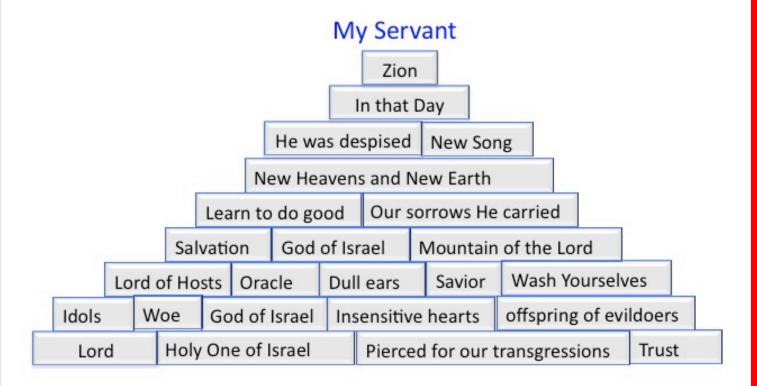
Isaiah



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Introduction

Lesson 1

I. Why this Study?

A. As Examples To Avoid.

- 1. "6 Now these things happened as examples for us, that we **should not crave evil things**, as they also craved." "11 Now these things happened to them **as an example**, and they were **written for our instruction**, upon whom the ends of the ages have come." 1 Cor. 10:1-11 (NASB).
- 2. Six OT examples are provided (vs. 5-10) showing evil practices we should avoid.
- 3. Our instruction provides the way God deals with this wickedness and the warnings of how to avoid.

B. We May Have Hope In Christ Jesus.

- 1. "4 For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. 5 Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus", Rom. 15:3-6 (NASB).
- 2. This hope is not any hope but is the one hope we have in Christ Jesus. Interestingly, the Holy Spirit says we can read the OT to build-up and reenforce this hope. No better book in the OT to do this than Isaiah because of the number and extent of Messianic Prophecies.

C. Build our faith in God's Purpose for the OT.

- 1. "For **Christ** is the **end** (goal, NASB footnote) of the **law** for righteousness to everyone who believes", Rom. 10:4.
- 2. Christ Jesus is the focal point of the OT to bring about His plan of making man right with God.
- 3. Of all the books in OT, Isaiah is the most concentrated book of Messianic Prophecies.

II. Objectives.

- A. Increase our faith in the majesty of Jehovah, the existing One.
- B. Increase our trust in God for the salvation provided through His Son.
- C. Answer the 100 questions in the review section.
- D. Satisfy the lesson plan for this study provided by the elders (see end of this lesson).

III. Study Approach.

- A. Three teaching styles will be employed in this study: topical, detailed verse-byverse analyses of key chapters and sectional analyses of remaining chapters. The purpose of these styles is to maximize our enrichment of these Scriptures for this long and difficult book in a 3-month time frame.
- B. Multiple readings of Isaiah are necessary for this study. You are encouraged to do casual reading, detailed study and meditation along with prayer.
- C. There will be numerous markings of the text and labeling chapters and sections of text. A NASB copy of Isaiah is provided in the back of the notebook. It is suggested for the markings to utilize the computer to find the words and mark them. Then go back and read the text with the markings noted. For those who do not have access to a computer, a list of verses for the markings can be provided upon request.
- D. Review is important to learning and remembering important concepts this book presents. A five-minute review will begin each class utilizing the questions in the review section.
- E. At the end of each lesson, about 5 minutes will be spent applying learning's to practical applications in our lives today.

IV. Class Schedule.

Date	Subject
1. Dec. 2(Sunday)	Introduction.
2. Dec. 5	6 W Questions.
3. Dec. 9	Jehovah – The Existing One.
4. Dec. 12	Messianic Prophecies.
5. Dec. 16	Salvation & Trust in the Lord.
6. Dec. 19	Building Blocks – Key Words & Phrases.
7. Dec. 23	Historical Background (Chapters 36-39).

8. Dec. 26	Chapter 1 (V=Verse by Verse Analyses).
9. Dec. 30	Chapters 2-5 (S=Sectional Analyses).
10. Jan. 2(Wednesday)	Chapter 6 (V).
11. Jan. 6	Chapters 7-10 (S).
12. Jan. 9	Chapters 11-12 (V).
13. Jan. 13	Chapters 13-20 (S).
14. Jan. 16	Chapters 21-27 (S).
Jan. 20	Gospel Meeting.
15. Jan. 23	Chapters 28-35 (S).
16. Jan. 27	Chapters 40-41 (V).
17. Jan. 30	Chapter 42 (V).
18. Feb. 3(Sunday)	Chapters 43-48 (S).
19. Feb. 6	Chapter 49 (V).
20. Feb. 10	Chapters 50-52 (S).
21. Feb. 13	Chapter 53 (V).
22. Feb. 17	Chapters 54-57 (S).
23. Feb. 20	Chapters 58-62 (S).
24. Feb. 24	Chapters 63-65 (S).

V. Characteristics of the Book.

- A. Very figurative like Revelation, Jeremiah and other such prophetic books. Isaiah draws us pictures through medium of words of visions he saw (Isa. 1:1 *The vision of Isaiah*, 21:2 "A harsh vision has been shown to me"). These visions are normally figurative and use objects that are familiar and have special meaning to the Jews of that time.
- B. Book is a combination of Messianic prophecies, historical accounts (Chap. 36-39), psalms/songs (5:1-7, 25:1-26:21, 38:9-22), oracles on nations and woes upon certain groups of people.
- C. In Isaiah, the prophet is a "time traveler" from the Assyrian and Babylonian Periods to the Messianic Period and back and forth -- this happens very abruptly throughout the book.
 - 1. Isa. 28:14-16, 18<u>.</u>
 - "14 ¶Therefore, hear the word of the LORD, O scoffers, Who rule this people who are in Jerusalem, 15 Because you have said, "We have made a covenant with death, And with Sheol we have made a pact. The overwhelming scourge will not reach us when it passes by, For we have made falsehood our refuge and we have concealed ourselves with deception." 16 Therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a tested stone, A costly cornerstone for the foundation, firmly placed. He who believes in it will not be disturbed. ...18 "And your covenant with death shall be canceled, And your pact with Sheol shall not stand; When the overwhelming scourge passes through, Then you become its trampling place."
 - 2. In this section of text, the prophet is rebuking the rulers of Jerusalem who made a covenant with death.
 - 3. In verse 16 and 17, he jumps to the Messianic Age and talks about Christ. We know this because this verse in quoted in NT (I Pet. 2:6, Rom. 9:33, Rom. 10:11).
 - 4. Then in verse18, the prophet jumps right back to the rebuking.
- D. There are over 100 geographic terms utilized in the book talking about places and people throughout the world.
- E. There are judgments (oracles/burdens) on 10 nations.
- F. One of the most Messianic Book in the Old Testament. Of all the OT books, Isaiah has the second most Messianic Prophecies (47x vs. Psalms 51x) in the NT than the other OT books.
- G. Isaiah in many prophecies uses past tense of coming events as if they already occurred. This is known as prophetic perfect tense.
 - 1. Isa. 53:1-3.
 - "1 Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? 2 For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, And like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty That we should look upon Him, Nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him. 3 He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face, He was despised, and we did not esteem Him."
 - 2. This well-known Messianic Prophecy is written in the past tense. Interesting some parts of this prophecy is written in future tense, see 52:13-15.

- Different versions will sometimes render the prophetic perfect in future tense and other versions in past tense. Examine Isa. 9:1-4 for NASB, ASV and KJV.
- H. A very difficult book considering these characteristics and its length (66 chapters).
- I. Some prophecies have a dual fulfillment.
- J. There are places in Isaiah where the Son of God will be talking in the first person, 49:1-6, 50:4-9.
- K. Most of book written in poetic (or rhythmic structure) style of writing whereas the rest is written in prose (or narrative) form.

Poetic Style

Isaiah 1

New American Standard Bible (NASB)

- **1** The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz concerning Judah and Jerusalem, which he saw during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Juda
- Listen, O heavens, and hear, O earth; For the LORD speaks, "Sons I have reared and brought up, But they have revolted against Me.
- "An ox knows its owner,
 And a donkey its master's manger,
 But Israel does not know,
 My people do not understand."

Prose Style

Isaiah 36

New American Standard Bible (NASB)

36 Now in the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and seized them. ² And the kin of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem to King Hezekiah with a large army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool on the highway of t fuller's field. ³ Then Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, at Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph, the recorder, came out to him.

VI. Keys of Interpretation (not unique to Book of Isaiah).

A. Context.

1. Sometimes the subject of the text is not always at the beginning but may be at the middle or end of the section.

Isa. 60:4-14

 $\underline{4}$ "Lift up your eyes round about, and see; They all gather together, they come to you. Your sons will come from afar, And your daughters will be carried in the arms. $\underline{5}$ "Then you will see and be radiant, And your heart will thrill and rejoice;

Because the abundance of the sea will be turned to you, The wealth of the nations will come to you. 14 "And the sons of those who afflicted you will come bowing to you, And all those who despised you will bow themselves at the soles of your feet; And they will call you the city of the LORD, The **Zion** of the Holy One of Israel. The **subject** is about **Zion** in verse 14.

2. Once the subject is identified, go back and read the text again with the subject in mind.

B. Harmony.

- 1. For this book, harmony is important to understand the meaning of some prophecies because the interpretations may be found in NT.
- C. Identify **anchors** to pin down the interpretation.
 - 1. In the following text, is the person in question Isaiah, Israel or the Messiah? Isa. 49:1-7
 - 1 ¶ Listen to Me, O islands, And pay attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called Me from the womb; From the body of My mother He named Me. 2 And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword; In the shadow of His hand He has concealed Me, And He has also made Me a select arrow; He has hidden Me in His quiver. 3 And He said to Me, "You are My Servant, Israel, In Whom I will show My glory ... 6 He says, "It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the nations So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth."
 - 2. The question is answered in Acts 13:47 where it is applied to the Messiah.
 - 3. Go back and re-read and study the text with this anchor established.
 - 4. It may be possible that even though an anchor is established, there may be a dual fulfillment. Other indicators in the text should highlight this.
- D. Parallelism in poetic writing.
 - 1. In some poetic writing, short sentences or phrases are written and are often written in parallel statements.
 - 2. There are the following 3 types of parallelism:
 - a. Synonymous: parallel statements are similar in meaning.
 - b. Constructive: the second statement builds upon the first.
 - c. Antithetic: the parallel statements are opposite in meaning.
 - 3. The book of Isaiah contains a lot of synonymous and constructive parallelism.
 - Synonymous parallelism can be used to define words from the other similar phrases/sentences. In addition, a complicated statement may be explained by the parallel phrase.
 - a. 24:21 --

"So it will happen in that day,

That the LORD will punish the host of heaven, on high,

And the kings of the earth, on earth."

- b. Who is the host of heaven?
- c. This is synonymous parallelism host of heaven = kings of the earth.
- E. **Several different words** or phrases may have very **similar meaning** in certain passages.

Zion ~ Jerusalem ~ My Holy Mountain.

4:3 66:20

- F. Sometimes in Isaiah the **same words** have **different meanings**.
 - 1. Jerusalem ~ city (physical) 7:1.

- 2. Jerusalem ~ inhabitants 5:3.
- 3. Jerusalem ~ Zion (spiritual) 2:3.
- 4. Jerusalem ~ remnant in Babylonian Captivity 40:2.
- G. There are some prophecies where the specific meaning may be unknown. It is OK to say we do not know rather than extend an interpretation beyond our ability to defend it. Our chore is to capture the truths of what has been revealed.

VII. Student Expectations.

A. Every capable student is expected to spend some time outside of class in working on their Bible lessons <u>before class</u>.

- 1. Act 2:42 -- "They were **continually devoting** themselves to the apostles' teaching."
- 2. Acts 17:11 -- "Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, **examining the Scriptures daily** to see whether these things were so."
- 3. Eph. 4:3 "**Endeavoring** to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.", KJV.
- 4. Eph. 6:11 "**Put on the full armor of God**, that you may be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil.".

B. There are four parts to each Bible lesson as described below. These tasks are listed in priority order and should be completed before class. At a minimum, complete reading the text.

- 1. Read the text. A reading program has been setup based on the amount of time you are willing to invest. See the details under the tab labeled "Text".
- 2. Review lesson material and answer questions.
- **3. Answer review questions from past lessons.** See the details under the tab labeled "Review".
- **4.** Do the word markings on the provided text. See the details under the tab labeled "Text".
- C. Complete answering the 100 review questions.

VIII. Instructor Expectations.

- A. I will do my best to "rightly dividing the word of truth", II Tim. 2:15, KJV.
- B. Your honest and forthcoming comments will assist me in accomplishing my mandate.
- C. Sometimes I will ask students to answer questions without asking for volunteers. This is not meant to embarrass anyone but to encourage us to complete the lessons.
- D. Any question asked in class will be repeated for others to hear and for the audio capture.
- E. Any question not answered in class will be addressed at the beginning of the next class.

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X. Lesson Plan.

A. Understandings: What do you want the class to know after the quarter?

- 1. Who Isaiah prophesied to.
- 2. When he prophesied (approximate dates).
- 3. He prophesied during the reigns of which kings.
- 4. Generally, the political, spiritual, and moral state in Judah when Isaiah prophesied.
- 5. What kind of prophecy is Isaiah particularly noted for (Messianic).
- 6. A six-point outline of the major sections of the book.
- 7. Contemporary writing prophet (Micah).
- 8. Four Messianic "Servant" psalm chapters.
- 9. The chapter in Isaiah the Ethiopian of Acts 8 was reading from.
- 10. New Testament uses by Christ and prophets infallibly interpret Isaiah.

B. Skills: What do you want the class to be able to do after the lessons?

- 1. Answer the ten questions under "Understandings" above.
- 2. Find Isaiah in their Bibles adeptly (knowledge of the OT books will facilitate this).
- 3. Interpret sections (verse, paragraph, larger sections) in Isaiah based on context and harmony rather than completely relying on other sources (this is not to exclude the use of other resources, but to enable a person to confidently test what they say).

C. Attitudes: What attitudes do you want to develop as a result of the lessons?

- 1. A greater appreciation of the Messianic nature of Isaiah's prophecy.
- 2. A deeper faith in Christ as the fulfillment of OT prophesies.
- 3. An increased willingness to study the book of Isaiah growing out of a better understanding and increased confidence of being able to understand it.
- 4. A heightened awareness of the attitudes and conduct Isaiah warned about.

Síx "W" Questíons

Lesson 2

I. Who Wrote the Book? - Isaiah, The Man.

- A. Authorship.
 - 1. Titles of books were added by men to reflect content or author.
 - 2. Little dispute that Isaiah is the author.
 - 3. The writings claim to be written by Isaiah. Isa. 1:1 "The vision of Isaiah", 2:2 "The word which Isaiah saw..." 30:8 "Now go (Isaiah, RR), write it on a tablet before them And inscribe it on a scroll, That it may serve in the time to come As a witness forever."
 - 4. The NT has many quotes from the entire book that attribute Isaiah as the author. Luke 3:4 "as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT" from Is. 40:3.
 - 5. The complete manuscript of Isaiah was discovered at Qumran in 1947 and dates back to second century before Christ and has no break between chapters 39 and 40.
- B. Meaning of Name. What does the word Isaiah mean? Look up in Bible Dictionary, Strongs or other sources.
- C. Family Background.
 - 1. Who was Isaiah's father? (1:1, 2:1, 13:1).
 - 2. What was Isaiah's wife called? (8:3).
 - 3. How many sons did Isaiah have? (7:3, 8:1,3) What are their names? What do these names mean?
 - 4. Evidently lived in Jerusalem (7:3). There is no record of him outside the city even though he has an intimate knowledge of the world places, people and customs.
- D. Facts About.
 - 1. Most quoted OT prophet in NT (21 quotations of Isaiah).
 - 2. From secular writings, Isaiah known as the "Messianic Prophet", "Dean of the OT Prophets".
 - 3. Other writings about King Uzziah (II Chron. 26:22) and King Hezekiah (II Chron. 32:32).
- E. Character.

