Isaiah 43:1-8 Isaiah 29:22-24

Today we will look at God's incredible 'double edged redemption." He is remarkably thorough and immeasurably good. He does not want anyone to perish and He longs for all who have come to Him to thrive and fulfill their destiny.

43 But now, thus says the LORD, your Creator, O Jacob, and He who formed you, O Israel,

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine! ² "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, nor will the flame burn you. ³ "For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I have given Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in your place. ⁴ "Since you are precious in My sight, since you are honored and I love you, I will give other men in your place and other peoples in exchange for your life.

I will bring your offspring from the east, and gather you from the west. ⁶ "I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not hold them back.' Bring My sons from afar and My daughters from the ends of the earth, ⁷ everyone who is called by My name, and whom I have created for My glory, whom I have formed, even whom I have made." Isaiah 43:1-7 NASB

But now, this is what the LORD, your Creator says, O Jacob, and He who formed you, O Israel, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you [from captivity]; I have called you by name; you are Mine! Isaiah 43:1 AMP

- The flood tides of trouble and the fire of life's battles cannot match God's keeping power. (Isaiah 43:2-7)
 - He is God! (v3)

⁵ "Do not fear, for I am with you;

- You are precious in His sight. (v4)
- o You are honored...You are family. (v4)
 - See James 4:5
- He loves you. (v4)

- He is with you, and He is for you. (v5)
- He will gather those who are away from Him and apart from you. (v6-7)
 - Those who are scattered.
 - Those who are scathed.
 - Those who are scared.
 - Those who are scarred.
 - He will redeem and restore those who are sons and daughters and those whom He has created so they can become sons and daughters.
- He redeems us:
 - We are redeemed from sin.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD; for with the LORD there is lovingkindness, and with Him is abundant redemption. ⁸ And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities. Psalm 130:7-8 NASB

Who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds. Titus 2:14 NASB

• He redeems us from the enemy.

So He saved them from the hand of the one who hated them, and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy. Psalm 106:10 NASB

107 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His lovingkindness is everlasting.

² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from the hand of the adversary ³ And gathered from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. Psalm 107:1-3 NASB

o He redeems us unto Himself.

Who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory. Ephesians 1:14 NASB

⁹ But you are A CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; ¹⁰ for you once were NOT A PEOPLE, but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD; you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY, but now you have RECEIVED MERCY. 1 Peter 2:9-10 NASB

He redeems us eternally.

¹¹ But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, He entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation; ¹² and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. ¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled sanctify for the cleansing of the flesh, ¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? Hebrews 9:11-14 NASB

⁷ "Therefore behold, the days are coming," declares the LORD, "when they will no longer say, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up the sons of Israel from the land of Egypt,' ⁸ but, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up and led back the descendants of the household of Israel from the north land and from all the countries where I had driven them.' Then they will live on their own soil." Jeremiah 23:7-8 NASB

- An interesting 'take' concerning redemption. (Jeremiah 23:7-8)
 - There is a redemption from Egypt that is a portrait of salvation.
 - There is redemption from captivity that is a restoring of those who have tasted redemption.
 - Those 'descendants of the household of Israel' (v8) have already escaped Egypt but are still not 'home'.

We have a strong sense that God wants us to have His heart for 'prodigals' and for people who have not yet given their hearts to Jesus. We must pray for people to turn to the Lord or return to Him. We need to pursue and 'pray in' those of His children who have run off, fallen away, or been driven off and we need to 'stand in the gap' for those who Jesus died for but have not yet believed. He is a redeemer, and He wants us to partner with Him so He can work in us and through us to prove His redemptive heart.