

The Lord's Comfort for Zion

51 "Listen to me, you who pursue
righteousness,

you who seek the Lord:

look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

² Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
that I might bless him and multiply him.

³ For the Lord comforts Zion;
he comforts all her waste places
and makes her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the Lord;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴ "Give attention to me, my people,
and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law^[a] will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the
peoples.

⁵ 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.