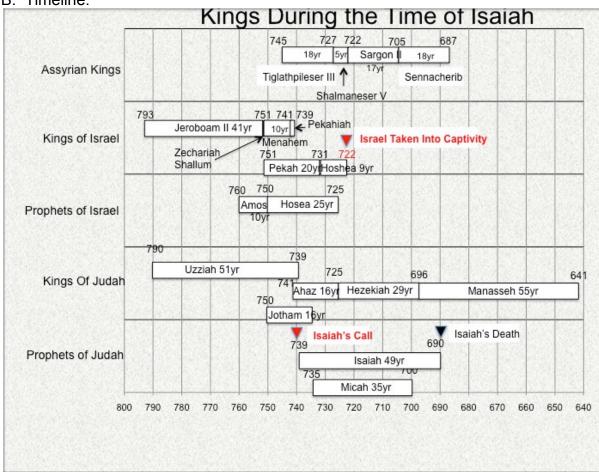
II. To Whom was it written?

- A. Who was the book primary written to? (1:1).
- B. Where there other intended recipients of the letter

III. When was it written?

A. Isa. 1:1 "during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah". 739-690 BC, 50 year period. Began his writing at the end of King Uzziah's reign (6:1 "In the year of King Uzziah's death") when he received his call to work from the Lord.

B. Timeline.



			Length-	
Assyrian Kings	Re	<u>ign</u>	Yrs.	<u>Scriptures</u>
Tiglath-pileser III (Pul)	745	727	18	2 Ki. 15:19-20, 29; 16:7-10; 2 Chron. 28:20-21; 1 Chron.
				5:6, 25-26
Shalmaneser V	727	722	5	2 Ki. 17:3-5, 18:9
Sargon II	722	705	17	2 Ki. 17:6, 24-27; 2 Ki. 18:10-12
Sennacherib	705	687	18	2 Ki. 18:13, 17; 2 Ki. 19:35-37; 2 Chron. 32:1-21, Isa. 36:1
Kings of Israel				
Jeroboam II	793	752	41	2 Ki. 14:23-29
Zechariah	751	751	0.5	2 Ki. 15:8-15
Shallum	751	751	1 mo.	2 Ki. 15:8-15
Menahem	751	741	10	2 Ki. 15:16-22
Pekahiah	741	739	2	2 Ki. 15:23-26
Pekah	751	731	20	2 Ki. 15:27-31; 16:1,5
Hoshea	731	722	9	2 Ki. 17:1-5
Prophets of Israel				
Amos	760	750	10	
Hosea	750	725	25	
Kings of Judah				
Uzziah (Azariah)	790	739	51	2 Ki. 14:21; 15:1-7, 2 Chron. 26
Jotham	750	734	16	2 Ki. 15:32-38; 2 Chron. 27
Ahaz	741	725	16	2 Ki. 16; 2 Chron. 28
Hezekiah	725	696	29	2 Ki. 16; 2 Cilion. 26
Manasseh	696	641	55	2 Chron. 29; 30; 31; 32
Hullussell	030	0.71	33	2 01110111. 23, 30, 31, 32
Prophets of Judah				
Isaiah	739	690	49	
Micah	735	700	35	

- C. Literary prophets contemporary with Isaiah were Amos (760-750BC) and Hosea (750-725 BC) who both prophesied mainly to Israel; and Micah (735-700 BC) who prophesied to Judah.
- D. Four time references:
 - 1. 6:1 "In the year of King Uzziah's death".
 - 2. 7:1 "Now it came about in the days of Ahaz ...Rezin the king of Aram...went up to Jerusalem to wage war".
 - 3. 14:28 "In the year that King Ahaz died this oracle came".
 - 4. 20:1 "In the year that the commander came to Ashdod, when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him".

IV. Where was it written?

A. Jerusalem.

V. Why was it written?

- A. To warn Judah to repent or face judgment by Assyria. 1:16, 19-20 "16 Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; Remove the evil of your deeds from My sight. Cease to do evil, " 19 If you consent and obey, You will eat the best of the land; 20 "But if you refuse and rebel, You will be devoured by the sword..."
- B. The second half of the book was written to prepare the people for captivity and assure them of the return of a remnant.
- C. Trust in the Lord, He will provide comfort and salvation for His people.

VI. What is the theme of the Isaiah? Which one best represents the theme of the book?

- A. An exhortation to trust in the Holy One of Israel. Faith in the Lord would assure deliverance from their enemies and forgiveness of their transgressions. The Messiah to come and the glory of His age.
- B. The Lord will raise up a King who will rule in righteousness.
- C. Comforting announcement of the approaching deliverance and its attendant summons to repentance.
- D. Trust in the Lord, He will provide salvation to physical and spiritual Israel.

VII. What was it written?

- A. Two Divisions.
 - 1. Assyrian Period Chap. 1-39: Lord indictment of Judah and eventual deliverance from Assyria.
 - 2. Babylonia Period Chap. 40-66: Exhorts the captives to faithfulness and assurance of deliverance from Babylonian captivity.
- B. First Division by King.
 - 1. Uzziah-Jotham: Chap. 1 6.
 - 2. Ahaz: Chap. 7 -14.
 - 3. Hezekiah: Chap. 15-39.
- C. Six Division Outline. Mark the divisions on provided text in the right-hand margin.
 - 1. 1. The Lord's Charge Against Judah & Jerusalem (Chap. 1-12).
 - 2. 2. The Lord's Judgment Against Nations and World Judgment (Chap. 13-27).
 - 3. 3. The Lord is Only Source of Deliverance (Chap. 28-39).
 - 4. 4. The Lord vs. Idols (Chap. 40-48).
 - 5. 5. The Lord's Servant Will Bring Salvation through His Suffering (Chap. 49-57).
 - 6. 6. Future Glory for the Lord's People (Chap. 58-66).

D. Key Chapters.

- 1. Chap. 6: Isaiah's Call.
- 2. Chap. 13-23: Oracles against Certain Nations.
- 3. Chap. 36-39: Lord Saves Jerusalem from Assyria (identical record in 2 Ki. 18:13-20:19).
- 4. Chap. 42, 49, 50, 53: Four Messianic "Servant" Psalms.

E. Facts About.

- 1. Note: 66 Chapters = No. Books in Bible, 1st Division 39 Chapters = No. OT Books, 2nd Division 27 Chapters = No. NT Books.
- 2. One of the longest books in the Bible with 66 chapters. Jeremiah actually longer based on number of words. Ezekiel is equivalent in length.
- 3. More Messianic prophecies than any other OT book except Psalms.
- 4. Written in sections. See Section III.D. Time of Writing.

- F. Chapter Summaries. Mark the divisions on the provided text in the right-hand margin.
 - 1. Chap. 1: Judah has revolted against the Lord.
 - 2. Chap. 2-5: Jerusalem "Last Days" will be unlike present Jerusalem.
 - 3. Chap. 6: Isaiah's Call.
 - 4. Chap. 7-12: Messianic Prophecies intermingled with present national crises.
 - 5. Chap. 13-14: Oracle against Babylon.
 - 6. Chap. 15-16: Oracle against Moab.
 - 7. Chap. 17: Oracle against Damascus.
 - 8. Chap. 18-20: Oracle against Ethiopia and Egypt.
 - 9. Chap. 21: Oracle against Babylon, Edom and Arabia.
 - 10. Chap. 22: Oracle against Jerusalem.
 - 11. Chap. 23: Oracle against Tyre.
 - 12. Chap. 24-27: Lord punishes the world for their sins and delivers the righteous.
 - 13. Chap. 28: Woe to the proud leaders of Ephraim (Israel) and Jerusalem (Judah).
 - 14. Chap. 29: Woe to the City of Ariel (Jerusalem) and those who hide their plans from the Lord.
 - 15. Chap. 30: Woe to rebellious children who make alliances with Egypt.
 - 16. Chap. 31-32: Woe to those who rely on horses, chariots and horsemen.
 - 17. Chap. 33: Woe to the destroyer (Assyria).
 - 18. Chap. 34-35: Lords judges all nations for their sins and the righteous will be saved.
 - 19. Chap. 36-39: Lord saves Jerusalem from Assyrian Invasion and extends Hezekiah's Life.
 - 20. Chap. 40: Incomparable greatness of the Lord is the basis for comfort.
 - 21. Chap. 41: Lord challenges the idols to predict the future.
 - 22. Chap. 42-43: Lord's constant care for Israel.
 - 23. Chap. 44-45: The Lord, the only true God, will remember His people and deliver them.
 - 24. Chap. 46-48: Lord will bring judgment on Babylon.
 - 25. Chap. 49: The Lord's Servant is commissioned.
 - 26. Chap. 50-51: God's People are admonished to "Listen to Me".
 - 27. Chap. 52-53: The Vicarious Suffering Servant (Savior).
 - 28. Chap. 54-55: Future splendor of Zion is promised.
 - 29. Chap. 56-57: Eternal peace for the righteous and no peace for the wicked.
 - 30. Chap. 58: Blessing for those who delight in the Lord.
 - 31. Chap. 59: Israel's sins separated them from God.
 - 32. Chap. 60-62: Future glory of a restored Zion.
 - 33. Chap. 63-65: Israel's Prayer and the Lord's response.
 - 34. Chap. 66: The Lord's final warnings and future glory of Zion.

VIII. Lessons.

- A. What kind of character will we be known for when we pass on?
- B. Note God's providence, love and mercy in sending the prophets and the extensive work they did during this critical junction in Israel's history.

Jehovah - The Existing One Lesson 3

<u>Objectives</u>: 1. Increase our faith in the Majesty of the Lord. 2. Increase our knowledge of the characteristics of our God.

I. Characteristics. Read the verses below and fill in the characteristic described of God.

A 1. 40:12, 28, 41:17-20, 42:5, 43:15, 44:24, 45:12, 18, 48:13, 27:11, 37:16, 51:13, 54:5, 64:8.
B <u>.</u> 1. 40:22-23.
C
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I 1. 40:11.
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1. 46:11, 25:1, 37:26.
N. _____. 1. 42:24-25, 9:19, 10:25, 66:15.
O. _____1. 1:24, 9:6, 10:21.
P. 1. 2:10, 19, 21, 8:13.
  1. 3:13-14, 5:16, 9:14, 10:12, 10:33, 11:15, 24:21, 26:21, 27:1, 29:6, 33:22, 66:4,
  66:15.
1. 2:19, 6:1, 24:14, 26:10, 33:13, 33:21, 35:2, 37:16, 57:15.
U. _____1. 9:21, 10:4, 30:18.
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II. Lord of Hosts or Lord God of Hosts.

- A. How many times does this family of words occur in Isaiah? Where do they occur in the book?
- B. Context to determine meaning.
 - 1. 1:24: Lord of Israel (mass of persons) "Lord God of hosts, the Mighty One of Israel", 6:5 the king, LoH
 - 2. 13:1: army "LoH is mustering the army for battle", 19:16, 17, 18, 20, 25, 31:4 LoH come down to wage war.
 - 3. 54:5: Lord of all "your husband is your Maker...whose name if LoH... who is God of all the earth. 37:16 "O LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, who art

- enthroned *above* the cherubim, Thou art the God, Thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. Thou hast made heaven and earth."
- 4. 40:26 stars "And see who has created these *stars*, The One who leads forth their host by number, He calls them all by name;", 45:12.
- 5. Used in many places of judgment by LoH.

III. Lord.

- A. How many times does this word occur in Isaiah?
- B. Word.
 - 1. Strongs 03068. בהוה Y@hovah yeh-ho-vaw'; from <u>01961</u>; (the) self-Existent or Eternal; Jehovah, Jewish national name of God:-- Jehovah, the Lord. Compare <u>03050</u>, <u>03069</u>.
 - 2. Vines: The tetragrammaton, YHWH appears without its own vowels. Precise meaning is debated. God chose it as His personal name by which He related to His chosen or covenanted people. First occurrence is Gen 2:4.
- IV. The Holy One of Israel (Mighty One of Israel, Mighty One of Jacob, Holy One).
 - A. How many times does this family of words occur in Isaiah and the rest of the Bible?
 - B. This expression has been called "Isaiah's prophetic stamp".
 - C. Words.
 - D. What is said of the "Holy One of Israel"?
 - E. Other Similar Uses.
 - 1. I Pet. 1:15: "but like the **Holy One** who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior;"
 - 2. Lev. 11:44-45: "44 'For I am the LORD your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy; for I am holy. And you shall not make yourselves unclean with any of the swarming things that swarm on the earth. 45 'For I am the LORD, who brought you up from the land of Egypt, to be your God; thus you shall be holy for I am holy."

V. God of Israel.

- A. How many times does this family of words occur in Isaiah?
- B. Meaning.
 - 1. Israel God's who formed them, provided for: 45:3 -- calls you by your name; 45:12 -- be your rear guard.
 - 2. First occurrence of course in Exodus when Lord talking to Pharaoh Let my People go, Ex. 5:1.

VI. Lessons.

- A. Power and majesty of God thru what has been created. Should provide us with an overwhelming sense of awe.
- B. Even though all-powerful, He is a merciful God who wants to help us and save us.
- C. Because of our sins and the judgment thereon, our God will punish us with a fury of anger on the impenitent.

Messianic Prophecies Lesson 4

<u>Objectives</u>: 1. Be impressed with the number and extent of the Messianic Prophecies in NT. 2. Be familiar with content of the all the prophecies from Isaiah in the New Testament.

I. Location & Content.

- A. Casually read through the provided text and mark with a vertical red line and the letter "M" where you think this is a Messianic Text. How many marking do you have?
- B. NT References (21x) where prophecy is directly attributed to Isaiah by referring to his name. Note: The quotations from Isaiah are not identical to those quoted in the NT. The quotations in NT are from the Septuagint which was the OT translated from Hebrew to Greek. The content of the messages is nearly identical. The Septuagint verses for these 21 references are provided in behind the text of Isaiah.
 - 1. Mt 3:3 For this is the one referred to by **Isaiah** the prophet, saying, "THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT!" Is. 40:3 A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. Context=JB
 - 2. Mt 4:14 his was to fulfill what was spoken through **Isaiah** the prophet, saying, 15 "THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LAND OF NAPHTALI, BY THE WAY OF THE SEA, BEYOND THE JORDAN, GALILEE OF THE GENTILES--16* "THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SITTING IN DARKNESS SAW A GREAT LIGHT, AND TO THOSE WHO WERE SITTING IN THE LAND AND SHADOW OF DEATH, UPON THEM A LIGHT DAWNED." Isa. 9:1 But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. 2 The people who walk in darkness Will see a great light; Those who live in a dark land, The light will shine on them. Context = JC going to Galilee to preach.
 - 3. Mt 8:17 in order that what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled, saying, "HE HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES, AND CARRIED AWAY OUR DISEASES." Isa. 53:4 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. Context=JC healing Peter's mother-in-law and then the demon possessed.
 - 4. Mt 12:17 in order that what was spoken through **Isaiah** the prophet, might be fulfilled, saying, 18* "BEHOLD, MY SERVANT WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN; MY BELOVED IN WHOM MY SOUL is WELL-PLEASED; I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT

UPON HIM, AND HE SHALL PROCLAIM JUSTICE TO THE GENTILES. 19* "HE WILL NOT QUARREL, NOR CRY OUT; NOR WILL ANYONE HEAR HIS VOICE IN THE STREETS. 20* "A BATTERED REED HE WILL NOT BREAK OFF, AND A SMOLDERING WICK HE WILL NOT PUT OUT, UNTIL HE LEADS JUSTICE TO VICTORY 21* "AND IN HIS NAME THE GENTILES WILL HOPE." Isa. 42:1 "Behold, My Servant, whom I uphold; My chosen one in whom My soul delights. I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations.2 "He will not cry out or raise His voice, Nor make His voice heard in the street.3 "A bruised reed He will not break, And a dimly burning wick He will not extinguish; He will faithfully bring forth justice. Context=JC fames spreads and He withdraws and tells his disciples not to make him known.

