

alive a knowledge of himself, a knowledge of the true God, that ~~he-~~ He could have a people isolated, ~~separa-~~ separated from the rest of the world to whom He could give His word and to whom He could prepare as instruments through whom ~~h~~ He could bring the Redeemer into the ~~we-~~ world and so all he said here was that ~~Israel~~ Israel should not fear, God is going to protect you. But when he brings in the ideas of why God is going to protect ~~the~~ them is because you ~~ask~~ are His servants God has something that He wants to fulfill / to ~~accomplish~~ accomplish His purpose. And when ~~ou~~ you get on to ~~charp~~ chapter 40 you find the first ~~fr-w~~ few ~~h~~ verses as describing judgment to all thenations, ~~read~~ reaching forth into the whole world and establishing righteousness, opening the blind eyes, bringing out the prisoners from the prison, and ~~Israie~~ Israel said how can you do that, we are in ~~prision~~ prison ourselves, we are in captivity, and ~~ha~~ how can we bring out the prisoners, and you go on, you ~~g~~ begin to think ~~that-~~ that Israel is God's servant. God has called Israel ...but does ~~tha~~ that mean all are going to do the work. Surely not everyone, surely not the aduleters, the blasphemers, it might be ...the nation of Israel was called to ~~k~~ do the work. And yet, it wont be all of Israel that actually does ~~ix~~ it. ~~Isa~~ Is it ~~x~~ even possible ~~tha~~ that it is one actual person, ~~a~~ representing ~~Israie,~~ Israel, doing the work for ~~k~~ which Israel is called but yet one individual who is the one who is to do the work of the church, ...in order that this work should be fulfilled. You see that it ~~the~~ is the line along which ...and our principles of progressive ~~rd~~ revelation gradually ~~ly~~ brings out the idea, people turn away from God --they want to forget what God wants, and God ~~wat-~~ wants to bring it in gradually --and I ~~h~~ know of no clearer and interesting illustration ~~that-~~ than this ...