Isaiah 40:1-11

1Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. 2  Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her hard service has been completed, that her sin has been paid for, that she has received from the Lord’s hand double for all her sins.

3 A voice of one calling: “In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. 4 Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. 5 And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

6A voice says, “Cry out.”And I said, “What shall I cry?”

“All men are like grass, and their glory is like the flowers of the field. 7The grass withers and the flowers fall, because the breath of the Lord blows on them. Surely the people are grass. 8The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever.”

9You who bring good tidings to Zion, go up on a high mountain. You who bring good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with a shout, lift it up, do not be afraid; say to the towns of Judah, “Here is your God!” 10See, the Sovereign Lord comes with power, and his arm rules for him. See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him. 11He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young.

COMFORT, COMFORT MY PEOPLE

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1-2 GRACE

 2 Chronicles 36:20-23

3-5 PROVIDENCE

 Matthew 3:1-4

 Luke 1:11-17; Luke 3:15-18

 John 1:29-34

6-8 ASSURANCE

 1 Peter 1:22-25

9-11 HOPE

 ▪ A New Hope

 ▪ A New King

 ▪ A new Shepherd