- 5. Mt 13:14 "And in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled, which says, 'YOU WILL KEEP ON HEARING, BUT WILL NOT UNDERSTAND; AND YOU WILL KEEP ON SEEING, BUT WILL NOT PERCEIVE; 15 FOR THE HEART OF THIS PEOPLE HAS BECOME DULL, AND WITH THEIR EARS THEY SCARCELY HEAR, AND THEY HAVE CLOSED THEIR EYES LEST THEY SHOULD SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND HEAR WITH THEIR EARS, AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART AND RETURN, AND I SHOULD HEAL THEM.' Isa. 6:9 And He said, "Go, and tell this people: 'Keep on listening, but do not perceive; Keep on looking, but do not understand.'10 "Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, And their eyes dim, Lest they see with their eyes, Hear with their ears, Understand with their hearts, And return and be healed." Context=Parable chapter, JC explanation of why He teaches in parables.
- 6. Mt 15:7 "You hypocrites, rightly did **Isaiah** prophesy of you, saying, 8* 'THIS PEOPLE HONORS ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR AWAY FROM ME. 9* 'BUT IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME, TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE PRECEPTS OF MEN.'" Isa. 29:13 Then the Lord said, "Because this people draw near with their words And honor Me with their lip service, But they remove their hearts far from Me, And their reverence for Me consists of tradition learned *by rote*, Context=JC rebuke of PS for making washing of hands doctrine.
- 7. Mr 1:2 As it is written in **Isaiah** the prophet, "BEHOLD, I SEND MY MESSENGER BEFORE YOUR FACE, WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY; 3* THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT." Isa. 40:3 A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. Note: Mr. 1:2 not is Isa. but in Mal. 3:1 "Behold, I am going to send My messenger, and he will clear the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming," says the LORD of hosts. Context=JB preaching about JC.
- 8. Mr 7:6 And He said to them, "Rightly did **Isaiah** prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, 'THIS PEOPLE HONORS ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR AWAY FROM ME. 7* 'BUT IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP

- ME, TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE PRECEPTS OF MEN.' Isa. 29:13 Then the Lord said, "Because this people draw near with their words And honor Me with their lip service, But they remove their hearts far from Me, And their reverence for Me consists of tradition learned by rote, Context=JC rebuke of PS for making washing of hands doctrine.
- 9. Lu 3:4 as it is written in the book of the words of **Isaiah** the prophet, "THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT. 5 'EVERY RAVINE SHALL BE FILLED UP, AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL SHALL BE BROUGHT LOW; AND THE CROOKED SHALL BECOME STRAIGHT, AND THE ROUGH ROADS SMOOTH; Isa. 40:3-5 ¶ A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. 4 "Let every valley be lifted up, And every mountain and hill be made low; And let the rough ground become a plain, And the rugged terrain a broad valley; 5 Then the glory of the LORD will be revealed, And all flesh will see it together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken." 6* AND ALL FLESH SHALL SEE THE SALVATION OF GOD." Context=JB preaching about JC.
- 10. Lu 4:17 And the book of the prophet **Isaiah** was handed to Him. And He opened the book, and found the place where it was written, 18* "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE DOWNTRODDEN, 19* TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD." Isa. 61:1-2 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives, And freedom to prisoners; 2 To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, Context= JC enters synagogue, give book of Isaiah and he reads this part.
- 11. Joh 1:23 He said, "I am A VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE STRAIGHT THE WAY OF THE LORD,' as **Isaiah** the prophet said." Isa. 40:3 A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. Context=JB testimony before priests about his mission. Are you the Christ?
- 12. Joh 12:38 that the word of **Isaiah** the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT? AND TO WHOM HAS THE ARM OF THE LORD BEEN REVEALED?" Isa. 53:1 Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? Context=Jews rejection of Christ
- 13. Joh 12:39 For this cause they could not believe, for **Isaiah** said again, 40 "HE HAS BLINDED THEIR EYES, AND HE HARDENED THEIR HEART; LEST THEY SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND PERCEIVE WITH THEIR HEART, AND BE CONVERTED, AND I HEAL THEM." Isa. 6:10 "Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, And their eyes dim, Lest they

- see with their eyes, Hear with their ears, Understand with their hearts, And return and be healed." Context= Jews rejection of Christ.
- 14. Joh 12:41 These things **Isaiah** said, because he saw His glory, and he spoke of Him. Isa. 6:1ff In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. Context= Jews rejection of Christ and Isaiah's affirmation that he believed in the Christ.
- 15. Ac 8:28 And he was returning and sitting in his chariot, and was reading the prophet Isaiah. And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go up and join this chariot." 30* And when Philip had run up, he heard him reading Isaiah the prophet, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading 31* And he said, "Well, how could I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. 32* Now the passage of Scripture which he was reading was this: "HE WAS LED AS A SHEEP TO SLAUGHTER; AND AS A LAMB BEFORE ITS SHEARER IS SILENT, SO HE DOES NOT OPEN HIS MOUTH. 33* "IN HUMILIATION HIS JUDGMENT WAS TAKEN AWAY; WHO SHALL RELATE HIS GENERATION? FOR HIS LIFE IS REMOVED FROM THE EARTH." Isa. 53:7-9 He was oppressed and He was afflicted. Yet He did not open His mouth: Like a lamb that is led to slaughter. And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth. 8 By oppression and judgment He was taken away; And as for His generation, who considered That He was cut off out of the land of the living, For the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due? 9 His grave was assigned with wicked men. Yet He was with a rich man in His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth. . Context=Ethiopian Eunuch reading Isaiah.
- 16. Ac 28:25 And when they did not agree with one another, they began leaving after Paul had spoken one parting word, "The Holy Spirit rightly spoke through **Isaiah** the prophet to your fathers, 26* saying, 'GO TO THIS PEOPLE AND SAY, "YOU WILL KEEP ON HEARING, BUT WILL NOT UNDERSTAND; AND YOU WILL KEEP ON SEEING, BUT WILL NOT PERCEIVE; 27* FOR THE HEART OF THIS PEOPLE HAS BECOME DULL, AND WITH THEIR EARS THEY SCARCELY HEAR, AND THEY HAVE CLOSED THEIR EYES; LEST THEY SHOULD SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND HEAR WITH THEIR EARS, AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART AND RETURN, AND I SHOULD HEAL THEM." Isa. 6:8-9 And He said, "Go, and tell this people: 'Keep on listening, but do not perceive; Keep on looking, but do not understand.' 10 "Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, And their eyes dim, Lest they see with their eyes, Hear with their ears, Understand with their hearts, And return and be healed." . Context=Paul preached to the Jews in Rome but some did not believe.
- 17. Ro 9:27 And **Isaiah** cries out concerning Israel, "THOUGH THE NUMBER OF THE SONS OF ISRAEL BE AS THE SAND OF THE SEA, IT IS THE REMNANT THAT WILL BE SAVED; 28* FOR THE LORD WILL EXECUTE HIS WORD UPON THE EARTH, THOROUGHLY AND QUICKLY." Isa 10:22-23: For though your people, O Israel, may be like the sand of the sea, Only a remnant within them will return; A destruction is determined, overflowing with righteousness. 23 For a complete destruction, one that is decreed, the Lord

- GOD of hosts will execute in the midst of the whole land. Context=Paul stating God is just in rejecting the Jews and has the prerogative.
- 18. Ro 9:29 And just as **Isaiah** foretold, "EXCEPT THE LORD OF SABAOTH HAD LEFT TO US A POSTERITY, WE WOULD HAVE BECOME AS SODOM, AND WOULD HAVE RESEMBLED GOMORRAH." Isa. 1:9 Unless the LORD of hosts Had left us a few survivors, We would be like Sodom, We would be like Gomorrah. Context=Paul stating God is just in rejecting the Jews and has the prerogative.
- 19. Ro 10:16 However, they did not all heed the glad tidings; for **Isaiah** says, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?" Isa. 53:1 Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? Context=why Israel was rejected because did not believe and obey God's commands.
- 20. Ro 10:20 And **Isaiah** is very bold and says, "I WAS FOUND BY THOSE WHO SOUGHT ME NOT, I BECAME MANIFEST TO THOSE WHO DID NOT ASK FOR ME." But as for Israel He says, "ALL THE DAY LONG I HAVE STRETCHED OUT MY HANDS TO A DISOBEDIENT AND OBSTINATE PEOPLE." Isa. 65:1-2 I permitted Myself to be sought by those who did not ask for Me; I permitted Myself to be found by those who did not seek Me. I said, 'Here am I, here am I,' To a nation which did not call on My name. 2 "I have spread out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk in the way which is not good, following their own thoughts, Context=why Israel was rejected because did not believe and obey God's commands.
- 21. Ro 15:12 And again **Isaiah** says, "THERE SHALL COME THE ROOT OF JESSE, AND HE WHO ARISES TO RULE OVER THE GENTILES, IN HIM SHALL THE GENTILES HOPE." Isa. 11:10 Then it will come about in that day That the nations will resort to the root of Jesse, Who will stand as a signal for the peoples; And His resting place will be glorious. Context=special appeal to the example of Christ.

D. Isaiah Prophecies in NT. Complete filling out the blanks in the table below. All these prophecies have been placed into the 9 groups or categories. Select from these groups when filling out the group column: 1. Salvation to Gentiles, 2. Heart, 3. Things About Jesus, 4. Exhortation, 5. John the Baptist, 6. Forgiveness of Sins, 7. Stumbling Block for Jews, 8. Suffering Messiah, 9. Other. After completing this, mark the text with a red line with arrow and the letter "M" and write the NT reference.

1. Table.

	1. Tabl	e.				
No.	<u>Isaiah</u> Chapter	<u>Verse</u>	N.T. Reference	Context of N.T.	Message of OT Prophecy.	<u>Group</u>
1	6	9	Mark 4:12	Why Jesus used parables to teach.	"Hardness of heart" people would not believe.	Heart
2	6	9	Luke 8:10		"Hardness of heart" people would not believe.	Heart
3	6	9-10	Matt. 13:14-15	Why Jesus used parables to teach.		Heart
4	6	10	John 12:40	Jews rejection of Christ during the week of His suffering & finally, death.	"Hardness of heart" of the Jews was the cause of the unbelief.	
5	7	14	Matt. 1:23	Birth of Jesus Christ.	Immanuel, God with us.	Jesus
6	8	14	1 Peter 2:8	People of God an obedient and ser Christ.		
7	8	17-18	Heb. 2:13	Incarnation of Christ and the deliverance of the brethren.	Christ confidence in the Father and his responsibility toward the brethren.	Other
8	9	1-2	Matt. 4:15- 16	Jesus preaching in Capernaum.	Preaching to the Gentile in Zebulun and Naphtali was foretold.	
9	00	2	Luke 1:79	Zacharias prophecy about John the Baptist preparing the way of the Lord.		Forgiveness of Sins
10	11	10	Rom. 15:12		Root of Jesse provides hope.	Other

No.	<u>Isaiah</u> Chapter	Verse	N.T. Reference	Context of N.T.	Message of OT Prophecy.	<u>Group</u>
11	25	8	1 Cor. 15:54	Resurrection of the human body.	Death is conquered thru the resurrection.	Other
12	26	19	Eph. 5:14	Walk as children of light.		Exhortation
13	27	9	Rom. 11:27		Christ will take away sins.	Forgiveness of Sins
14	28	16	Rom. 9:33	Why Israel was rejected.	Jews stumbled over Christ and His mission.	Stumbling Block
15	28	16	Rom. 10:11	Why Israel was rejected.	Not be disappointed in believing in Christ.	Other
16	28	16	1 Peter 2:6	People of God an obedient and ser Christ.	I Not be disappointed in belie Christ.	Other
17	29	10	Rom. 11:8	God's promises to Israel fulfilled in the righteous remnant.		Heart
18	29	13	Matt. 15:8	Discourse of eating with unclean hands.	Their hearts were far from Christ.	Heart
19	29	13	Mark 7:6	Discourse of eating with unclean hands.	Their hearts were far from Christ.	Heart
20	40	3	Matt. 3:3	Preaching of John the Baptist in Judea.	Make ready the way of the Lord.	
21	40	3	Mark 1:3	Preaching of John the Baptist in Judea.	Make ready the way of the Lord.	John the Baptist
22	40	3	Luke 3:4	Preaching of John the Baptist in Judea.	Make ready the way of the Lord.	John the Baptist
23	40	3	John 1:23	Preaching of John the	Make ready the way of the Lord.	John the Baptist

No.	<u>Isaiah</u> <u>Chapter</u>	Verse	N.T. Reference	Context of N.T.	Message of OT Prophecy.	<u>Group</u>
				Baptist in Judea.		
24	42	1-4	Matt. 12:18-21		God's Servant to the Gentiles to provide spiritual victory and hope.	Salvation to Gentiles
25	42	6	Luke 2:32	Simeon's prophesy over the baby Jesus.	Christ to be the light to Gentiles	Salvation to Gentiles
26	43	6	2 Cor. 6:18	Paul's appeal to receive his ministry.	Recipients of his ministry will be sons and daughters of God.	Other
27	45	23	Rom. 14:11	Do not judge your brother inappropriately.	Every person will acknowledge Christ rule during their judgment.	Other
28	49	6	Luke 2:32	Simeon's prophesy over the baby Jesus.		Salvation to Gentiles
29	49	6	Acts 13:47	Jew's rejection of Paul's message at Antioch of Pisidia.	Lord has given Paul to be a light to the Gentiles.	
30	49	6	Luke 2:32	Simeon's prophesy over the baby Jesus.	Christ to be the light to Gentiles	Salvation to Gentiles
31	49	8	2 Cor. 6:2	Paul's appeal to receive his ministry.	Today is the day of salvation.	Other
32	51	17	Eph. 5:14	Walk as children of light.	A call to awaken and let Christ guide you.	Exhortation
33	52	1	Eph. 5:14	Walk as children of light.	A call to awaken and let Christ guide you.	
34	52	15	Rom. 15:21		The gospel will reach to all.	Salvation to Gentiles

No.	<u>Isaiah</u> Chapter	Verse	N.T. Reference	Context of N.T.	Message of OT Prophecy.	<u>Group</u>
35	53	1	John 12:38	Jew's rejection of Christ.	A prophecy that most of the Jews would not believe in Christ.	Stumbling Block
36	53	4	Matt. 8:17	Jesus miracles in Capernaum.	Prophecy about His Servant healing sicknesses and diseases.	Jesus
37	53	7-9	Acts 8:32- 33	Phillip teaching the Ethiopian Eunuch.	Christ would be a sacrificial lamb.	
38	53	9	1 Peter 2:22	Servants are to be submissive like (There was no deceit in His s during his persecutions.	Suffering Messiah
39	53	12	Luke 22:37	Jesus final discourse with His apostles before taken as a prisoner.	Prophecy about Christ being among crinimals.	Suffering Messiah
40	54	1	Gal. 4:27	Allegory of Hagar and Sarah representing two covenants.	Christians are children of promise like Isaac.	
41	54	13	John 6:45	Discourse on the Bread of Life.	Those coming to the Father are those willing to be taught.	Heart
42	55	3	Acts 13:34	Jew's rejection of Paul's message at Antioch of Pisidia.	Christ received the promised blessings of David.	Jesus
43	57	19	Eph. 2:17	Reconciliation between man and God is part of the spiritual blessings in Christ.	Peace between God and man for the Jew and Gentile.	Salvation to Gentiles
44	59	20-21	Rom. 11:26-27	God's mercy is for Jews and Gentiles.	Christ will take away sins.	Forgiveness of Sins

No.	<u>Isaiah</u> <u>Chapter</u>	Verse	N.T. Reference	Context of N.T.	Message of OT Prophecy.	<u>Group</u>
45	60	1	Eph. 5:14	Walk as children of light.	A call to awaken and let Christ guide you.	Exhortation
46	61	1	Matt. 11:5	Jesus reponse to John the Baptist if He is the Expected One.	Prophecy about people being healed and the gospel preached to them.	
47	61	1-2	Luke 4:18- 19	Jesus enters the synagogue and reads Isaiah.	He is the one of the prophecy.	Jesus

II. Analyses.

- A. Groups. How many times were these groups referenced in the table above?
 - 1. Salvation to Gentiles:
 - 2. Heart:
 - 3. Jesus:
 - Exhortation:
 - 5. John the Baptist:
 - 6. Forgiveness of Sins:
 - 7. Stumbling Block for Jews
 - 8. Suffering Messiah:
 - 9. Other:
- B. Is the suffering Messiah the predominant prophecy in New Testament?
- C. What is the predominant prophecy?
- D. What is the next predominant prophecy?

III. Key Prophecies.

- A. Luke 4:18-19 & Isa. 61:1-2 Jesus Reading Isaiah.
- B. Acts 8:32-33 & Isa. 53:7-9 Ethiopian Eunuch.
- C. Matt. 15:8 & Isa. 29:13 Discourse of eating with unclean hands.

