

THE INITIATIVE OF GOD

- Isaiah 42:10-43:7
- Praise is the proper response to God's deliverance (42:10-17)
 - Even when you cannot sense it, God is at work
 - Do we believe God is working in this world to a particular end – to show Himself mighty?
- Spiritual indifference leads to God's chastening (42:18-25)
 - Evil does bring bad things, but also God brings judgment
 - Do we believe God is working in us to a particular end – refining His people?
- Grace manifests itself in God's love for us (43:1-7)
 - God reaches out to us first – for redemption
 - Do we believe God made each of us, calls us by name and loves us?

- Never doubt God's love for you – He takes the initiative – have you responded to His love?

