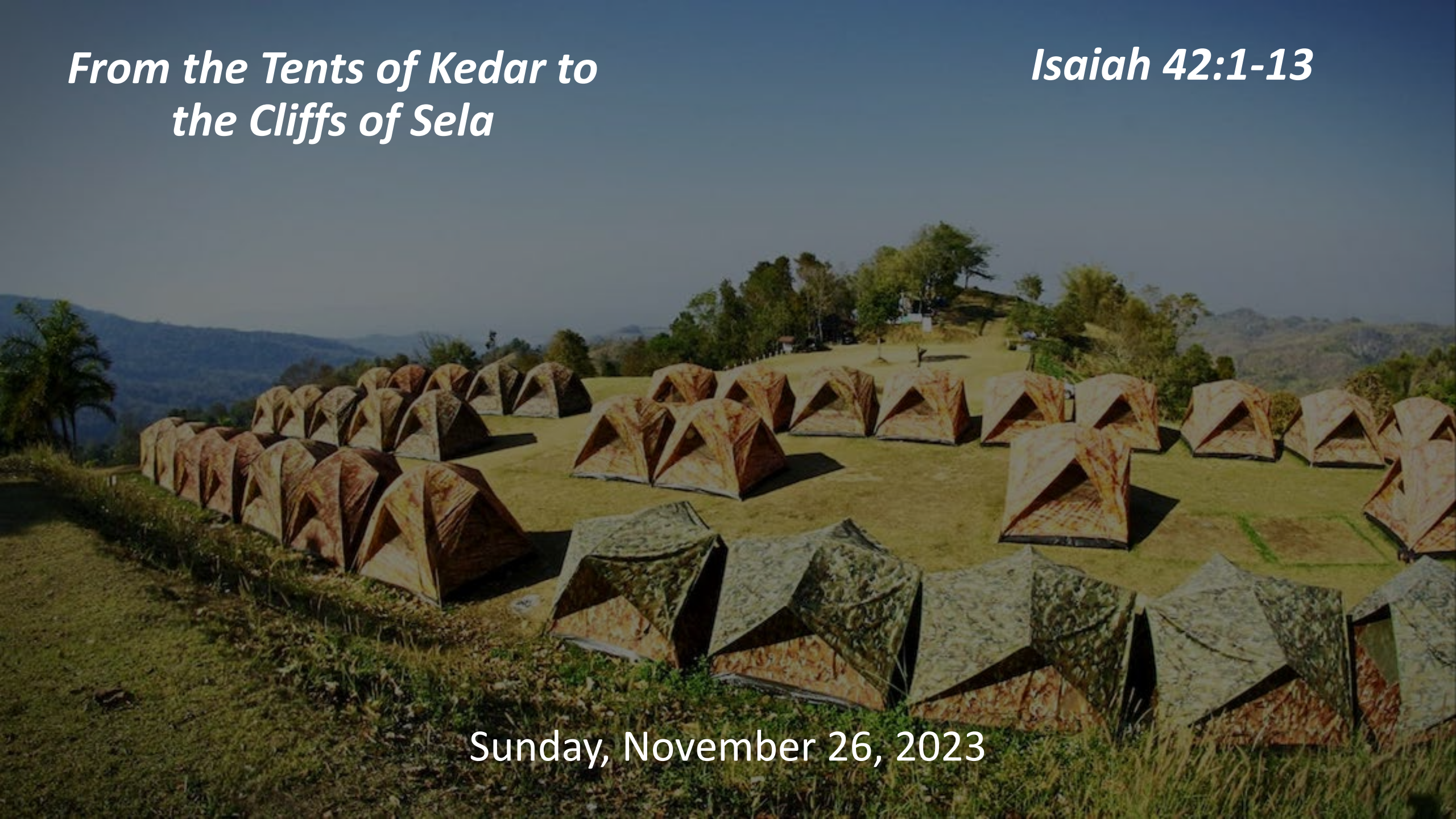


*From the Tents of Kedar to
the Cliffs of Sela*

Isaiah 42:1-13



Sunday, November 26, 2023

A Look at My Servant

Isaiah 42:1-4

- 1 “Behold! My Servant whom I uphold,
My Elect One *in whom* My soul delights!
I have put My Spirit upon Him;
He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles.
- 2 He will not cry out, nor raise *His voice*,
Nor cause His voice to be heard in the street.
- 3 A bruised reed He will not break,
And smoking flax He will not quench;
He will bring forth justice for truth.
- 4 He will not fail nor be discouraged,
Till He has established justice in the earth;
And the coastlands shall wait for His law.”

History of Isaianic Interpretation

**AD 1775
+
AD 1892**

Isaiah
Chapters 1-39



Deutero-Isaiah
Chapters 40-55



Trito-Isaiah
Chapters 56-66

Rationale for Rejection

STYLISTIC CHANGES

CYRUS MENTIONED BY
NAME (590 BC - 529 BC)

SCHOLARLY IMAGINATION



Response

- New Testament writers attest to unity of Isaiah
- Book found a unity at Qumran
- The longer the book the greater the stylistic shift
- Isaiah autographed with:
 - ***'Qadosh Israel' — "Holy One of Israel"***
 - 12 times in chapters 1-39
 - 13 times in rest of book
- God knew about Cyrus

Who Is He?

My Servant

The Elect One

My Spirit on Him

He brings justice to the Gentiles



How Will He Function?

Quiet dignity and total
confidence

Compassion toward wounded

Without failure

He establishes God's law

The Creator

Isaiah 42:5-9

- ⁵ Thus says God the LORD,
Who created the heavens and stretched them out,
Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from
it, Who gives breath to the people on it,
And spirit to those who walk on it:
- ⁶ “I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness,
And will hold Your hand;
I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the
people, As a light to the Gentiles,
- ⁷ To open blind eyes, To bring out prisoners from the
prison, Those who sit in darkness from the prison house.
- ⁸ I *am* the LORD, that *is* My name;
And My glory I will not give to another,
Nor My praise to carved images.
- ⁹ Behold, the former things have come to pass,
And new things I declare;
Before they spring forth I tell you of them.”

Who Is Speaking?

- The Creator of the Earth
- The Giver of Life
- The Provider of Righteousness
- To provide a light to the Gentiles
- To redeem from prison
- I am Jehovah.
- My glory is not transferable.
- What I declare transpired. Now I speak again.



Praise to the Lord

Sing a New Song

*Isaiah
42:10-13*

10 Sing to the Lord a new song, *And* His praise from the ends of the earth, You who go down to the sea, and all that is in it, You coastlands and you inhabitants of them!

11 Let the wilderness and its cities lift up *their voice*, The villages *that* Kedar inhabits.
Let the inhabitants of Sela sing, Let them shout from the top of the mountains.

12 Let them give glory to the Lord,
And declare His praise in the coastlands.

13 The Lord shall go forth like a mighty man;
He shall stir up *His* zeal like a man of war.
He shall cry out, yes, shout aloud;
He shall prevail against His enemies.



From the tents of Kedar to the cliffs of Sela

Map of Arabia



*Map of
Arabia*



Map of Edom







Tents of Kedar









He will prevail against enemies.