IV. Other.

- A. Why so many Messianic Prophecies in Isaiah?
 - 1. Lord's choice.
 - 2. Israel/Judah was at a crossroads during the time of Hezekiah. Israel would cease to exist as a nation. Judah very existence was threatened by Assyria. In 135 years or so, Judah would be taken captive by Babylon. What about all the prophecies about the Kingdom, the promises made to David and the fulfillment of God promises (Gen. 3:15, 12:3, II Sam. 7)? What will it take to save them?

V. Lessons.

- A. Providence of God to make these prophesies and then bring about their fulfillment.
- B. Assurance of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- C. God's love for the righteous to bring redemption thru JC.

Salvation & Trust in the Lord Lesson 5

<u>Objectives</u>: 1. Be impressed with the number of times salvation is mentioned in the book. 2. Increase our trust and reliance in the Lord.

I. Salvation Family of Words.

- A. How many times does this family of words (salvation, saved, save, deliver, redeemed) occur in Isaiah?
- B. How many times does this family of words (Savior, Redeemer) occur in Isaiah?
 - He will send them a S (19:20). Context=Lord's Judgment Against Nations. Egypt will be afraid.
 - 2. Do not fear, ... your R is the Holy One of Israel (41:14). Context= Lord vs. Idols, Lord encourages Israel not to fear.
 - 3. Thus says the Lord your R (43:14), the Holy One of Israel.). Context= Lord vs. Idols, challenge to Israel to witness the Lord as Creator.
 - 4. Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his R (44:6). Context= Lord vs. Idols, only Lord can declare events.
 - 5. Thus says the Lord, your R (44:24). Context = Lord vs. Idols, Lord made Israel.
 - 6. A righteous God and a S (45:21). Context = Lord vs. Idols, Gentiles will turn to Jehovah.
 - 7. Our R the Lord of Hosts is His name (47:4). Context = Lord vs. Idols, Babylon will no longer be called tender and delicate.
 - 8. Thus says the Lord, your R, the Holy One of Israel. Context = Lord vs. Idols, if Israel been faithful no longer need for deliverance.
 - 9. All flesh will know that I, the Lord am your S and your R (49:26). Context=Lord's Suffering Servant, He will not forget Zion.
 - 10. Your husband is your Maker, whose name is the Lord of hosts; And your R (54:5), Says the Lord your R (54:8). Context=Lord's Suffering Servant, Lord have mercy on Zion and enlarge it.
 - 11. You will such the milk of nations, ... I, the Lord, am your S and your R, the Mighty One of Jacob (60:16). Context=Future Glory of the Lord's People, Zion will be the city of the Lord.
 - 12. Surely, they are My people, ... so He became their S (63:8). Context= Future Glory of the Lord's People, Lord will bring vengeance against Zion's enemies.
 - 13. Israel does not recognize ... our Father, our R (63:16). Context= Future Glory of the Lord's People, Israel rebelled but now pray for mercy and help.

II. Analyses.

- A. Salvation Family of Words.
 - 1. Where do you find this family of words in Isaiah?

- 2. What is the emphasis on in these markings?
- 3. What things will they be saved from?
- B. Savior/Redeemer Family of Words.
 - 1. Where do you find this family of words in Isaiah?
 - 2. When the word Savior appears what is the emphasis on?

III. Trust and Reliance on the Lord.

A. How many times does this family of words (trust, rely) occur in Isaiah?

IV. Analyses.

V. Lessons.

- A. Emphasis in Isaiah should give us comfort that Son of God is our Savior, able to deliver.
- B. We should be thankful that we are the redeemed, the saved.
- C. We need to keep separate national statement of salvation to Israel vs. under the New Covenant. Remember salvation is spiritual. This does not mean that God is not concerned about the physical. Also God can if He wills to work on the physical – so we pray for these.
- D. Trust in the lord and not other sources.

Building Blocks of Isaiah - Key Words & Phrases Lesson 6

<u>Objectives</u>: Understand the meaning of the following phrases and terms to accurately interpret and understand the book. We will cover the first 4 phrases/words in class and the others can be examined on your own.

I. Already Covered (Lessons 3, 4 & 5).

- A. Lord of Hosts.
- B. Lord.
- C. Holy One of Israel.
- D. Salvation Family of Words.
- E. Savior/Redeemer.
- F. Trust Family of Words.
- G. God of Israel.

II. My or His Servant(s).

- A. How many times does this family of words occur in Isaiah?
 - 1. Where do these words occur?
 - 2. How many times are these words occur in the Servant Psalms?
- B. Meaning.
 - 1. Look up the definition in a dictionary. There are several definitions. Which one best fits in Isaiah?
 - 2. Examine the following Scriptures and write a descriptive phrase associated with the Servant Family of words.

a.	Chosen by God , 41:8, 44:1.
b.	20:3.
C.	42:1.
d.	44:26.

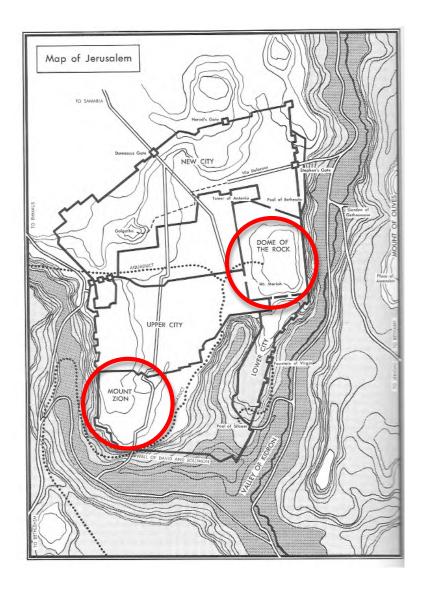
- C. Who are the Servant(s) in the following passages?
 - 1. _____20:3, 44:26.

	2.	22:20.
	3.	37:35.
	4.	Messiah, 42:1, 43:10, 49:3, 49:5, 49:6, 49:7, 50:10, 52:13, 53:11.
	5.	42:19 (2x), 44:1 (2x).
	6.	44:21(2x), 45:4, 48:20, 65:8,9,13(3x),14,15.
	7.	56:6.
	8.	66:14.
D.		nat is said of or what service is being performed by these Servant(s)? Isaiah= (as a sign) 20:3, (confirming word/performing purpose messenger)44:26.
	2.	22:20.
	3.	37:35.
	4.	42:1, 43:10, 49:3, 50:10, 52:13, 53:11).
		Israel, (blind, deaf)42:19 (2x), (chosen, formed from the womb) 44:1 (2x).
	6.	Redeemed Israel (or Jacob) in Babylonian Captivity ((you will not be forgotten) 44:21(2x), (called you by your name) 45:4, (been redeemed) 48:20, fnot destroy them) 65:8, (inherit mountain) 9, (eat & drink) 13(3x), (shout joyfully) 14, (called by another name , MAY BE DUAL FULFILLMENT) 15,).
	7.	56:6)
	8.	Citizens of New Zion ((hand of the Lord be known to you-protection,security)66:14).

III. Zion.

A. How many times does this word occur in Isaiah?

- 1. Where do these words occur?
- 2. In what other books or groups of books do your find this word in the OT?
- B. Word.
 - 1. What does this word mean according to Strongs?
- C. Please fill in the blanks below on the history of this place.
 - 1. II Sam. 5:6-7: David came against the _____ in Jerusalem and captured the stronghold of _____ that is the city of David.
 - 2. Il Sam. 6:12: David brought the ______ to _____, to city of David.
 - 3. I Ki. 8:1, II Chron. 3:1-2: Solomon moved the ______ from to the ______, which was built on Mount _____.
 - 4. Ps. 20:2, 74:2-3: The name Zion was extended to include the _____.
 - 5. II Ki. 19:21,31, Ps. 48:1-2: Zion is often used for the whole of _____
 - 6. Pictures:





Air view of Jerusalem and environs. The Kildron Valley is on the right, the Hinnom Valley on the left.

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\Box	Meaning.	
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- 1. What is said about Zion in Psalms?
 - a. 2:6 -- Messianic installed my King upon Zion
 - b. 9:11 _____
 - c. 9:14 _____
 - d. 14:7 _____
 - e. 50:2 –
 - f. 102:16 Lord has built up Zion.
- 2. What is said about Zion in Isaiah?
 - a. 1:8 ______
 - b. 1:27 Zion will be redeemed with justice = repentant ones.
 - c. 2:3 _____

d. 4	4:4 — <u> </u>
e. 8	8:18 <u> </u>
f.	10:24 – <u> </u>
	14:32 <mark> LORD has founded Zion, And the afflicted of His people will</mark> seek refuge in it
h. :	28:16
i. :	31:9 – <u> </u>
j. :	33:5 – <u> </u>
k.	52:8 <mark>LORD restores Zion</mark> .
1.	59:20 –
	tiple Meanings – Depending on context. What is the literal physical meaning?
b.	What is the extended literal physical meaning?
C.	What was the spiritual meaning to the Jews?
d.	What is the spiritual meaning today and used in many places in Isaiah?
	in of the house of the LORD (Mountain of the LORD, My holy mountain, ain, mountain).
A. How	many times does this family of words occur in Isaiah?
B. Mean 1. Wha	ing. at does this phrase mean? Zech. 8:3, Isa. 40:9.
C. List s	ome of its characteristics.
1	<u>,</u> 2:2.

3.	, 2:2.
4.	
5.	
6.	Security (they will not hurt or destroy), 11:9.
7.	<u> </u>
8.	<u>,</u> 25:10.
9.	
New	v Heavens and A (The) New Earth.
A. V	Vhere are these phrases located in Isaiah?
B. L	ist the characteristics.
1	<u>,</u> - 65:17.
2	
3	s, 65:17.
4	, 65:18.
5	5, 65:19.
6	j, 66:22.
7	, 66:22.
C. E	Based on the above, what do you think is the meaning of this phrase?

2. Chief of all mountains (rule), 2:2.

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VI. Day of the Lord.

- A. Location (3x=13:6, 13:9, 58:13).
- B. Meaning.
 - 1. 13:6,9 destruction from the Almighty, exterminate sinners = judgment.
 - 2. 58:13 day added by translators = Sabbath day

VII. Ephraim.

- A. Location (11x).
 - 1. I. Charge Against J&J (8x), II. Nations (1x), III. Deliverance (2x).
- B. Meaning.
 - 1. Equivalent to Israel (northern, 10 tribes).
 - 2. Definition within text 9:8-9: "8 The Lord sends a message against Jacob, And it falls on Israel. 9 And all the people know it, That is, Ephraim and the inhabitants of Samaria".
 - 3. 7:9 "head of Ephraim is Samaria": the capital of Israel (N) is Samaria.
 - 4. 7:17 "Ephraim separated from Judah"; division of the United Kingdom into north and south.
 - 5. Joshua was of the tribe of Ephraim and became prominent among the 10 tribes.
 - 6. Hos. 5:3, Israel and Ephraim are being used equivalent of each other.

VIII. Standard.

- A. Location (11x).
 - 1. 5:26, 11:12, 13:2, 18:3, 31:9, 49:22, 62:10.
- B. Meaning.
 - 1. Standard-NASB, Ensign-ASV/KJV.
 - 2. Strongs = 05251. on nec nace; from 05264; a flag; also a sail; by implication, a flagstaff; generally a signal; figuratively, a token:-- banner, pole, sail, (en-)sign, standard.
 - 3. Sign, a banner.
 - 4. Context:
 - a. 5:26 lift standard to distant nation, will whistle for it = sign.
 - b. 11:12 vs. 10 signal to people, Messiah and his rule.
 - c. 13:2 lift up standard on bare hill i.e. like a flag, signal, wave they hand.
 - d. 18:3 -- standard raised on mountain can see; judgment on Ethiopia.
 - e. 31:9 terrified at the standard sign.
 - f. 49:22 Messiah, set up my standard to people.
 - g. 62:10 lift up standard over the peoples, about Zion.

IX. Image(s)/Idol(s)/gods.

- A. Location (50x).
 - 1. By Division (concentrated in idol division (IV) and deliverance (III):
 - a. I. Charge (1-12)– 8x.
 - b. II. Nations (13-27)-4x.
 - c. III. Deliverance (28-39)- 11x.
 - d. IV. Idols (40-48)– 18x
 - e. V. Servant Suffering(49-57) 1x
 - f. VI. Glory (58-66)- 1x.

B. Meaning.

- 1. Idol > Strongs = 0457. Iyla 'eliyl el-eel'; apparently from 0408; good for nothing, by anal. vain or vanity; specifically an idol:-- idol, no value, thing of nought.
- 2. Image > Strongs = 6456. lyop p@ciyl pes-eel'; from 06458; an idol:--carved (graven) image, quarry.
- C. Characteristics of.
 - 1. 2:8 worship the work of their hands
 - 2. 19:1 idols of Egypt will tremble at His presence.
 - 3. 31:7 hands have made as a sin.
 - 4. 44:9 all of them are futile
 - 5. 45:16 the manufacturers go away in humiliation.
 - 6. 46:1 consigned to beasts that carry them.

X. In that day/In the last days.

- A. Location (40+1=41).
 - 1. 2:2 Now it will come about that In the last days, The mountain of the house of the LORD Will be established.
 - 2. Most of them located in second division about judgment on nations.
- B. Meaning.
 - 1. "In that day" = specific time period, context determines.
 - 2. "In the last days" = end of Jewish Dispensation.
 - 3. Used in Acts 2:17 (Joel Prophecy), Heb. 1:1-2 last days God spoke thru His Son.
 - 4. First time usage in Scripture in Isaiah.
 - 5. Micah 4:1, Dan. 2:28 (in the latter days)

XI. New Things.

- A. New Things Come to Pass, 42:9.
- B. New Song -- All peoples praise the Lord for Servant and the justice and righteousness brought by Him, 42:10.
- C. Do something new roadway in the wilderness, 43:19.
- D. Proclaim new things -- 48:6.

- E. New name called nations see your righteousness, mouth of the Lord designate, 62:2
- F. New Heavens and A New Earth, see above, 65:17.
- G. New Heavens and The New Earth, see above, 66:22.

XII. Lessons.

- A. Are Christians today in Zion?
- B. Will the faithful be in Zion when we go to Heaven?
- C. Can we sing songs 190 (We're Marching to Zion) and 285 (Zion's Call)?

Hístorical Background Lesson 7

A Narrative of Israel's History during the Writing of Isaiah

Instructions: Please read Isa. 1:1. Then fill in the blanks below by memory. Then read the Scriptures below to fill out any remaining blanks.

First King: II Ki. 15:1-28, II Chron. 26:1-23

Second King: II Ki. 15:29-38, 2 Chron. 27:1-9
Third King: II Ki.16:1-20, Isaiah 7:1-25, II Ki. 17:1-41, II Chron. 28:1-27
Fourth King: II Chron. 29:1-32:33, II Ki. 18:1-20:21
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Isaiah wrote concerning and during the reigns of,
, and, kings of
, and, Kings of
The First King
THE THIST KING
, the first king of Isaiah writings, was also known at He began
his reign in the year of King Jeroboam which was the King of Israel.
began his reign when he was years old and reigned for years.
He did in the sight of the Lord like his father King but the
were not taken down. He built and restored which is a sea port
on the Red Sea. He continued to God in the days of the Prophet
and the Lord God him. He went to war against the
, the and the He built the among the
and God him during these battles. The gave
tribute to and his extended to the border of for he became
very He built in Jerusalem and in the wilderness and hewed
for the cattle. He had an ready for battle and had many
When he became, he acted by burning incense on
the Because of this sin, the Lord struck him with and he lived in
a separate His son, was over the and the
people of the land. During his rule, Kings in Israel ruled the Northern
Kingdom. These kings did in the sight of the Lord and did not depart
from the sins of, King of Israel. During his reign, King of Assyria
attacked Israel and King of Israel gave of silver to
strengthen his kingdom and for Assyria to leave the land.

