

# SUNDAY SCHOOL

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God's Restored  
People Shall  
Prosper  
Isaiah  
49:18-23

## Section Review

Partners in a New Creation

**God Delivers and Restores**

- **6/5: Isaiah 47:10-15;** Isaiah foretells of the Babylonians destruction for their brutality and idolatry.
- **6/12: Isaiah 49:1-13;** Isaiah foretells of the true servant of Israel who will redeem the people of the present and all people of the future

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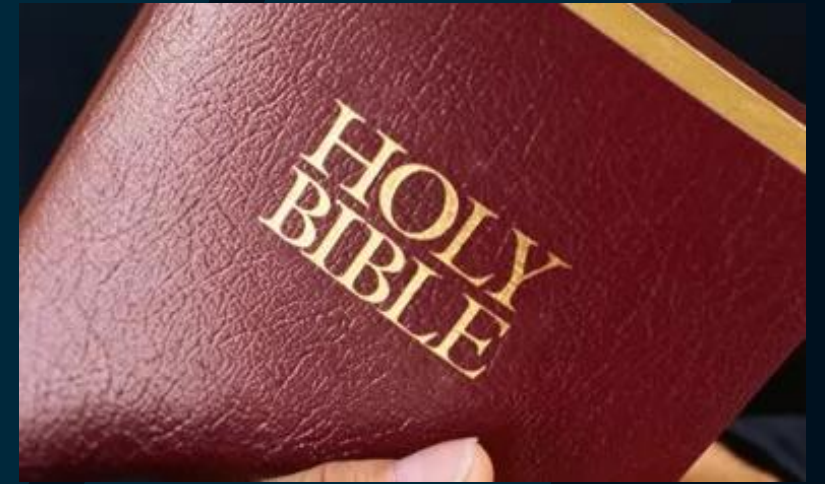
# Background

- God's people were in captivity because they were obstinate and stubborn (**Isaiah 48:4**)
- God also told Israel if they disobeyed, He would scatter them. Then He would restore them back (**Deuteronomy 30:1-3**). God placed His people in a place of affliction (**Isaiah 48:10**)
- Despite their affliction, God reaffirms His covenant relationship with them, which leads to today's text (Isaiah 49:14-17)

# Lesson Text

## ISAIAH 49:18 – 19 (NKJV)

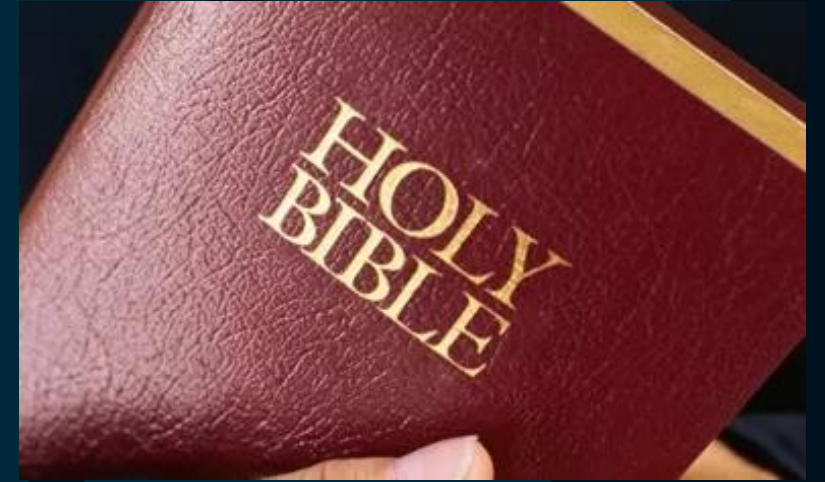
<sup>18</sup> Lift up your eyes, look around and see; All these gather together and come to you. As I live," says the Lord, "You shall surely clothe yourselves with them all as an ornament, And bind them on you as a bride does. <sup>19</sup> "For your waste and desolate places, And the land of your destruction, Will even now be too small for the inhabitants; And those who swallowed you up will be far away.



# Lesson Text

## ISAIAH 49:20 – 21 (NKJV)

<sup>20</sup> The children you will have, After you have lost the others, Will say again in your ears, 'The place is too small for me; Give me a place where I may dwell.' <sup>21</sup> Then you will say in your heart, 'Who has begotten these for me, Since I have lost my children and am desolate, A captive, and wandering to and fro? And who has brought these up? There I was, left alone; But these, where were they?' "



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# Forgiveness, Restoration, Reconciliation

**Forgiveness** = The RELEASE from punishment, guilt, blame. It only requires YOU to DECIDE to forgive. It is a SELFISH act.

