

## Chapter 35

Strengthen all weary hands, steady all trembling knees,  
and say to all faint hearts "Courage! Do not be afraid.  
The Lord is coming to save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
the ears of the deaf unsealed.

Then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy.

Exiles will return to Zion shouting for joy,  
everlasting joy on their faces.

Joy and gladness will go with them.  
Sorrow and lament will be ended.

Lord, please heal the friends I know  
who are blind, deaf, dumb....

## Chapters 36 – 40

"Console my people, console them." says the Lord.

A voice cries out

"Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord.

Make a straight highway for our God across every desert.

Let every valley be filled in,  
every mountain and hill be laid low.

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed  
and all people will see the Lord's glory."

Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion.

Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem.

Shout to the towns of Judah "Here is your God."

Lord, please help me prepare your way  
into my heart, into my family, into my world