The Second King

, the son of	, became king in the _	year of the reign of Pekah,
who was King of Israel.	He began his reign at _	years old and reigned for
years. His reign overla _l	pped with the reign o	f his Father because his
father was struck by th	ne Lord with	and was isolated to live in a
separate house. King	did in the s	ight of the Lord. However, the
		not the following in
the footsteps of his fath	ner. The people cont	inued to act He
_	_	de: the of the house
<u>-</u>		ntry of Judah and and
	_	n the King of and
		and and continued
		use he his ways before
		ng of Assyria captured certain
-	_	Also, the Lord began to send
, King of Aram and	, King of Israel ag	zainst Judan.
The Third King		
the reign of Pekah, King and reigned for years his father had done. thru the fire according	of Israel. He was y . He did do what v . He walked in the way to of the nigh places, made mole	came king in the year of years old when he became king was right in sight of the Lord as ys of, made his pass driven-out nations, ten images of and burned
During the last part of th	e reign of the previous	s king, Rezin, King of Aram and
		They camped in
		ry The Lord told
to go to King Ahaz and t	ell him their invasion	would In 65 years,
		last. The Lord spoke to King
	_	refused. Lord gave a
_		. Lord was going to send King
of Assyria against them a	second time.	
Due to King	, the deliver	ed him into hand of King
of Aram and Kin	g of Israel. King of	Aram came up to Jerusalem,
		ould not completely overthrow
_		_ and brought them to
recovered	_ for Aram and cle	eared Judeans out of

Meanwhile, King of Israel inflicted Judah with great and slew
valiant men in one day a mighty of Ephraim, slew
the King's son, the ruler of the house and the second to the
king. Israel carried away of their brethren, the prophet of the
Lord, came to army in Samaria and told them Judah was delivered into their
hand because the was angry with them. However, Lord was angry with
the army of Israel because brethren of Judah were slain in The prophet
further instructed to return the brethren to So the officers took the
captives, all the naked ones, them, gave them, anointed
them with and brought them to
Judah was not only afflicted by <u>Syria</u> (Aram) but the <u>Edomites</u> had attacked
Judah and carried away captives. In addition, the <u>Philistines</u> also had invaded
the cities of the lowland and Negev of Judah, taken 6 villages and settled
there. <u>Lord</u> humbled Judah because of King <u>Ahaz</u> had brought about a lack of
restraint in Judah and was very unfaithful to the Lord. To obtain help, Ahaz
sent messengers to <u>Tiglath-pileser</u> King of Assyria and said "I am your
servant, deliver me". He took silver and gold from house of the Lord and
sent it to King of Assyria. Assyria went up against <u>Damascus</u> , a chief city of
Syria, captured it and carried the people away into exile to Kir. Rezin was
also put to death.
View of Association Demonstrate when the Wines of Association in
King went to <u>Damascus</u> to meet the King of Assyria. He saw the
there and told the priest to pattern the In Jerusalem, King Ahaz
went up to the and burned his and offerings and poured his
libation and sprinkled the blood of his peaceon the altar. He
instructed the priest to make the offerings on this new great altar. He moved the bronze altar and put it on the north side of his altar. King Ahaz
cut off the borders of the stands, removed the laver from them and took down
the sea from the bronze oxen.
the sea if one the bronze oxen.
King of Assyria came against King and him
instead of him, even though he gave him treasures from the
temple. During the distress, King became yet more unfaithful to the
Lord by sacrificing to gods of which defeated him. He said
"because the gods of the kings of Aram helped them, I will sacrifice to them
that they may help me." But they became the <u>downfall</u> of him and all Israel.
King Ahaz gathered utensils from the house and cut them into pieces, closed
the doors of the house of the Lord and made altars for himself in every corner
of Jerusalem and in every city of Judah. He made <u>high places</u> to burn incense
to other gods and provoked the Lord to anger. When King Ahaz died, he was
not <u>buried</u> into the tombs of the kings of Israel.

Israel During the Reign of the Third King

During the <u>12th</u> year reign of King <u>Ahaz</u>, Hoshea became King of Israel and did <u>evil</u> in sight of the Lord. <u>Shalmaneser</u>, King of Assyria came against him. Hoshea became his <u>servant</u> and paid him tribute. King of Assyria discovered a <u>conspiracy</u> in which Hoshea had sent messengers to <u>So</u>, King of <u>Egypt</u>. In addition, he stopped giving tribute to King of Assyria. So he was put into prison. Then Assyria invaded the whole land and went to Samaria and besieged the city for <u>3</u> years. In the <u>9th</u> year of Hoshea, King Assyria captured <u>Samaria</u> and carried Israel into exile. The end of Samaria then occurred in the fifth year of the fourth king. The fall of Samaria came about because sons of Israel had sinned against Lord by fearing other gods, walking in their customs, doing things in <u>secret</u> that were not right, building <u>high places</u> in all their towns, burning incense on the high places and serving <u>idols</u>.

Judah did not keep the commandments of the Lord but walked in the customs that <u>Israel</u> had introduced. King of Assyria brought men from <u>Babylon</u> and other places and settled them in cities of Samaria. These people did not fear the Lord so <u>lions</u> were sent and killed some of them. The people cried out and King of Assyria had <u>priests</u> from exile sent to Samaria to teach the people how to fear the Lord. However, these people continued to make their own <u>gods</u> and put them in high places.

The Fourth King

King, who was the Son of King, became king in year of
Hoshea, King of Israel. He was years old when he began and reigned
years in Jerusalem. He did in sight of the Lord according to his father
He removed the and broke down and cut
down the He broke into pieces the Moses has made
because people burned to it. He in the Lord and did not
from following Him and kept His commandments. The Lord was with
him and he
<u>The Fourth King - The Temple</u>
In the year of his reign, opened of the of the Lord, them, brought in the, got them to themselves and
the house of the Lord and told the priests to to the Lord. The
did what the King commanded. After the, the King the
princes of the people, went to the, brought the animal sacrifices and

he ordered the to them. The priests slaughtered the sacrifices
to for all Israel. The king also stationed the Levites with
and they began to to the Lord and the whole assembly
The assembly brought to the Levites and were offered
by the priests. Service of the house of the Lord was again.
sent to all Israel and Judah to come to Jerusalem and
celebrate the He issued a decree throughout Israel to celebrate the
as it was prescribed. As couriers passed from city to city, they
laughed them to scorn and mocked them. However, some men from Israel
came to Jerusalem. The hand of God was on Judah to give them one heart to
do what the king People removed the and cast them into
the Kidron Brook. Many celebrated the but many were
prayed that God would forgive them. God heard and them.
There was great joy in Jerusalem due the because nothing like
this happened since the days of After the celebration, the people
broke the, cut the, pulled down the and
throughout all Judah and parts of Israel appointed divisions of
for the offerings and allocated goods for the sacrifices to do what is
in the Law of the Lord. He also told people to contribute to the
priests/Levites that they may themselves to the Lord and was
established. There was an oversupply of offerings as the Lord blessed His
people. Every work that did in the service of the house of God, he
did with all his and
<u>The Fourth King - The Battles</u>
The Fourth Imig The Buttles
King against King of Assyria and did not him. He
defeated the as far as Gaza. In his year, King of
Assyria came against Samaria and besieged it. At the end of _ years, they
captured it and carried Israel away into exile and placed them into the cities
of the to the Lord.
In the year of his reign, King of Assyria came against
of Judah and seized them. As he approached Jerusalem,
had his men cut off the supply to prevent the Assyrians from
freely drinking. He the wall, towers, another outside
wall and made and He also appointed
over the people. He told the people to be and and
know that the will our battles and the people relied on
words. Then said to King of Assyria, "I have done
from me and whatever you on me, I will". King of Assyria asked

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found in the ho					
and gave it to					_
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Hezekiah's me	ssengers t	old <u>Rabshakel</u>	<u>ı</u> to speak in	Aramaic so	the people
would not und	_		_		
shouted that K		_			
deliver the peo	_				
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Hezekiah. Mal	ke peace w	vith me and ea	it each of his	vine, fig tree	and drink
waters from ov	_			_	
your own land	that you n	nay live and no	ot die. Has ai	ny one of the	gods of the
nations deliver	ed his land	l from Assyria?	•		-
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and said	l this is a d	lay of distress,	rebuke, rejec	tion. He aske	d to
offer for	the remna	ant that is left.	told th	nem "Thus say	s the Lord,
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Lord at Jerusal		oice presents to	o so t	tnat ne was	in the
sight of all nati	ons.				

The Fourth King - His Sickness

In those days, <u>Hezekiah</u> became mortally ill and <u>Isaiah</u> told him to set his house in order for he shall <u>die</u>. He prayed to <u>God</u> and <u>wept</u> bitterly. <u>Isaiah</u> returned and said the Lord will add <u>15</u> years to your life. <u>Hezekiah</u> asked for a <u>sign</u> and the Lord caused the shadow on <u>stairway</u> of Ahaz to go <u>backwards</u> <u>10</u> ten steps. <u>Hezekiah</u> had immense riches and honor and made himself treasuries for his goods. He made himself <u>cities</u> and acquired <u>flocks</u> for God had given him great wealth. <u>Hezekiah</u> made the pool, the conduit and brought water into the city. He <u>prospered</u> in all that he had done.

<u>Berodach-baladan</u>, King of Babylon sent letters and presents to <u>Hezekiah</u> for he heard of his sickness and to inquire of the wonder that happened in the land. God let him alone to <u>test</u> him that He might know all that was in his heart. King <u>Hezekiah</u> showed the envoys from Babylon all his <u>treasures</u>. <u>Isaiah</u> rebuked him for this act and told the King all these <u>treasures</u> will be carried to <u>Babylon</u> and some of your <u>sons</u> shall be taken away and become officials in palace of the King of <u>Babylon</u>. Upon his death, he was buried in the upper section of the tombs of the sons of David and all Judah and Jerusalem <u>honored</u> him at his death.

Four Assyrian Invasions Into Israel During the Days of Isaiah

- 1. Syro-Ephraimite War, 734 BC, Isa. 7 (Tiglath-Pileser).
- 2. Fall of Samaria, 722BC, 2 Ki. 17 (Shalmaneser).
- 3. Ashdod Rebellion, 711BC, Isa. 20 (Sargon).
- 4. Siege of Jerusalem, 701BC, Isa. 36-37 (Sennacherib).

Lessons.

- A. Pride can be our downfall and the downfall of this nation.
- B. Wickedness of individuals especially of leaders can impact others and result in serious consequences on others.

The following information is some background information on nations, places and people mentioned in Isaiah. It is optionally for you to read and review it. There are some maps at the end of this section.

Background on Nations

Ammon

- 1. Descendants of Ben-ammi, Lot's second son, Gen. 19:38.
- 2. Joined the Moabites in hiring Balaam to curse the Israelites. As a result were excluded from the congregation of the Lord (Deut. 23:3-6).
- 3. They aided Eglon, King of Moab in subjugating a portion of the Israelites (Jud. 3:13).
- 4. In the time of Jephthat, the judge, they oppressed the Israelites east of the Jordon River (Jud. 10:6,9,18).
- 5. Nahash, King of Ammon, besieged Jabesh-gilead and Saul came and defeated them (I Sam. 11:1-11).
- 6. Nahash befriended David and at his death, David sent messengers to his son Hanun. The ambassadors were insulted and war broke out (2 Sam. 10:1-19). They were defeated led by Joab and Abishai.
- 7. King Solomon took several Ammonite women as wives (I Ki. 11:1).
- 8. To Uzziah and Jotham the Ammonites send tribute (2 Chron. 26:8, 27:5).
- 9. As a constant enemy of Israel, they were denounced by the prophets Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Amos and Zephaniah.
- 10. They opposed rebuilding walls of Jerusalem by the returned exiles (Neh. 4:3,7).
- 11. Intermarriages took place in which Ezra and Nehemiah censured (Ezra 9:1,2, Neh 13:23-31).
- 12. Chief deity was Milcom, another designation of Molech. In time of Jephthah, they were worshiping Chemosh, the Moabite God.

Arabia

- 1. Arab tribes often came into contact with the Hebrews (Gen. 37:28,36) known as the Midianites.
- 2. Solomon bought gold, silver and spices (2 Chron. 9:14).
- 3. Jehoshaphat received tribute from them in sheep and goats (2 Chron. 17:11).
- 4. In the reign of Jehoram, Arabs with other marauders plundered Jerusalem (2 Chron. 21:16).
- 5. They were afterwards defeated by Uzziah (2 Chron. 26:7).
- $6. Is a iah \ and \ Jeremiah \ denounced \ judgments \ against \ them \ (Is a.\ 21:13-17, Jer.\ 25:24).$

<u>Aram</u>

- 1. Descendent from Shem, who inhabited region known as Aram (Gen. 10:22-23, 1 Chron. 1:17).
- 2. Plain occupied from Lebanon mountains on the west to the Euphrates River to the east, from river Sagur on the north to Damascus on the south.
- 3. Aramaic language came from the area. It was the international language of business and commerce. It was used by Ezra, Daniel, Jeremiah and by Christ.

<u>Assyria</u>

- 1.A country on the river Tigris (Gen. 2:14).
- 2. The name came to denote the extensive empire conquered and ruled by the

Assyrians.

- 3. From 1300 to 700 BC they were the dominant power in the east.
- 4. Under David and Solomon kingdom to reach their widest limits.
- 5.Shalmaneser (860-825) 1st Assyrian King to come into contact with Israel. Later King: Pul known as Tiglath-pileaer (745-727), Shalmaneser (727-722), Sargon (722-705), Sennacherib (705-681), Esar-haddon (680-668), Ashurbanipal (668-626).
- 6. In 612, the Medes, Babylonians and their allies captured Nineveh, the capital and by 606 put an end to their empire.

Babylon

- 1. Capital of the Babylonian Empire. Its first mention is Gen. 10:10.
- 2. Sometimes called Shinar (Gen. 11:2) and sometimes the land of the Chaldeans (Jer. 24:5).
- 3. Nabopolassar took possession of Babylon, proclaimed independence from Assyria and allied himself with the Medes, laid the foundation for the great empire.
- 4. Nebuchadnezzar (son of Nabo.) defeated Necho Pharaoh of Egypt at the battle of Carchemish fought in 605 BC. Under him, empire reached its furthest extents.

Bashan

- 1. Region east of Jordan, cities within its bound: Golan, Yarmuk, Edrei, Ashtaroth, Salecah. Extended from upper Jordan to border of the Arabian Desert.
- 2. In the mountainous region of the land least 100 deserted cities, many built on basalt.
- 3. During time of Abraham, it was occupied by a people especially strong known as Rephaim (Gen 14:5).
- 4. Last king of this race was Og who was slain by Edrei in time of Moses (Num. 21:33-35, Deut. 3:1-7).
- 5. Bashan was assigned to half tribe of Manasseh.
- 6. It is a broad fertile plateau of volcanic formation and well adapted for pasture.
- 7. It was celebrated for its cattle (Ps. 22:12, Ezek 39:18) and breed of sheep (Deut. 32:14). Also known for it oak trees (Is. 2:1).

Cush

- 1. Son of Ham located in central and southern Arabia except Seba (1 of 5 basic people) which located in Africa (Gen 10:6-8, 1 Chron. 1:8-10).
- 2. Term denotes countries drained by Tigris and Euphrates. In most other passages refer to Ethiopia in Africa (2 Ki. 19:9, Esth 1:1, Ezek. 29:10).

Edom[red]

- 1.A name of Esau given in memory of selling his birthright for red pottage.
- 2. Region occupied by the Edomonites, originally called Mt. Seir (Gen. 32:3).
- 3. Mountainous and extremely rugged country about 100 miles long from Moab connecting with southern part of the Dead Sea.
- 4. Capital was called Sela later changed to Petra. Bozrah and Teman were important towns.
- 5. Israelites approached Canaan sought permission to pass through their territory. They refused. They were not permitted to fight them because of Edom was descendents of Abraham and commanded to pass around their land (Num. 20:14-21). Notwithstanding this hostility, Edomite was regarded as a brother in Mosaic Law (Deut 23:7-8).
- 6. Saul fought against the Edomites (1 Sam. 14:47) and David put garrisons after conquering the territory (1 Chron. 18:3).
- 7. Joab remained in Edom for 6 months and killed every male but Hadad and his sons (1

- Ki 11:15-16).
- 8. During the reign of Jehoshaphat of Judah, Edonites, Ammonites and Moabites invaded Jerusalem (2 Chron. 10:1).
- 9. Amaziah slew 10,000 Edomites in the valley of Salt, took Sela and put to death another 10,000 flinging from the top of the rock (2 Ki. 14:7).
- 10. In the reign of Ahaz of Judah, the Edom carried off captives (2 Chron. 28:17) and rejoiced when Nebuchadnezzar destroyed Jerusalem (Ps. 137:7).
- 11. Prophets foretold the calamities that should befall Edom for its inveterate enmity towards Israel .

Egypt

Ephraim

- 1. Younger son of Joseph, born in Egypt. Received Jacobs blessing instead of Manasseh, the elder son.
- 2. Joshua was an Ephraimite.
- 3. Became the head of the 10 tribes in the Northern Kingdom. Used in this sense by the prophets (Is. 7:2, 5, 9, 17).

