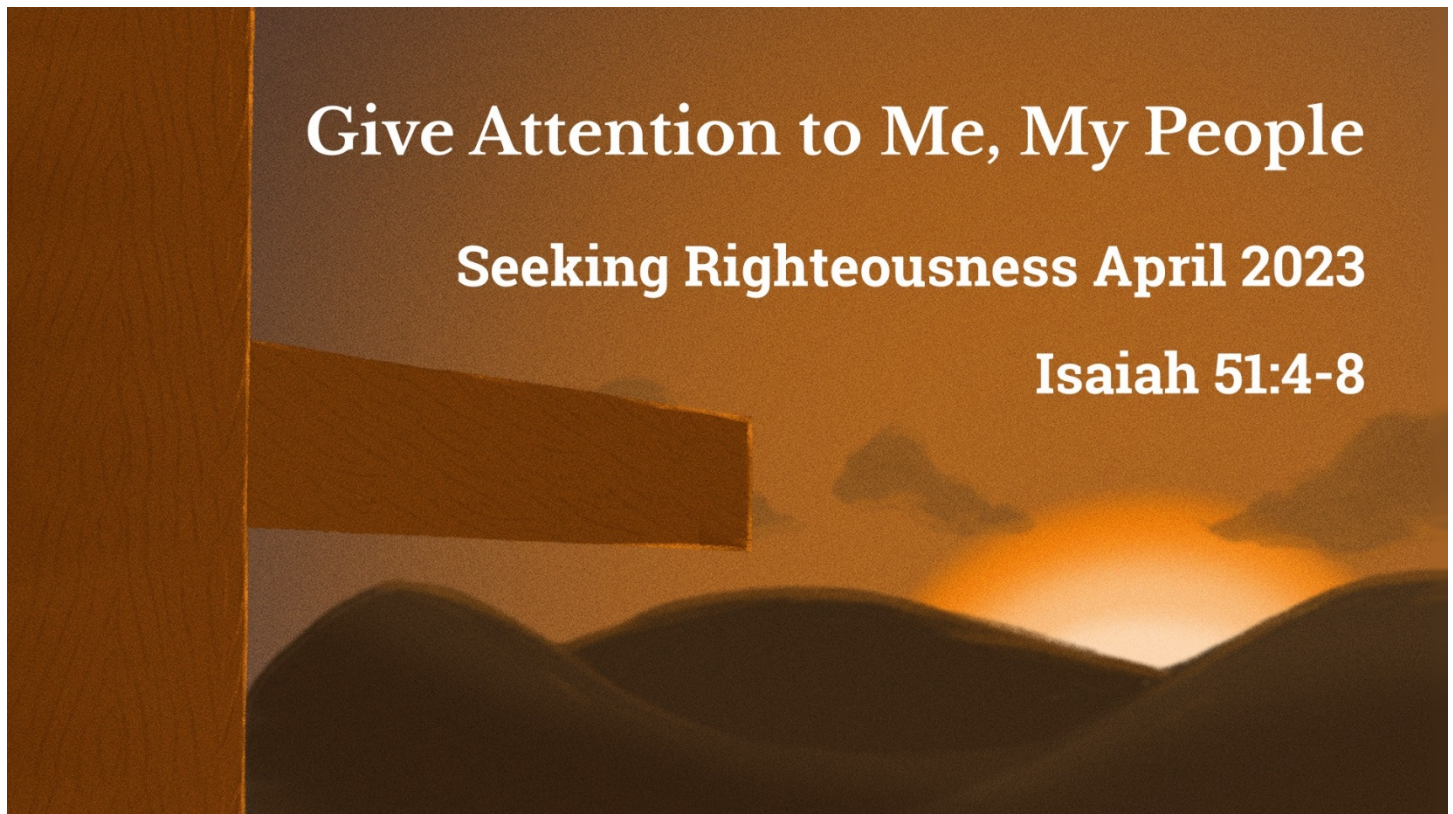


# Give Attention to Me, My People

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Seeking righteousness is a key characteristic of those who anticipate salvation from God.



## Isaiah 51:4-8 ESV

<sup>4</sup> “Give attention to me, my people,  
and give ear to me, my nation;  
for a law will go out from me,  
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup> My righteousness draws near,  
my salvation has gone out,  
and my arms will judge the peoples;  
the coastlands hope for me,  
and for my arm they wait.

<sup>6</sup> Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens vanish like smoke,

the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;  
but my salvation will be forever,  
and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

<sup>7</sup> “Listen to me, you who know righteousness,  
the people in whose heart is my law;  
fear not the reproach of man,  
nor be dismayed at their revilings.

<sup>8</sup> For the moth will eat them up like a garment,  
and the worm will eat them like wool,  
but my righteousness will be forever,  
and my salvation to all generations.”

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## Strive for Purity of Heart

**Romans 12:2 ESV**

<sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

**Ephesians 5:26 ESV**

<sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,

## Submit to God's Will

**Romans 12:1-2 ESV**

<sup>1</sup> I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

**Romans 10:3 ESV**

<sup>3</sup> For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness.

## Remain Steadfast to Seek Righteousness

**James 1:12 ESV**

<sup>12</sup> Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

**Psalms 33:5 ESV**

<sup>5</sup> He loves righteousness and justice;  
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

**Psalms 36:10 ESV**

<sup>10</sup> Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
and your righteousness to the upright of heart!

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## **Psalm 103:17 ESV**

<sup>17</sup> But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children,

## **Isaiah 16:5 ESV**

<sup>5</sup> then a throne will be established in steadfast love, and on it will sit in faithfulness in the tent of David one who judges and seeks justice and is swift to do righteousness.”

## **Jeremiah 9:24 ESV**

<sup>24</sup> but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the LORD.”

## **Hosea 10:12 ESV**

<sup>12</sup> Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap steadfast love; break up your fallow ground, for it is the time to seek the LORD, that he may come and rain righteousness upon you.

