

1. 先祷告：(求天父帮助自己安静和专注)

2. 读经文： **以赛亚书 第47章**

3. 想一想：(★主要思考建议)

- ★ 巴比伦曾被神用来管教以色列民，但他却欺压过分（6节），而最大的失败是骄傲自大（8节）、倚靠聪明行恶（10节），因此神要使祸患临到他们（11节），以致他们谋算的只会使自己疲倦，徒劳无功（12~15节）！今天神使用我们在不同岗位上服侍，我们会否以为是可以靠自己力量而骄傲？神对巴比伦的警戒给我们什么提醒？

4. 读经文： **以赛亚书 第48章**

5. 想一想：(★主要思考建议)

- ★ 以色列民虽然口称是属耶和華的子民，却没有诚实地实行（1~2节）。耶和華明知他们是叛逆的（8节），却愿意用预言未来要发生的事，帮助他们确信神的能力与信实（3~8节）。神一直因自己的信实容忍以色列民（9~11节），甚至用苦难熬炼他们（10节）。以色列民没有什么特点值得耶和華神拣选、爱他们！祂只说：「我必不将我的荣耀归给假神！」（11节）真神无需要与假神争斗，只是神选民的叛逆让神的荣耀受到亏损！可知道今天当我们忘记神的救恩走自己的路，我们是如何亏欠那位拣选我们、为我们钉十字架的主？
- 「耶和華你的救赎主，以色列的圣者如此说：我是耶和華你的神，教训你使你得益处，引导你所当行的路。甚愿你素来听从我的命令，你的平安就如河水……」（17~18节）再次给以色列民很大的提醒。祂是救赎主、圣者，祂要给祂子民的是祝福，让他们得平安！今天我们都或会向神求平安，可有想到要得平安，便要走在祂所指引的路中？神曾带领以色列民走过旷野路（21节），这条路或许世人不认为是平安的路，但神却保守他们四十年什么都不缺（参申八4，廿九5）！至于恶人的路却不得平安（22节）！今天我们想得平安吗？会选择走哪条路？

6. 当祷告：亲爱的天父，谢谢祢\_\_\_\_\_，  
求祢帮助我\_\_\_\_\_，奉主耶稣名求，阿们！

7. 速行动：耶和華带领我们走义路，我愿意\_\_\_\_\_！

8. 金句（或本章要点）\_\_\_\_\_

**1.Pray** (Heavenly Father, please quiet my heart and focus my mind)

**2.Read:**

## Isaiah Chapter 47

**3.Ponder** (★key point to ponder)

- ★ God used Babylon to discipline the Israelites. Yet, the Babylonians abused the Israelites harshly (v. 6). Their biggest failure was being arrogant (v. 8) and to do evil with their wisdom and knowledge(v. 10). As a result, God allowed disasters to come upon them (v. 11). All their plans and strategies would wear them out; all their efforts would be in vain (v. 12-15)! Today, God places us in different positions to serve. Do we take pride in our own abilities? What does God's warning against Babylon remind us of?

**4.Read:**

## Isaiah Chapter 48

**5.Ponder** (★key point to ponder)

- ★ Although the Israelites claimed to be the Lord's people, they did not act faithfully as they were supposed to (v. 1-2). The Lord knew they were rebellious (v. 8), but He was willing to foretell them the future in order to assure them of God's power and faithfulness (v. 3-8). With His faithfulness, God had been tolerating the Israelites (v. 9-11), and He also refined them through hardships (v. 10). The Israelites had nothing special that was worthy to be chosen and loved by God! Yet, God said, "I will not yield My glory to another" (v. 11). The true God does not need to compete with false ones. It is actually the rebellion of God's chosen people that has fallen short of God's glory! Do you know how we would disgrace the Lord who was crucified for us and has chosen us if we forget God's grace and walk on our own way?
- "This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: 'I am the LORD your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go. If only you had paid attention to My commands, your peace would have been like a river...'" (v. 17-18). These verses are again a great reminder to the Israelites. God is the Redeemer, the Holy One; He wants to bless His people and give them peace! Today, we may ask God for peace, but do we realise that in order to enjoy peace, we must walk on the path that He guides? God once led the Israelites through the deserts (v. 21). The world may not agree that this is the path of peace, but God has protected the Israelites over forty years during which they lacked nothing (see Dt 8:4, 29:5)! As for the way of the wicked, there would be no peace (v. 22)! Do we want peace today? Which way would you choose?

**6.Pray:** Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for \_\_\_\_\_

Please help me to \_\_\_\_\_ In Jesus' name I pray, Amen!

**7.Act:** The Lord leads us on the path of righteousness. I am willing to \_\_\_\_\_

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**8.Key Verse** (or Key point) \_\_\_\_\_