**Restoration** = The return of something or someone to its ORIGINAL state or function. It can be an object or a relationship

**Reconciliation** = The building of something NEW, or the IMPROVEMENT of something to make it better than before.<sup>5</sup>

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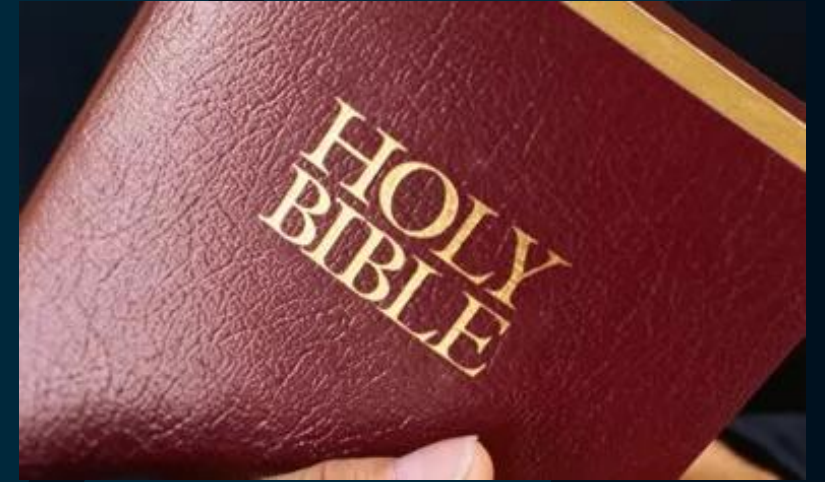
# Commentary: Restoration +

- In the Scriptures, when God restores, it is often never to the original standard, but a higher one:
  - **Joel 2:25 – 26** (God's promise to restore)
  - **1 Kings 17:8 – 16** (The woman made a cake for Elijah with her last supply, but God blessed her abundantly)
  - **Job 42:10 – 17** (Job, despite his losses received twice what he had before)

# Lesson Text

## ISAIAH 49:22 – 23 (NKJV)

<sup>22</sup> Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, I will lift My hand in an oath to the nations, And set up My <sup>[c]</sup>standard for the peoples; They shall bring your sons in their <sup>[d]</sup>arms, And your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders; <sup>23</sup> Kings shall be your foster fathers, And their queens your nursing mothers; They shall bow down to you with their faces to the earth, And lick up the dust of your feet. Then you will know that I am the Lord, For they shall not be ashamed who wait for Me."



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# Commentary: Mothers & Fathers

- Mothers and Fathers fill very specific roles in the lives of children. While not always perfect, and not always by the actual parent, the roles are distinct and may be appreciated at different times in one's life:

## Mothers:

- Protection
- Nurturing
- Affection
- Immediate

## Fathers:

- Preparation
- Coaching
- Discipline
- Long Term

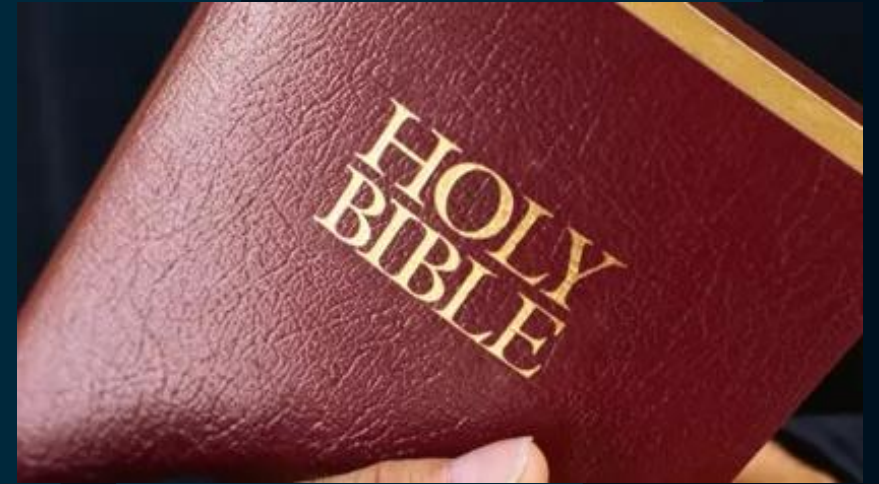


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# Scripture References



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# Church School Creed & Benediction

## CREED

Our Church School must grow & grow  
And we must help to make it so  
Every member a **Christian**  
Every Christian a **worker**  
Every worker **trained**  
A worker that **will not be ashamed**  
This we ask in Jesus' name

-AMEN

## BENEDICTION

We have come  
We have studied  
We have learned  
So until our next coming together  
To study God's word  
May His rich blessings reside with you  
And may His Grace be eternally yours

-AMEN