

I talk to a lot of people? When you ask someone how they're doing, you know what the most common answer is?

Weariness. Tired.

**Are you weary?**

- 1) WORK makes you weary. You spend many hours for your job.
- 2) RESPONSIBILITIES make you weary.
- 3) RELATIONSHIPS make you weary.
- 4) CRITICISM makes you weary.
- 5) POLITICS makes you weary
- 6) SICKNESS makes you weary.
- 7) TIME management. Video games. Social media.
- 8) FINANCES make you weary.
- 9) RAISING KIDS
- 10) FAITH

Sometimes you feel like  
THE AZURE WINDOW

Rock formation on the Island of Malta, after being described since the 1700s falls into the sea last year.

**The Israelites in Isaiah's day were weary**

- 1) Weary POLITICALLY. Corrupt kings.
- 2) Weary in terms of the FUTURE. Northern kingdom about to fall.
- 3) Weary in FAITH.

28 Do you not know?  
Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.  
29 He gives strength to the weary  
and increases the power of the weak.  
30 Even youths grow tired and weary,  
and young men stumble and fall;  
31 but 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 be faint.

### **God Came To Israel**

- 1) Book of Isaiah is filled with a discussion about RENEWAL
- 2) The Messiah will declares God's RESCUE. MESSIANIC prophecies.

EAGLE FLIGHT – Elevator example. Burden lifted –

### **God comes: GOSPEL LESSON**

- 1) RENEWAL: Healing, driving out demons
- 2) RESCUE

### **We Come – Epistle Lesson**

- 1) We walk beside our brothers and sisters in COMPASSION
- 2) We help carry burdens.

### **Interesting Story**

## **WHEN YOUR HUT IS ON FIRE**

The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for GOD to rescue him. Every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming. Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect himself from the elements, and to store his few possessions.

One day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, with smoke rolling up to the sky. He felt the worst had happened, and everything was lost. He was stunned with disbelief, grief, and anger. He cried out, "GOD! How could you do this to me?"

Early the next day, he was awakened by the sound of a ship approaching the island! It had come to rescue him! "How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied.

The Moral of This Story: It's easy to get discouraged when things are going bad, but we shouldn't lose heart, because GOD is at work in our lives, even in the midst of our pain and suffering. Remember that the next time your little hut seems to be burning to the ground, it just may be a smoke signal that summons the Grace of GOD.