

“Rejoice, childless one, who did not give birth;
burst into song and shout,
you who have not been in labor!

For the children of the desolate one will be more
than the children of the married woman,”
says the LORD.

² “Enlarge the site of your tent,
and let your tent curtains be stretched out;
do not hold back;
lengthen your ropes,
and drive your pegs deep.

³ For you will spread out to the right and to the left,
and your descendants will dispossess nations
and inhabit the desolate cities.

⁴ “Do not be afraid, for you will not be put to shame;
don’t be humiliated, for you will not be disgraced.
For you will forget the shame of your youth,
and you will no longer remember
the disgrace of your widowhood.

⁵ Indeed, your husband is your Maker—

his name is the LORD of Armies—

and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer;

he is called the God of the whole earth.

⁶ For the LORD has called you,

like a wife deserted and wounded in spirit,

a wife of one's youth when she is rejected,"

says your God.

⁷ "I deserted you for a brief moment,

but I will take you back with abundant compassion.

⁸ In a surge of anger

I hid my face from you for a moment,

but I will have compassion on you

with everlasting love,"

says the LORD your Redeemer.

⁹ “For this is like the days of Noah to me:

when I swore that the water of Noah

would never flood the earth again,

so I have sworn that I will not be angry with you

or rebuke you.

¹⁰ Though the mountains move

and the hills shake,

my love will not be removed from you

and my covenant of peace will not be shaken,”

says your compassionate LORD. (Isaiah 54:1-10)

READER: This is the good news that brings us hope and joy. Together, we pray:

EVERYONE: We receive it with grateful and believing hearts. In Jesus’ mighty name, Amen.

READER: You may now be seated

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(Isaiah 54:1, CSB)

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(Isaiah 54:4, CSB)

Indeed, your husband is your Maker—His name is the LORD of Armies—and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer; He is called the God of the whole earth.

(Isaiah 54:5, CSB)

Where has shame caused you to believe something about yourself that God never said about you?

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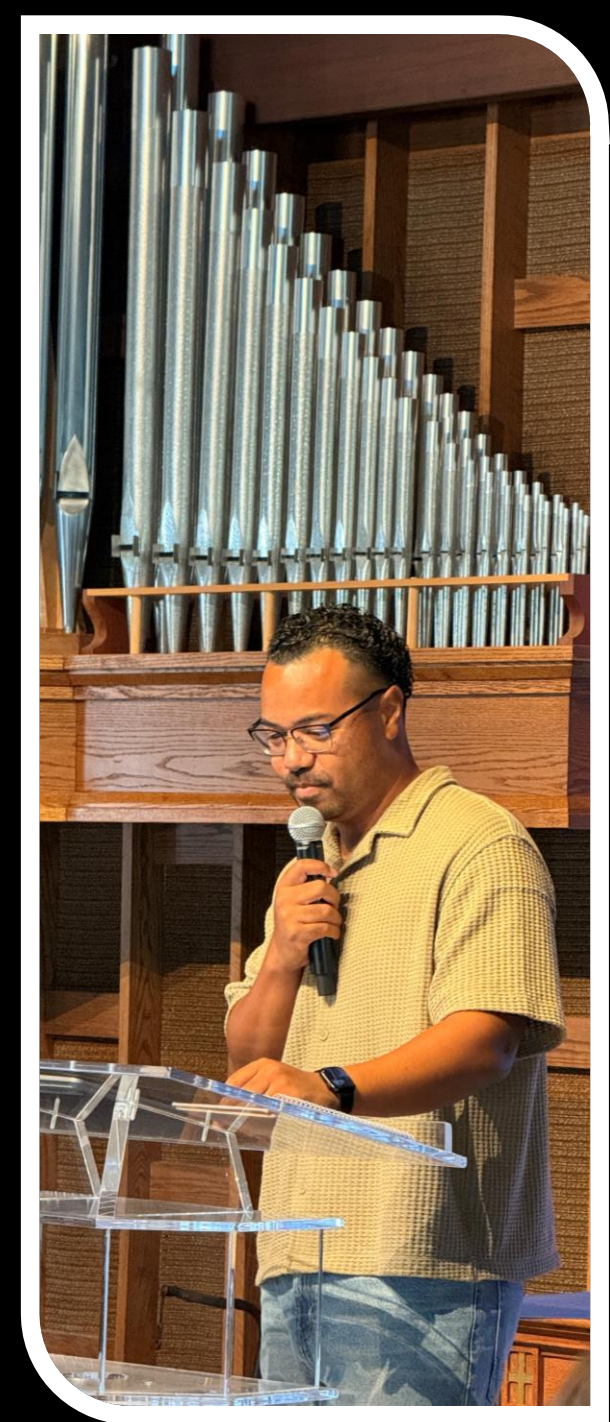
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(Isaiah 54:3, CSB)

To not allow what has been....

to shrink our vision of what God can restore



Where is God inviting you to dream bigger about His
restorative work in your life?

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(Isaiah 54:10, CSB)

“For the Scripture says, ‘Everyone who believes on him **will not be put to shame.**’”

Romans 10:11, CSB

“Those who look to him are radiant with joy; their faces will never be ashamed.”

Psalms 34:5, CSB

“Keeping our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. For the joy that lay before him, he endured the cross, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Hebrews 12:2, CSB

REJOICE - because in Jesus, your shame does not get the final word.

ENLARGE - because Jesus is not finished restoring you.

REST - because even when everything else shakes, His love for you will not.