<u>Israel</u>

<u> Iudah</u>

Media

- 1.A country in Asai lying east of the Zagros Mountains, south of the Caspian Sea, west of Parthia and north of Elam.
- 2. When it became an empire it extended beyond this limits.
- 3. Conquered by the Assyrians.
- 4. Allied with Babylonia and conquered Assyria and captured Nineveh.
- 5. Marriage of a Median daughter and King Nebuchadnezzar cemented the alliance.
- 6. Cyrus became king and united with Persia.
- 7. Involved in the capture of Babylon (Is. 13:17,18).
- 8. Cyrus of Mede-Persia was God's instrument in allowing remnant to return and build the temple.

Midian

- 1.A son of Abraham by Keturah, sent away with gifts into the wilderness.
- 2. Region in Arabian Desert, bordered by Edom on NW and other boundaries shifted.
- 3. A people of the desert. Five families sprung from Midian with one named Ephah.
- 4. They were the ones who took Joseph to Egypt.
- 5. Moses father-in-law was a Midianite.
- 6. Midianites joined the Moabites in cursing the Israelites thru Balaam (Num. 22:4,6).
- 7. Israelites made war against them killed 5 kings (Num. 31).
- 8. In the period of the judges, Midianites in conjunction with the Amalekites entered Canaan with their livestock and oppressed them. They were delivered by Gideon and battle was fought in the plain of Jezreel. 2 princes, Oreb and Zeeb were put to death.

<u>Moab</u>

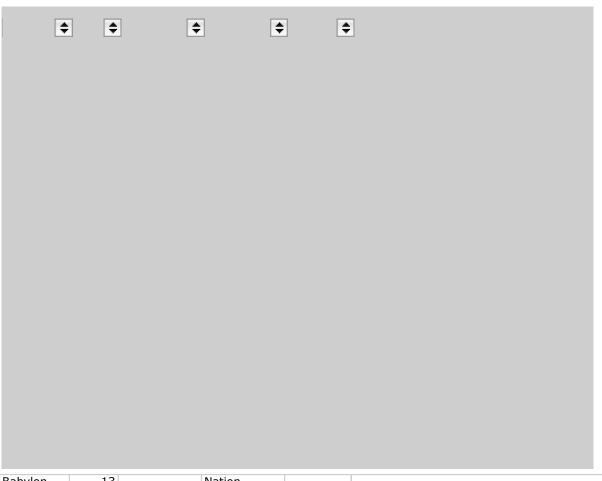
- 1. Son of Lot by incestuous union with his elder daughter (Gen. 19:37).
- 2. Taken possession of the country from plain of Heshbon to the wadi Kurahi, which emerges at the southern end of the Dead Sea and formed the boundary toward

Edom and with the Ammonites, his brother descendants.

- 3. Refused passage of the Israelites onto Canaan (Judg 11:17, Deut. 23:4). Moses was forbidden to attack them (Deut. 2:9).
- 4. King of Moab sent for Balaam to curse them (Num. 22-24).
- 5. Early in the time of Judges Eglon, King of Moab invaded Canaan, established his seat of government at Jericho. He was assassinated by Ehud (Jud. 3:12-30).
- 6. Saul warred with Moabites (1 Sam. 14:47) and David a fugitive put his father and mother in charge of King of Moab (1 Sam. 22:3-4).
- 7. After David became king, he overcame the Moabites, laid them under tribute and doomed a large portion to death (2 Sam. 8:2,12).
- 8. Jehoshaphat was king of Judah when the Moabites formed a confederacy with the Ammonites and the Edomites for the invasion of Judah. However, they turned their weapons against each other (2 Chron. 20:1-30).
- 9. Prophets denounced the Moabites often as types of the enemies of God (Is. 15). Philistia
- 1. Maritime plain of Canaan which lies between Joppa and Gaza, 50 miles in length and 15 miles in breadth. Very fertile bearing grain, oranges, figs, olives.

 Svria
 - 1.A country along eastern coast of Mediterranean and extending far inland. Encompasses most of the region know as Canaan and Aram. The name is sometimes used as a translation of Aram but inaccurately, being much too broad a term.

Background on Places & Other Geographic References

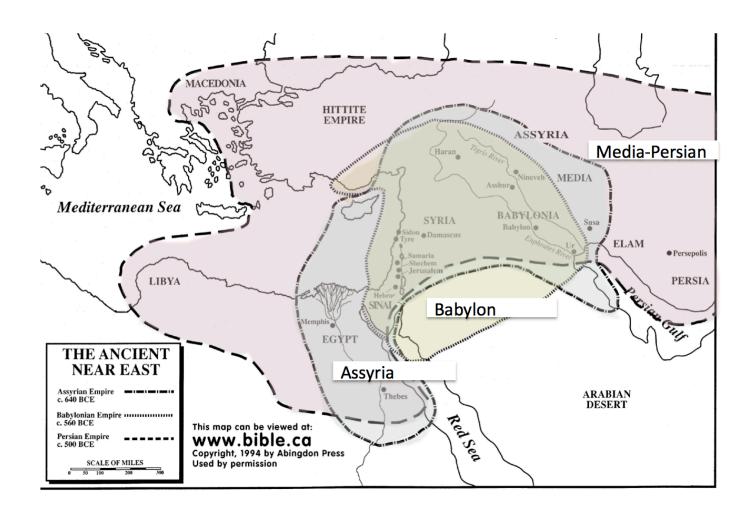


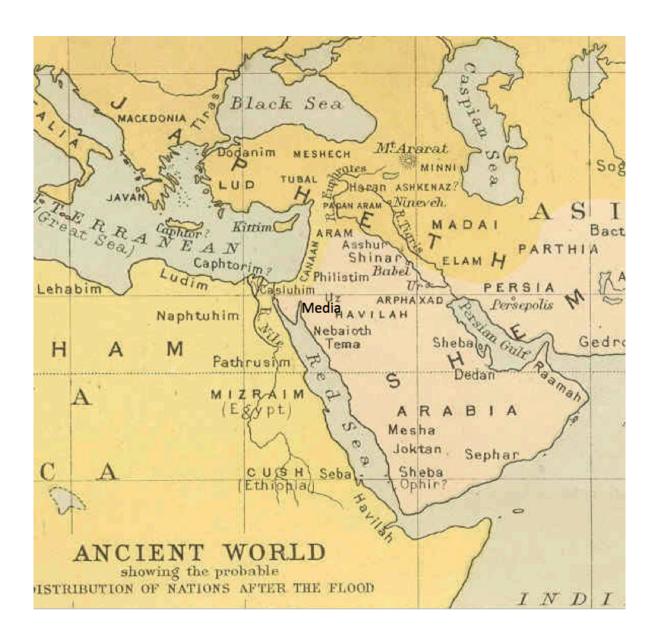
Babylon	13		Nation		
Bashan	2	2:13, 33:9	Nation		
Bozrah	2	34:6, 63:1	City	Edom	noted for its sheep
Calno					cited as example of Assyrians of futility of offering
Califo	1	10:9	City	Assyria	resistance
Canaan	2	19:18, 23:11	Land		land promised by God that Joshua conquered
Carchemish	1	10:9	City	Hittities	Capital, west Euphrates River, wealthy city
Carmel	2	33:9, 35:2	Range of Hills		On Mount Elijah prophets of Baal destroyed
Chaldeans	7	13:19, 23:13, 43:14, 47:1, 5, 48:14, 20	People of Baby	/lon	
Cush	8	11:11, 18:1, 20:3, 4, 5, 37:9, 43:3, 45:14	Nation		Descendants of Ham, located in central and southern Arabia, 2 Ki 19:9, Esther 1:1, Ezek 29:10
Cyprus	2	23:1, 12	Island		an island of Asia in the Mediterranean. It is about 140 miles long and 50 miles wide at the widest part.
Damascus	5	7:8, 8:4, 10:9, 17:1,3	City	Aram/Syria	one of the most ancient and most important of the cities of Syria. It is situated 130 miles northeast of Jerusalem, in a plain of vast size and of extreme fertility
Dedanites	1	21:13	People of	Dedan	related to Abraham thru Keturah, of Arabia, neighbors to Edom, where caravan routes converged
Dibon	1	15:02	City		North of Arnon, wrested away from Moah by the Amorites
Dimon	2	15:9	waters	Moab	apparently Dibon, regarded as waters of Megiddo

		11:14,			
Edom		21:11, 34:5,			
	5	6, 63:1	Nation		Descendants of Esau
Eglaim	1	15:8	City	Moab	(two ponds), a place named only in (Isaiah 15:8) probably the same as EN-EGLAIM.
Eglath- shelishiyah	1	15:5	City	Moab	
Egypt	38		Nation		
371					Beyond the Tigris, east of Babylonia, bounded on
Elam	3	11:11, 21:2, 22:6	Region		north by Assyria & Media, south by Persian Gulf, east and SE by Persia
Elealeh	2	15:4, 16:9	City	Moab	a place on the east of Jordan, taken possession of and rebuilt by the tribe of Reuben. (Numbers 32:3 Numbers 32:37) By Isaiah and Jeremiah it is mentioned as a Moabite town.
Ephah					rich in camels & dromedaries(1 hump camel used
Lprian	1	60:6	People of	Midianites	in racing)
Ephraim	11	7:2,5,8,9,17, 9:9,21,11:13, 17:3, 28:1,3	Nation		Ten tribes of which E. became the head, used in esp by the prophets, hos 5:3,5
		7:20, 8:7,			cop 27 and propriess, need only
Euphrates	3	27:12	Brook/River		
Gallim	1	10:30		Judah	4 towns SW Jerusalem
Geba	1	10:29		Judah	Northern extreme of Judah, allocated to priests
Gebim	1	10:31		Judah	North Jerusalem
Gibeah	1	10:29		Judah	on highway between Jerusalem and Ramah
Gibeon		10.23	Valley	Judan	off flighway between serasalem and Raman
Gomorrah	2	1:9,10,13:19			
Gomorian			City		
Hamath		10:9, 11:11, 36:19, 37:13		Israel	120 miles north of Damacus
Hanes		30:4	City	Egypt	50 miles south of Memphis
Hena	1	37:13	City	???	captured by the Assyrians
Heshbon	3	15:4, 16:8, 9	City	Sihon	taken by the Moabites
Horonaim	1	15:5	City	Moab	not far from Zoar,
Israel	86		Nation		
Ivvah	1	37:13	City	Israel ???	city that Sennacherib could boast Assyrians have taken.
Jahaz	1	15:4	Plain	Moab	Where Sihon King of the Amorites was defeated by Israelites, held by Moab at the time of Isaiah.
Jazer	2	16:8, 9	City	Gilead	East of Jordan
Jerusalem	46		City	Judah	
Jordan	1	9:1	River		
Judah	26		Nation		
Kedar		21.16.17		Arabia Petraea	Tile days days a CT-based days by the days and
	4	21:16, 17, 42:11, 60:7	People of	and Babylon	Tribe descendents of Ishmael, dwelt in black tents, possesing flocks and camels, arabian tribe,
Kir	4	15:1, 16:7, 11, 22:6	City	Moab	strong enough to resist forces of Israel, Judah & Edom, stands on a triangular hill, isolated
Kir-					
hareseth	2	16:7, 11			lowland, beseiged by Sennacherib, city Rabshakeh
Lachish	2	36:2, 37:8	City	Judah	was dispatched
Laishah	1	10:30		Judah	village in Benjamin between Gallim and Anathroth
Lebanon		2:13, 10:34, 14:8, 29:17, 33:9, 35:2, 37:24,			
		40:16, 60:13		-	Notes for large cedars,
Luhith	1	15:5	City	Moab	between Areopolis and Zoar

		7:9, 8:4,			
Samaria		9:9,			
Sallialia		10:9,10,11,3			
	7	6:19,	City	Israel	Many places with this name
Seir	1	21:12	Mountain Rang	Edom	Esau took up his abode there,
Sela	2	16:1, 42:11	Place	Edom	inhabitants dwelt in high in the clefts
					place where the Assyrians brought inhabitants to
Sepharvaim					Samaria, eastern bank of Euphrates, seat of the
	2	36:19, 37:13	City	Babylon	worship of sun god
Sheba					@ Beersheba, where Isaac made covenant with
Sileba	1	60:6	Well		Abimelech
Shebna		22:15, 36:3,			
Silebila	5	11, 22, 37:2	Person	Hezikiah	
Shiloah					
Silloan	1	8:06	Brook		sending of waters, an aqueduct, pool at Jerusalem,
					alluvial plain of Babylon, cities of Babel, Erech,
Shinar					Accad and Calneh, captives of Israelites carried
	1	11:11	Country		there
Sibmah					assigned to Reuben, celebrated for its vines, 0.5
Sibilian	2	16:8, 9	City	Moab	mile from Heshbon
					on seacoast, 22 miles north of Tyre, northern limit
Sidon					of the Canaanites, inhabitants as Isaiah prophecied
	3	23:2, 4, 12	City	Canaanites	would be taken to Cyprus.
Sodom		1:9,10,3:9,			
3000111	4	13:19	City		Plain of Jordon
		2:16, 23:1,			
Tarshish		6, 10, 14,			Tyre sister city, great ships traveled everywhere,
	7	60:9, 66:19	City	Phoenicia	built by Jehoshaphat to go to Ophir
Tema					well known for caravans, midway between
. 5/11/4		21:14	People of	Taima	Damascus and Medina
Tyre		23:1,			Hiram of Tyre was friendly to David and Solomon
.,,,	5	5,8,15,17	City	Phoenicia	and provided a lot of materials 55







Chapter 1

- I. The Lord's Charge Against Judah & Jerusalem. (Ch. 1-12).
 - A. Judah has revolted against the Lord (Ch. 1).
 - 1. This chapter has 4 sections. Please mark these in pencil on your text.
 - 2. Judah is "sick from head to foot" due to their sin (1:1-9).
 - a) vs. 1:
 - b) vs. 2: What does this phrase mean Listen, O heavens, and hear, O earth (see Deut. 31:8-32:1)?
 - c) vs. 3: What does Israel not know?
 - d) vs. 4: How pervasive had their sin become?
 - e) vs. 5-6:
 - f) vs. 7-8: What event(s) in Judah or Israel's history does this event refer to?
 - g) vs. 9: See Rom. 9:29.
 - 3. The Lord does not accept their worship (1:10-15).
 - a) vs. 10:
 - b) vs. 11-14: Check KJV. Read Ps. 51:16-17, I Sam. 15:22, Amos 5:21-23.
 - c) vs. 15: Read I Pet. 3:12.
 - 4. The Lord tells them to repent (1:16-20).
 - a) vs. 16-17: Here we see the mercy of God.
 - b) vs. 18: This famous quotation begins with an imperative command issued by our Lord, "Come Now".
 - c) vs. 19-20: Read Deut. 30:15,19.
 - 5. Tragic judgment will come to those who do not repent (1:21-31).
 - a) vs. 21-23: Read Hos. 9:1, Micah 3:9-11.
 - b) vs. 24-25: Jehovah will not sit idly by with this injustice.
 - c) vs. 26-27: Read Ps. 89:14, Jer. 23:5-6, Zech. 8:3.
 - d) vs. 28-31: What is the is the significance of the oaks and gardens?

- 6. Lessons.
 - a) True worship involves the condition of one's heart. We must live righteous lives for God to accept our worship.
 - b) We are free moral agents. God expects us to reason examine the facts and make decisions. We will be held accountable for our choices.

Chapters 2-5

- B. Jerusalem "Last Days" will be unlike present Jerusalem (Ch. 2-5).
 - 1. There are six sections in these chapters. Make them on the text. Also mark the subsections on the text also.
 - 2. In the "last days", Mountain of the Lord will be established (2:1-4).
 - b) vs. 2: Read Micah 4:1-3, Dan. 2:28, Acts 2:17, 3:24, Heb. 1:1-2, I Pet. 1:20.
 - 2) What is the mountain of the house of the Lord? What OT passage clearly defines this term? See Lesson 6.
 - 3. Their wicked ways will be brought down (2:5-4:1).
 - a) Key verses describing this section: 2:11-12, 3:13-14, 3:17.
 - b) Wealth enticed them to trust in materialism & to worship idols (2:5-2:11).
 - c) Judgment: A Day of Jehovah (2:12-22).
 - d) Consequences of Rebellion and Judgment on the Rulers (3:1-15).
 - 1) vs. 1: Read Deut. 28.
 - e) Indictment against women who adorned themselves immodestly (3:16-4:1).
 - 1)
 - 4. Future of Zion will be glorious (4:2-6).
 - 1) Vs. 2: Read 11:1, Jer. 23:5, Zech. 3:8.
 - 5. A song of the Lord's Vineyard (5:1-7).
 - 1) Vs. 1-2: Read Jer. 2:21, Ezek. 19:10-14.

