

How Big Is Your God? (Isaiah 40)

Six things God offers you in difficult times...

I. The comfort you can experience – *The God who sympathizes* (vv. 1-2)

#1. The need comfort addresses (v. 1)

#2. The relief comfort brings (v. 2)

II. The control you can trust – *The God who is sovereign* (vv. 3-5)

#1. The provision of God's control – His timing (vv. 3-4)

#2. The purpose of God's control – His glory (v. 5)

III. The promises you can believe – *The God who is steadfast* (vv. 6-8)

#1. The transience of human life – "the grass withers" (vv. 6-7)

#2. The durability of God's Word – "the word... will stand forever" (v. 8)

IV. The peace you can embrace – *The God who is shepherd* (vv. 9-11)

#1. The mighty strength of God's peace – "his arm rules" (vv. 9-10)

#2. The gentle care of God's peace – "he will gather... in his arms" (v. 11)

V. The greatness you can see – *The God who is superior* (vv. 12-26)

#1. God's greatness viewed from below – An angle from earth (vv. 12-20)

- A. God is great in His power (v. 12)
- B. God is great in His wisdom (vv. 13-14)
- C. God is great in His majesty (vv. 15-17)
- D. God is great in His immensity (vv. 18-20)

#2. God's greatness viewed from above – An angle from heaven (vv. 21-26)

- A. God is great in His transcendence (vv. 21-24)
- B. God is great in His reign (vv. 25-26)

VI. The strength you can obtain – *The God who is supreme* (vv. 27-31)

#1. The uniqueness of God's strength – it's tailor-made for you (v. 27)

#2. The incomprehensibility of God's strength – it's greater than you (vv. 28-30)

#3. The availability of God's strength – it's waiting for you (v. 31)