"A BLOSSOM"

The promise of God showing his glory and splendor to a parched land produces great joy in the Christian and empowers us to be strong and steady until that time fully comes.
Isaiah 35:1-10 / December 9, 2018

1. THE SPLENDOR OF GOD IN THE DESERT – (v.1-2)

"The desert and the parched land will be glad."

- "Rejoice greatly …"
- "Shout for joy …"
- "See the splendor of the Lord."

"I cared for you in the wilderness, in the land of drought." — Hosea 13:5

"For the Lord your God has blessed you in all that you have done; He has known your wanderings through this great wilderness; these forty years the Lord your God has been with you; you have not lacked a thing." – Deut. 2:7

"God gave them bread from heaven to eat." – John 6:31

2. THE STRENGTH OF GOD FOR THE WEARY – (v.3-6a)

"Strengthen the feeble hands, steady the knees that give way."

- "Strengthen …"
- "Steady …"
- "Say to those with fearful hearts …"

"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not faint." – Isaiah 40:31

3. THE SPRINGS OF GOD FOR THE THIRSTY – (v.6b-7)

"Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert."

- "Streams in the desert."
- "Thirsty ground becomes bubbling springs."
- "Grass, reeds, and papyrus will grow."

"They did not thirst when He led them through the deserts. He made the water flow out of the rock for them; He split the rock and the water gushed forth." – Isaiah 48:21

4. THE SECURITY OF GOD FOR THE WALK – (v.8-10)

"No lion or any ferocious beast will be there, only the redeemed will walk there."

- "Enter with singing."
- "Everlasting joy will crown their heads."
- "Gladness and joy will overtake them."

"Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life.'" – John 14:6

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." – Revelation 21:4