- 6. Six woes upon the wicked (5:8-23).
 - a) Against greed for land & houses (5:8-10).
 - b) Against those pursue strong drink (5:11-17).
 - c) Against defiance toward God (5:18-19).
 - d) Against those who call evil good (5:20).
 - e) Against conceit (5:21).
 - f) Against those who practice injustice (5:22-23).
- 7. The Lord will bring a nation against them because they rejected His Word (5:24-30).
- 8. Lessons.
 - a. In our prosperous country, we need to be aware that covetousness prevents contentment (5:8-10).
 - b. In 2:12 and 22 and in many other places in Isaiah, God is against the proud and the lofty. We, who have so much, need to be careful to 1) not place ourselves above God, 2) say to ourselves it is through our doing only and 3) become less reliant on God.

Chapter 6

Lesson 10

- C. Isaiah's Call (Ch. 6).
 - 1. Mark the 2 sections on the text.
 - 2. Vision of God's Throne (6:1-4).
 - a. Vs. 1a: Isaiah dates his vision. What year is it? Who is the ruler(s) before his death? What is unique about dating this letter in Chapter 6?
 - b. Vs. 2: Read Gen. 3:24, Ex. 25:18-22, 36:35.
 - c. Vs. 3-4: Read Rev. 4:8.
 - 3. "Here am I, send me!" (6:5-13).
 - a. Vs. 5: Read Ps. 24:3-4.
 - **b.** *Vs.* 6-7:
 - c. Vs. 8
 - d. Vs. 9-10:
 - e. Vs. 11-12:
 - f. Vs. 13

4. Lessons.

- a. Do we have the willing and all-sacrificing attitude that Isaiah had in doing the work of the Lord? Here I am, send me!
- b. When the men either lead prayer or wait on the Lord Table's or preach or teach, do we have the humility and the penitent hearts recognizing our sins?
- c. Do we take the time daily to praise the Almighty?
- d. Are we aware that living in a sinful world, we can pickup attitudes and practices that are not becoming of a Christian?

Chapters 7-10

- D. Messianic Prophecies intermingled with present national crises (Ch. 7-12).
 - 1. There four sections of text. Mark them and the sub-sections as well.
 - 2. Jerusalem threatened by Syria (Aram) & Ephraim (Israel) (7:1-16).
 - a) Ahaz told not fear attack (7:1-9).
 - 1) Vs. 1: There is some uncertainty when the recorded events in Ch. 7 occur in the reign of Ahaz. There is also some uncertainty how the Ch. 7 events fit into the events recorded in II Ki. 16 and II Chron. 28.
 - 2) Vs. 1: To add further to these unknowns, there may be 1 to 3 different invasions by Syria and Ephraim.
 - a. Invasion 1: While Jotham was still on the throne, II Ki. 15:37.
 - b. Invasion 2: Ahaz was delivered into hand of Syria and great multitude was taken captive, II Chron. 28:5.
 - c. Invasion 3: Ahaz asks for help from Assyria (King Tiglath-Pileser), II Ki. 16:5-9, II Chron. 28:16-21. This may be the invasion in Isa. 7.
 - b) Lord's sign to Ahaz (7:10-16).
 - Ahaz should fear destruction coming from the Lord and from Assyria (7:17-8:8).
 - a) Desolations are promised (7:17-7:25).
 - b) Lord foretells destruction of Israel by Assyria (8:1-8).
 - 4. Lord should be feared and not enemy nations (8:9-9:21).
 - a) Fear and listen to the Lord (8:9-22).
 - b) Birth and Reign of the Prince of Peace (9:1-7).
 - 1) Vs. 1-2: Picture is 8:22 is one of g ; picture in 9:1 is one of g .
 - 2) Vs. 3-5: Note the 3 "Thou's" and who is the "Thou
 - c) Ephraim will be cut off because of pride and wickedness (9:8-21).
 - 5. Assyria is the rod of God's anger (10:1-34).
 - a) Woe to those who persist in wickedness (10:1-4).

- b) God will use Assyria as instrument of judgment (10:5-19).
- c) Remnant of Israel will return (10:20-23).
 - 1) Vs. 22: Read Rom. 9:27-28.
- d) Assyria will later be destroyed (10:24-34).
- 6. Lessons.
 - a) God's plans will be accomplished. "It shall not stand nor shall it come to pass", 7:7,8:10.
 - b) God is with us ("a son will be given to us", 9:6, Immanuel). This should give us tremendous strength and encouragement in overcoming our problems.

Chapters 11-12

- 7. Messiah and His Rule (11:1-12:6).
 - a) Mark the section and sub-sections on your text.
 - b) Who the King will be (11:1-5).
 - 1) Vs. 1: Read Isa. 4:2, Jer. 23:5, 33:15-16, Zech. 3:8, 6:12.
 - 2) Vs. 2: Read Matt. 3:16, Mk. 1:10, Luke 3:22, John 1:31-34. Did the Holy Spirit impart knowledge to the Branch?
 - 3) Vs. 3-5: What is the "clothing" of the Branch?
 - c) Where place of peace will be found (11:6-9).
 - 1) Vs. 6-9: Is this picture literal or figurative? Provide 2 reasons. If figurative, describe the picture with one word.
 - d) When this prophecy will be fulfilled (11:10).
 - 1) Vs. 10: Read Rom. 15:12.
 - e) Who receipents of these blessings are (11:11-16).
 - 1) Vs. 11: Read Jer. 25:11-12, 29:10, Rom. 11:5, 9:24-27.
 - 2) Vs. 12-16:
 - f) Song of thanksgiving for salvation (12:1-6).
 - 1) Vs. 1:
 - 2) Vs. 2:
 - **3)** Vs. 3-6:
- 8. Lessons.
 - a) God is love. He shows us His love through His providence. Seven hundred years BC, He made know to the Jews and people of that day that the Branch would bring peace between God and man. It gave the people hope of that day and the future generations.
 - b) Because of that hope, we ought to give thanks and praise Jehovah. For He is the only one from whom salvation comes.

Chapters 13-20

- II. The Lord's Judgment Against Certain Nations (Ch. 13-27).
 - A. Oracle against Babylon (13:1–14:32).
 - 1. This lesson deals with judgments on 6 nations (Babylon, Philistia, Moab, Damascus, Egypt, Ethiopia). Mark the section and sub-sections descriptions on your text.
 - 2. Destruction coming on Babylon (13:1-22).
 - a. The Call to Arms (13:1-5).
 - 1) Vs. 1: What word is used in KJV/ASV instead of "oracle"? Are these "oracles" favorable or unfavorable prophecies?
 - b. Terror on "the Day of the Lord" (13:6-16).
 - 1) Vs. 6: How is the "day of the Lord" used here and in Scripture?
 - 2) Vs. 9-10: Read Ezek. 32:7-8, Amos 5:4-5, 18-20, 8:9, Zeph. 1:4, 12, 14-15, Isa. 34:4-5, 8 and Acts 2:20-21.
 - c. Lord's instrument will be the Medes (13:17-22).
 - 3. Israel will be restored after Babylon falls (14:1-23).
 - a) Israel will be delivered & restored to their land (14:1-3).
 - 1) Vs. 1-3: Read Est. 8:17.
 - b) They will rejoice over the defeat of Babylon (14:4-23).
 - 4. Doom of Babylon is sure as that which God purposed against Assyria (14:24-32).
 - a) Lord's Purposes shall be carried out (14:24-27).
 - b) Philistia has no cause for rejoicing (14:28-32).
 - E. Oracle against Moab (Ch. 15:1-16:14).
 - 1. Devastation will be severe over all the whole land (15:1-9).
 - a) Vs. 1: Read Zeph. 2:8-9.

- 2. Moab too proud to accept offer of mercy (16:1-14).
 - a) Vs. 6-8: Read Jer. 48:29, 42.
- F. Oracle against Damascus (17:1-14).
 - 1. Judgment Against Damascus (17:1-3).
 - 2. The Leanness of Jacob (17:4-11).
 - 3. The Destruction of the Invader (17:12-14).
- G. Oracle against Ethiopia and Egypt (18:1-20:6).
 - 1. Ethiopia will pay homage to the Lord (18:1-7).
 - 2. Egypt will be afraid when Lord shakes His Hand over the land (19:1-25).
 - 3. Isaiah walked about naked as a sign against Ethiopia and Egypt (20:1-6).
 - 4. Lessons.
 - a) Moab was noted for its pride and arrogance. This is a common fault not only with Moab but many other nations in which judgment was rendered. What about our pride in our selves, our nation, our technology, our military, our prosperity?
 - b) God expects all nations to be subject to Him. He expects them to obey His will and will hold them accountable for their iniquities.

Chapters 21-27

- H. Oracle against Babylon, Edom and Arabia (21:1-17).
 - 1. This lesson continues with judgment on these 5 nations: Babylon, Edom, Arabia, Jerusalem and Tyre. This is followed by 3 chapters (25-27) discussing a summary judgment on the world for its transgressions. Mark the sections and subsection descriptions on the text.
 - 2. Babylon will be besieged by the Persians (Elam & Media) (21:1-10).
 - a) Vs. 1-2: Identify the following nations or cities in these verses: 18:1, 21:11(check KJV or ASV), 22:1, 29:1, 30:7.
 - 3. Edom will call out to watchman (21:11-12).
 - 4. The glory of Arabia shall fall (21:13-17).
 - a) Vs. 16-17: Read Jer. 49:28.
- I. Oracle against Jerusalem (22:1-25),
 - 1. Attitude of Frivolity and Irreverence will bring death (22:1-14).
 - a) Vs. 2-3: Read Jer. 52:7-11, Deut. 28:15-68.
 - 2. Two different fates for Shebna and Eliakim (22:15-25).
- J. Oracle against Tyre (23:1-18).
 - 1. Merchant city of Tyre will fall (23:1-7).

- 2. Ruin of Tyre was according to the purpose of the Lord (23:8-18).
- K. Lord punishes the world for their sins and delivers the righteous (Ch. 24-27).
 - 1. Whole earth laid waste because of its transgressions (24:1-23).
 - a) God's judgment is universal in scope (24:1-6).
 - b) Bitterness of His judgment described (24:7-23).
 - 2. Four songs extol the triumphant Lord (25:1-26:21).
 - a) Song of thanksgiving for victory over the ruthless (25:1-5).
 - b) Song of jubilation for the feast God prepares on Mt. Zion (25:6-8).
 - c) Song of rejoicing for salvation He assures (25:9-12).
 - d) Song of praise for hope of deliverance (26:1-21).
 - 3. God's enemies are overthrown and Spiritual Israel will be gathered (27:1-13).
 - 4. Lessons.
 - a) We today as Christians are enjoying the feast the Lord has prepared (25:6-8). This should provide us with an attitude of rejoicing and attitude of thanksgiving.
 - b) Trust in the Lord forever for the security and protection He provides (26:1-6).

Chapters 28-35

Lesson 15

III. The Lord is Only Source of Deliverance (Ch. 28-39).

Six woes are pronounced against those who do not trust the Lord. A "woe" is a mournful-sounding word of doom, which focuses attention to an impending disaster. Those receiving judgment are: Ephraim (Chap. 28, Israel), Ariel (Chap. 29:1-14, Jerusalem), those who hide their plans from the Lord (Chap. 29:15-24), rebellious children who turn to Egypt for help (Chap. 30), those who go down to Egypt (Chap. 31-32) and the destroyer (Assyria, Chap. 33). The six woes are followed by a prophecy against Edom (Chap. 34) and a promise of Zion's future glory (Chap. 35). This division ends with a historical account of Hezekiah and Assyria's assault on Jerusalem (Chap. 36-39). Interspersed throughout these chapters of woes and doom are promises of glorious days to come. These days will be realized under the rule of a righteous King described in later chapters as the Servant of Jehovah

- A. Woe to the proud leaders of Ephraim (Israel) and Jerusalem (Judah) (Ch. 28:1-29).
 - 1. Mark the sections and subsection descriptions on your text. Also mark the sections for Chapters 36-39 found at the end of this lesson.
 - 2. Samaria Rulers boasted of security but their fortress will be trodden under foot (28:1-6).
 - a. Vs. 1: Read I Ki. 16:24, Isa. 9:9-10, Amos 4:1, 6:6, Hosea 4:11, 7:5, 14.
 - 3. Jerusalem Rulers scorned God's warnings of destruction because they had made "A Covenant with Death" (28:7-22).
 - a. Vs. 7-8: Read vs. 14 & Lev. 10:8-11.
 - b. Vs. 11: Read Deut. 28:49-50.
 - 4. A Farm Parable teaches God's work is carefully and purposefully planned (28:23-29).
- B. Woe to the City of Ariel (Jerusalem) and those who hide their plans from the Lord (29:1-14).
 - 1. Jerusalem will be afflicted but later delivered (29:1-8).
 - 2. Irreverence for God's Word was cause of Jerusalem's affliction (28:9-14).

- C. Woe to those who hide their plans from God (29:15-24).
 - 1. Who sees us? (29:15-16).
 - a. Vs. 15: Read Heb. 4:13, Ps. 73:11.
 - 2. God has Plans of Sanctification and Renewal for the Future (29:17-24).
- D. Woe to rebellious children who make alliances with Egypt (30:1-33).
 - 1. Judah trusted in strength of Egypt but their help will be in vain (30:1-17).
 - 2. Messiah will bring a time of true security and help (30:18-26).
 - 3. Assyrians will reap God's vengeance (30:27-33).
- E. Woe to those who do down to Egypt and rely on horses, chariots and horsemen (31:1-32:20).
 - 1. Trusting in either Egypt or Assyria is folly (31:1-9).
 - 2. New era is coming in which men can trust in a King who reigns in righteousness (32:1-8).
 - a. Vs. 1-2: Read Isa. 11:4-5, 16:5, Jer. 23:5-6.
 - 3. A call to hear the Lord is exemplified in women (32:9-20).
- F. Woe to the destroyer (Assyria) (33:1-24).
 - 1. Condemnation shall come against Judah's foes (33:1-16).
 - 2. Messiah will bring protection and peace (33:17-24).
- G. Lords judges all nations for their sins and the righteous will be saved (Ch. 34-35).
 - 1. Judgment against Edom stands as example to world powers which resist God (34:1-17).
 - 2. Those redeemed by the Lord will find gladness & joy (35:1-10).
- H. Lessons.
 - 1. Where is your heart (29:13)? Is it far from the Lord? As we attend the assemblies, is our singing, our prayers, the Lord's Supper, Bible study being done by rote?
 - 2. Are you doing your "deeds in a dark place" (29:15)? Are you hiding your plans from the Lord?

- I. Lord saves Jerusalem from Assyrian Invasion and extends Hezekiah's Life (Ch. 36-39).
 - 1. Sennacherib leads Assyria into invasion against Judah (36:1-22).
 - a) Judah's defenced cities were taken (36:1).
 - b) Rabshakeh makes a defiant challenge to the men of Jerusalem, 36:2-22.
 - 2. Jerusalem is delivered from Assyria's invasion (37:1-38).
 - a) Isaiah gives an assuring prophecy (37:1-7).
 - b) Hezekiah responds to Sennacheribs's Letter by praying (37:8-20).
 - c) Angel of Lord slays 185,000 Assyrians (37:21-38).
 - 5. Hezekiah's sickness and promise of extended life (38:1-22).
 - a) Hezekiah is sick unto death but promised 15 yrs more (38:1-8).
 - b) Hezekiah's song of thanksgiving (38:9-22).
 - 6. Hezekiah shows his treasures to Merodach-baladan and Judah's captivity in Babylon is foretold (39:1-8).

