

Volume 3 The Prophetic Books Isaiah 40:1 – 2

"Comfort ye, comfort ye My people", says your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD's hand double for all her sins." Isaiah 40:1-2

There are three distinct people in this passage. The first is the LORD Who is commanding those who belong to Him to comfort His people.

Jesus spoke of those two flocks when He said, "...I lay down My life for the sheep. And other sheep I have that are not of this fold, them I must also bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be one fold, and one Shepherd." (John 10:15 – 16).

Isaiah has seen the LORD's command to the Gentile flock (the Church) to encourage and comfort His Jewish flock. Even without this command to comfort His people, we owe the Jewish people much for they have given to us the Law, the prophets, the apostles and, yes, even our Messiah!

Make it your practice, whenever you can, to bless the Jewish people. Encourage them, allow the Holy Spirit to lead you in your conversation with them. Befriend them, pray for them, and stand by them.

It is a natural thing to love and bless those things which you love and want blessed! Is it not right then to love and bless that ancient people that our Lord Jesus loves and would bless?

Selah!

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