (Nah 1:15)?  
“Wicked” = Belial בליעל

2Co 6:14-16 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? 15 And what concord hath Christ with **Belial**? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols?

Deu 13:13 *Certain* men, the children of **Belial**, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known;

# Branches: Acts, Ephesians

Acts 10:36-38 The word which *God* sent unto the children of Israel, **preaching peace** by **Jesus Christ**: (he is Lord of all:) ...  
38 ... God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

Eph 2:13-17 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of **Christ**. ... 17 [He] came and **preached peace** to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

Eph 6:15 And **your feet** shod with the preparation of **the gospel of peace**;

# Branches: Rom 10:15

14-15a, Objections to Paul's critique of the Jews:

How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed?

and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard?

and how shall they hear without a preacher?

15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent?

15b, Paul's response: God has been faithful to his ancient promise.

as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

# Two Promises about the “arm of the Lord” in 52:9-10 and 51:12-16

The Promise	52:9-10	51:12-16
<p><b>Comfort</b> to God’s people</p>	<p>9 Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath <b>comforted</b> his people, he hath redeemed <b>Jerusalem</b>.</p>	<p>12 I, <i>even I, am</i> he that <b>comforteth</b> you: who <i>art</i> thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man <i>that</i> shall die, ...</p>
<p><b>Power</b> over the enemy</p>	<p>10 The LORD hath made bare his <b>holy arm</b> in the eyes of <b>all the nations</b>; and <b>all the ends of the earth</b> shall see the salvation of our God.</p>	<p>15-16 But I <i>am</i> the LORD thy God, that divided the sea, whose waves roared: The LORD of hosts is his name. 16 And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have <b>covered thee in the shadow of mine hand</b>,</p>

# 52:11, the Command to Return

Isa 52:11 be ye clean, that **bear the vessels of the Lord**

Ezra 1:2-3, 7 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah. 3 Who *is there* among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God of Israel, (he *is* the God,) which *is* in Jerusalem. ... 7 Also Cyrus the king brought forth **the vessels of the house of the LORD**, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had put them in the house of his gods; 8 Even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and numbered them unto Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah.



# New Testament Echoes of 56:11

Isa 52:11 Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, **touch no unclean thing**; **go ye out of the midst of her**; **be ye clean [LXX separate]**, that bear the vessels of the LORD.

2Co 6:17 Wherefore **come out from among them**, and **be ye separate**, saith the Lord, and **touch not the unclean thing**; and I will receive you,

Rev 18:4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her**, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

# Parallels to 56:12

For ye shall not go out **with haste**

Exo 12:33, 39 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land **in haste**; for they said, We *be* all dead *men*.

nor go by flight:

Ezr 8:22-23 22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against **the enemy in the way**: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God *is* upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath *is* against all them that forsake him. 23 So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was intreated of us.

for the LORD will go before you; and the God of Israel *will be* your rereward.

Exo 14:19 And the angel of God, which went **before** the camp of Israel, removed and went **behind** them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them: