

“What’s New With You?”

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Jonah 4:1-11

BIG IDEA: I must live as a new Creation.

*“Look, I am about to do something new;
even now it is coming.
Do you not see it?”
Isaiah 43:19a (CSB)*



Israel’s past.

- Israel had a remarkable past.
- Israel needed to move beyond their past.



Israel’s present.

- Israel must maintain a present witness.
- Israel must maintain a present hope.



Israel’s future.

- Israel’s future would not be a rerun.
- Israel’s future would be even more remarkable.

LIFE LESSONS FROM AN ANTIQUE DEALER



Consider the “NEW THING” God is doing in and through His Son, Jesus Christ:

- A NEW Creation.
- A NEW Birth.
- A NEW Life.
- A NEW Self.
- A NEW Heart.
- A NEW Spirit.
- A NEW Covenant.
- A NEW Commandment.
- A NEW Way.
- A NEW Strength.
- A NEW Name.
- A NEW Song.
- A NEW Heaven & Earth.

*“Then the one seated on the throne said,
“Look, I am making everything new.”
He also said, “Write, because these words are faithful and true.””
Revelation 21:5 (CSB)*

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Read: *Re-read Isaiah 43:1-21*

Think: Think about the “new thing” God was doing among the people of Israel, and then ask yourself the following questions: *What remarkable things did God do in Israel’s past? Why was it tempting for Israel to live in the past and ignore their present circumstances and look to the future God had for them? What was the “new thing” God had in mind for Israel? How do we live with “patches” and “old wine skins” today? Why are these inadequate for our relationship with God through Jesus Christ? What “new thing” does God have for those of us who are in Jesus Christ?*

Do: Which is easier for you to do: rest on your laurels or envision a better tomorrow? Of the “new things” mentioned in today’s message that belong to those of us who are in Christ, which is most meaningful to you now? Why?