

I. THEME OF THE SECTION - DELIVERANCE

A. Chapters 1-39 - Warning

B. Chapters 40 - 66 - Promise

II. STRUCTURE OF THE SECTION

A. All one piece

B. Three distinct parts

1. 40-48 The Promise of Deliverance

2. 49-57 The Deliverer

3. 58-66 The Outworking of Deliverance

III. RECIPIENT OF THE SECTION

- A. People to whom Isaiah spoke directly
 - 1. Possibly the end of Hezekiah's reign
 - 2. Possibly the early part of Manasseh's reign
 - 3. Possibly both
- B. People of the late part of the Babylonian captivity
- C. People of Jesus Christ's day
- D. Us

IV. INTRODUCTION TO THE SECTION - ISAIAH 40:1-8

- A. Comfort My people. Isaiah 40:1-2
- B. Clear the way for the Lord. Isaiah 40:3-5
- C. The Word of our God stands forever. Isaiah 40:6-8