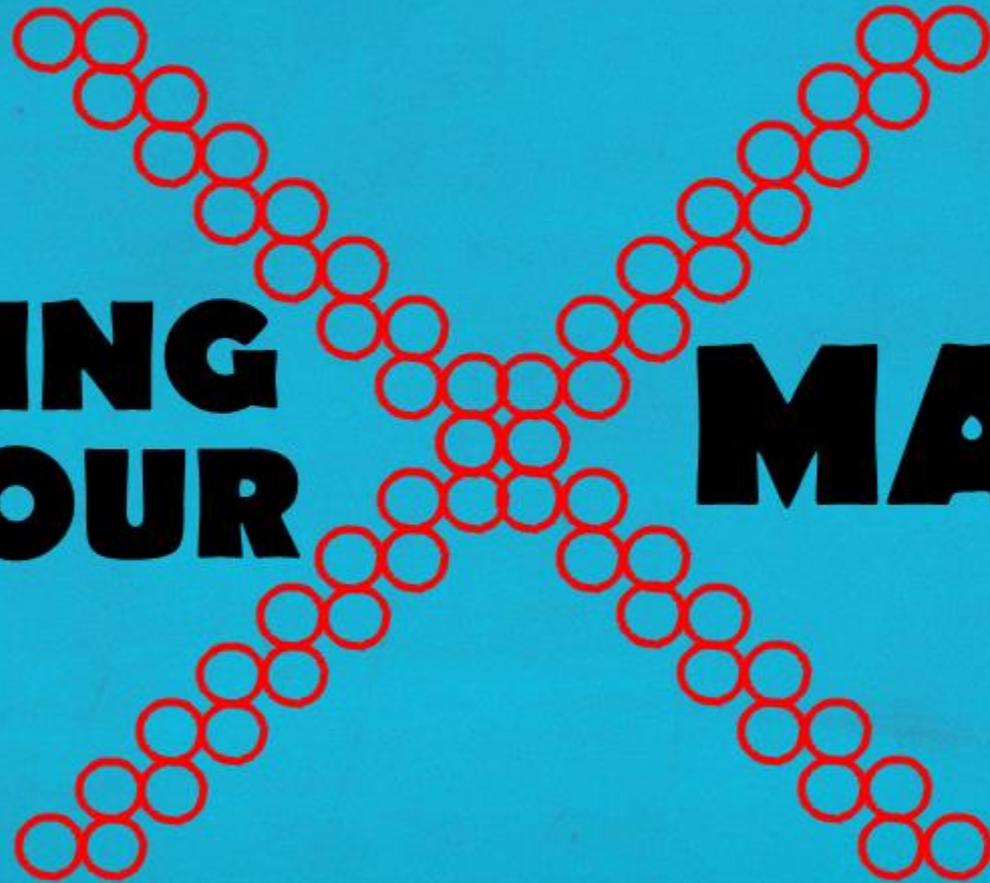


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Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

Hebrews 12:1-2

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Why We Love Isaiah

***18 "Come now, let us settle the matter,"
says the LORD.***

***"Though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red as crimson,
they shall be like wool.***

Isaiah 1:18

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Why We Love Isaiah

14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

Isaiah 7:14

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Why We Love Isaiah

⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

Isaiah 9:6-7

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Why We Love Isaiah

In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: We have a strong city; God makes salvation its walls and ramparts. ² Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, the nation that keeps faith. ³ You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you. ⁴ Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD himself, is the Rock eternal.

Isaiah 26:1-4

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Why We Love Isaiah

***³ A voice of one calling:
"In the wilderness prepare
the way for the LORD;
make straight in the desert
a highway for our God.
Isaiah 40:3***

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Why We Love Isaiah

***30 Even youths grow tired and weary,
and young men stumble and fall;***

***31 but those who hope in the LORD
will renew their strength.***

***They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.***

Isaiah 40:30-31

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Why We Love Isaiah

Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. ³ He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

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Isaiah 53:1-3

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4 Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted.

5 But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

6 We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:4-6

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The Story of Isaiah's Life

- ♥ **Lived 750 years before Jesus**
- ♥ **Born into an upper class family with connections**
- ♥ **Announced the coming Savior and King**
- ♥ **Warned the nation of decline, sin, ills of society**
- ♥ **The nation would not listen, eventually killed him**

Our Takeaways

- 1. You are a part of something greater than you realize.
Stand well.**
- 2. You might not realize your impact.
Be faithful.**
- 3. God's plan will prevail.
Don't lose hope.**



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