

**RISE
UP**



Isaiah 52

Awake, awake, put on your strength, O Zion!
Put on your beautiful garments,
O Jerusalem, the holy city;
for the uncircumcised and the unclean shall
enter you no more.

2 Shake yourself from the dust, rise up, O
captive Jerusalem;
loose the bonds from your neck, O captive
daughter Zion!

3 For thus says the Lord: You were sold for nothing, and you shall be redeemed without money. 4 For thus says the Lord God: Long ago, my people went down into Egypt to reside there as aliens; the Assyrian, too, has oppressed them without cause.

5 Now therefore, what am I doing here, says the Lord, seeing that my people are taken away without cause? Their rulers howl, says the Lord, and continually, all day long, my name is despised. 6 Therefore my people shall know my name; therefore on that day they shall know that it is I who speak; here am I.

7 How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.'

8 Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
together they sing for joy; for in plain sight
they see the return of the Lord to Zion.

9 Break forth together into singing, you ruins
of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his
people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

10 The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations;
and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

11 Depart, depart, go out from there! Touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of it, purify yourselves, you who carry the vessels of the Lord.

12 For you shall not go out in haste, and you shall not go in flight;

for the Lord will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rearguard.

13 See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high.

14 Just as there were many who were astonished at him - so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals—

15 so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him;

for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.



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Wake Up!

Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the
Lord!

Awake, as in days of old, the generations long
ago!

Isaiah 51:9



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10 March 2026







*Poème sur le désastre
de Lisbonne (1756)*

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TIME TO



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limiting God?



Beautiful Feet





For Isaiah, to see the messenger is to see the fulfilment of the message because of the one from whom the message comes

John 20:28