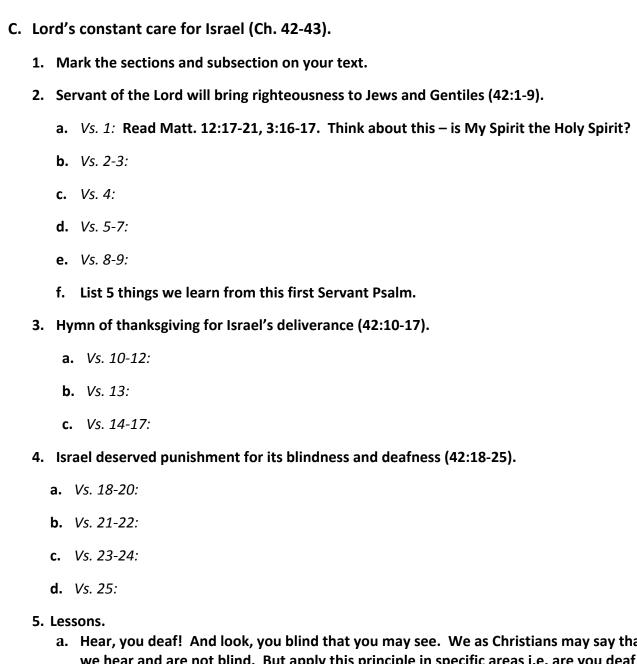
Chapters 40-41

Lesson 16

IV. The Lord vs. Idols (Ch. 40-48).

- A. Incomparable greatness of the Lord is the basis for comfort (Ch. 40).
 - 1. Write the descriptions of the sections and subsection on the provided text.
 - 2. A message of comfort and assurance (40:1-11).
 - a. Vs. 1: How do we know that Isaiah wrote the second half of this book since it deals with events beyond his death i.e. Babylonian captivity?
 - b. How is Jerusalem being used in verse?
 - c. Vs. 2: Read Deut. 30:2-3, 8-10, Isa. 61:7, Jer. 16:18, 17:18, Zech. 9:12.
 - 3. The Incomparable Greatness of the Lord (40:12-31).
 - a. "Having seen their city and temple destroyed, and having experienced terrible indignities at the hand of the Babylonian tyrant the tortures of hunger, the pain and fatigue of travel, and the humiliation of exile, bondage and servitude the people of Judah would find their faith strained to the breaking point. They would stumble into one of two pitfalls; they would either trust in false gods, which would only add to their state of hopelessness; or their imperfect knowledge of the true God would sink them in a state of despondency. In either case, they would need assurance and a refreshing of faith. They would need to be reminded of God's infinite greatness, His unfaltering love, and His unwavering care for His own", HH pg. 335.
- B. Lord challenges the idols to predict the future (Ch. 41).
 - 1. Lord foretells a Deliverer from the East (41:1-7).
 - a. Vs. 1: In last half of this verse, what picture is Isaiah drawing?
 - **b.** *Vs. 2-4:* **Read 44:28, 45:1, 13, 46:11, 48:14-16.**
 - c. Vs. 5-7: Whom did the heathen nations turn to?
 - 2. Lord encourages Israel to "Do Not Fear" (41:8-20).
 - a. Vs. 8-9: Read II Chron. 20:7, James 2:23.
 - b. Vs. 10-13: Note the phrase "Do not fear" or similar sentiment in the following verses: 10, 13, 14, 7:4, 8:11-14, 35:4, 37:6-7, 43:1-2, 5, 44:2,8, 51:7, 54:4, 14.

- 3. Lord challenges idols to predict the future (41:21-29).
- 4. Lessons.
 - a. "Do not Fear" (41:10-14) for the Lord is with His people.
 - b. We should use the Word of God to comfort those in need?



- a. Hear, you deaf! And look, you blind that you may see. We as Christians may say that we hear and are not blind. But apply this principle in specific areas i.e. are you deaf or blind to daily Bible Study?
- b. Isaiah has throughout the book used the creation account to confirm and assure God's message.

Chapters 43-48

- 6. Lord will be with Israel and will deliver His own (43:-1-28).
 - a. Mark the sections and subsections on your text.
 - b. Renewal of the promise to deliver (43:-1-7).
 - c. A challenge to Israel to serve as witnesses that He is Lord, Creator of Israel, your King (43:8-21).
 - d. But Israel is indifferent to God's Grace (43:22-28).
- D. The Lord will remember His people and deliver them (Ch. 44-45).
 - 1. God's chosen should not fear and He will pour out His Spirit on their seed (44:1-5).
 - 2. There is no other God beside Jehovah (44:6-28).
 - a. Only the Lord can declare events that are to come (44:6-8).
 - b. Idols are made by men who are blind and foolish (44:9-20).
 - c. In contrast, Lord made Israel (44:21-28).
 - 3. Lord promised to deliver Israel from captivity (45:1-13).
 - a. He has anointed Cyrus to be their deliverer (45:1-8).
 - b. Israel should not question God's way (45:9-13).
 - 4. Effect of Israel's deliverance will cause the Gentiles to turn to God (45:14-25).
 - a. Israel shall be saved by Lord with everlasting salvation (45:14-19).
 - b. Gentiles will turn to Jehovah when they understand that He is the One True God (45:20-25).

- E. Lord will bring judgment on Babylon (Ch. 46-48).
 - 1. Comparison is made between Babylon's idols and Israel's God (46:1-13).
 - a. Babylon carries their idols on their shoulders whereas the Lord carries Israel (46:1-7).
 - b. God's purposes will be established (46:8-13).
 - 2. Babylon will be transformed from queen to widowhood (47:1-15).
 - a. She will no more be called "Tender and Delicate", (47:1-11).
 - b. Occult arts will not be able to deliver Babylon (47:12-15).
 - 3. Israel's troubles were the result of their obstinate attitude (48:1-22).
 - a. Israel had not obeyed the Lord in truth and righteousness (48:1-8).
 - b. God is faithful and will carry out His purposes against Babylon (48:9-15).
 - c. Had Israel only been faithful, God's deliverance would not have been necessary (48:17-22).

4. Lessons.

- a. Our sins have an impact on God "You have wearied Me with your iniquities" (43:24).
- b. Do we have "our idols... our precious things" that get in the way of putting Him first in our lives (44:9-11)? This type of attitude is foolishness and of no profit.

Lesson 19

V. The Lord's Servant Will Bring Salvation through His Suffering (Ch. 49-57).

- A. The Lord's Servant is commissioned (Ch. 49).
 - 1. He will bring salvation to the end of the earth (49:1-6).
 - a) Vs. 1-2: Read 49:6, Acts 13:7. Who is speaking?
 - b) Vs. 3: Who is my servant, Israel?
 - c) Vs. 4-5:
 - **d)** Vs.6-7:
 - 2. He will comfort His people and provide spiritual food and water (49:8-13).
 - a) Vs. 8-9:
 - **b)** Vs. 10-11:
 - c) Vs. 12-13:
 - 3. He will not forget Zion (49:14-26).
 - a) Vs. 14-15:
 - **b)** Vs. 16-17:
 - c) Vs. 18-20:
 - d) Vs. 21:
 - e) Vs. 22-23:
 - f) Vs. 24-26:

4. Lessons.

- a. Do you sometimes feel that you have labored in vain in trying to persuade others either to obeying the gospel or coming back to the Lord? Consider how our Lord feels in 49:4.
- b. In the "roller coaster of life" with its "up and downs" we get discourage and think God either has forsaken us or does not care. This is absolutely a wrong attitude to have (49:14-15).

Chapters 50-52

- B. God's People are admonished to "Listen to Me". (Ch. 50-51).
 - 1. Mark the sections and subsections on your text.
 - 2. Israel encouraged to trust in the Lord (50:1-11).
 - a. Exiles are rebuked for thinking they were totally rejected (50:1-3).
 - 1) Vs. 1: Read Jer. 3:8, 11, 14, Deut. 24:1-4.
 - 2) Vs. 2-3: Read 6:9-10, 42:18-20.
 - b. Lord God will help His Servant (50:4-9).
 - 1) Vs. 4-5: Who is speaking? This is the 3rd Servant Song.
 - 2) Vs. 6-7: Read Heb. 12:2-3, 5:7-9, Phil. 2:5-11.
 - c. Lord will help all who trust in Him (50:10-11).
 - 3. Seek the Lord (51:1-23).
 - a. Faithful Israel is admonished to listen (51:1-8).
 - 1) Vs. 4-6: Read Rom. 3:27, 8:2, I Cor. 9:21.
 - b. An appeal to awaken and know the Lord comforts His People (51:9-16).
 - c. An appeal to Jerusalem to awake (51:17-23).
- C. The Vicarious Suffering Servant (Savior) (Ch. 52-53).
 - 1. Past care of the Lord is assurance for future (52:1-12).
 - a. Jerusalem is exhorted to awake and put on beautiful garments (52:1-6).
 - 1) Vs. 1-2: Read Ezek. 44:9, Joel 3:17, Isa. 35:8, Zech. 9:8-10, Col. 2:11, Rom. 2:28-29, Gal. 6:15.
 - b. Future deliverance is announced (52:7-12)
 - 1) Vs. 7: Read Rom. 10:15 and vs. 11.
 - 2) Vs. 8-10: Read 44:28, 45:1-8, II Chron. 36:22-23, Ezra 1.
 - 2. Lessons.
 - a. God comforts His people through His Word. We should confidence this is so from the creation of the world, 51:12-13.

b.	We as the people of God need to increase our trust and reliance on Him, 50:10.

Lesson 21

- 1. Mark the sections and subsections on your text.
- 2. Servant will be wounded for our transgressions (52:13-53:12).
 - a. Servant's destiny (52:13-15).
 - **1)** Vs. 13:
 - a) "My Servant will prosper" [my servant shall deal wisely, ASV][my servant shall deal prudently, KJV].
 - b) "He will be high and lifted up, and greatly exalted". [he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high, ASV][he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high., KJV] Read Eph. 1:20-23, Phil. 2:9-11, Acts 2:32-33.
 - 2) Vs. 14: Read Heb. 12:2-3.
 - a) "Many were astonished". [Many were astonished, ASV][Many were astonished at thee, K[V].
 - b) "His appearance was marred more than any man". [(His visage was so marred more than any man, ASV][His visage was so marred more than any man, KJV]. Read Matt. 26:67, 27:26-31.
 - **3)** Vs. 15: "Thus He will sprinkle many nations". [so shall he sprinkle many nations, ASV][So shall he sprinkle many nations, KJV].
 - a) "Kings will shut their mouths". [Kings shall shut their mouths, ASV][The kings shall shut their mouths at him, K]V]. Read Rom. 15:21.

b. His career (53:1-3).

- 1) Vs. 1: "Who has believed our message?" [Who hath believed our message, ASV][Who hath believed our report, KJV]. Read John 12:37-41, Rom. 10:16-21.
- 2) Vs. 2: "For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot". [For he grew up before him as a tender plant, ASV] [For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, KJV]. Read Ezek. 17:22-24.
- **3)** "He has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him [He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we see him, ASV][He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, KJV].
- **4)** Vs. 3: "He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows". [He was despised, and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, ASV] [He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, KJV].
- **5)** "We did not esteem Him". [He was despised, and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, ASV][we esteemed him not, KJV].

c. His suffering (53:4-6).

- 1) Vs. 4: "Surely our griefs He Himself bore, and our sorrows He carried". [Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows, ASV][Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows, KJV]. Read Rom. 3:23-26, II Cor. 5:2, Matt. 8:17.
- 2) Vs. 5: "He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities". [But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, ASV][But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, KJV]. Read Ps. 22:16, John 19:34, 37, Zech. 12:10.
- 3) "The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed". The chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. ,ASV|[The chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed., KJV].
- **4)** Vs. 6: "All of us like sheep have gone astray". [All we like sheep have gone astray, ASV][All we like sheep have gone astray, K[V].

d. His submission (53:7-9)

- 1) Vs. 7: "He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth". [He was oppressed, yet when he was afflicted he opened not his mouth, ASV] [He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth, KJV].]. Read Matt. 27:12-14, John 18:19-24.
- 2) Vs. 8: "By oppression and judgment He was taken away". [By oppression and judgment he was taken away ASV][He was taken from prison and from judgment, KJV.] Read Acts 8:32-33.
- **3)** "Who shall declare his generation (KJV)?" [as for his generation, ASV][And as for His generation, NASB.]
- **4)** Vs. 9: "His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death". [And they made his grave with the wicked, and with a rich man in his death, ASV] [And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, KJV]. Read Mark 15:27-28, Matt. 27:57-60.

e. His reward (53:10-12).

- 1) Vs. 10: "But the LORD was pleased". [Yet it pleased Jehovah, ASV][Yet it pleased the LORD,K]V]. Read Acts 2:23, Heb. 9:13-14, 10:10.
- 2) "He will see His offspring". [He shall see his seed, ASV][He shall see his seed, KJV].
- **3)** "He will prolong His days". [He shall prolong his days, ASV][He shall prolong his days, KJV]. **Read Rev. 1:17-18.**
- 4) "And the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand". [The pleasure of Jehovah shall prosper in his hand, ASV] [The pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand, KJV]. Read Col. 1:19, Rev. 5:4-7.
- **5)** Vs. 11: "The Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many". [My righteous servant justify many, ASV][My righteous servant justify many, KJV].

- **6)** Vs. 12: "Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great". [Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, ASV] [Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, KJV].
- **7)** Vs. 12: "Yet He Himself bore the sin of many, And interceded for the transgressors". [Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, ASV][He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors, KJV].

4. Lessons.

- a. This fourth Servant Psalm should inspire us to be faithful to our Master.
- b. These passages should highlight how terrible sin is in that the Son of God had to go through the humiliation and suffering and finally death to pay the penalty due us.

Chapters 54-57

- D. Future splendor of Zion is promised (Ch. 54-55).
 - 1. Mark the sections and subsections on your text.
 - 2. Lord will have great mercy and will enlarge Zion (54:1-8).
 - a. Vs. 1: Read Gal. 4:21-31.
 - b. Vs. 2-3: Read Isa. 26:15, 49:19-20, Rev. 7:9.
 - c. Vs. 6-8: Read Jer. 3:8, 12, 18, 29:10-14.
 - 3. Zion will have glory and permanence in the Messianic Age (54:9-17).
 - 4. Great invitation: all who thirsts are invited to come (55:1-13).
 - a. Mercy is free to all who accept (55:1-5).
 - 1) Vs. 3: Read 61:8, Jer. 32:39-40, Ezek. 16:60, 37:26, Acts 13:34.
 - b. Seek the Lord while He may be found (55:6-13).
- E. Eternal peace for the righteous and no peace for the wicked (Ch. 56-57).
 - 1. Those who preserve justice and do righteousness will be brought to God's Holy Mountain (56:1-8).
 - 2. Israel's watchmen are rebuked for having sought their own gain (56:9-57:2).
 - 3. Serving idols had profited them nothing and cost everything (57:3-13a).
 - 4. Humble and contrite will receive blessings (57:13b-21).
 - 5. 5. Lessons.
 - a. God's people have an "everlasting name" (56:5) that is a people enjoying God's blessings, His salvation and protection.
 - b. Do we still have a humble and contrite heart (57:15)? This is the type of heart God desires. Or through the years have we become proud of our accomplishments to the point of developing an insensitive and arrogant heart toward our Master?

Chapters 58-62

Lesson 23

VI. Future Glory for the Lord's People (Ch. 58-66).

- A. Blessing for those who delight in the Lord (Ch. 58).
 - 1. Mark the sections and subsections in your text.
 - 2. Hypocritical worship is rebuked and contrasted with blessings of an obedient life (58:1-12).
 - a. Vs. 1-2: Read Num. 10:9, Hos. 5:8, Joel 2:1, Amos 3:6.
 - **b.** *Vs. 3-5:* **Read Zech 7:7-12, Jer. 14:12**
 - 3. Proper observance of the Sabbath is encouraged (58:13-14).
- B. Israel's sins separated them from God (Ch. 59).
 - 1. Lord rebukes His people for their sins (59:1-8).
 - 2. Israel's sins are acknowledged and confessed (59:9-15a).
 - 3. Lord responds by promising vengeance upon His enemies and blessings to those who turn from transgressions (59:15b-21).
 - a. Vs. 20-21: Read Rom. 11:26-27.
- C. Future glory of a restored Zion (Ch. 60-62).
 - 1. Glory of the Lord will be upon Zion (60:1-22).
 - a. Zion's light will shine upon them (60:1-3).
 - b. Zion will be rebuilt in splendor and wealth (60:4-14).
 - c. Zion will be city of the Lord (60:15-22).
 - 2. Servant's mission (61:1-62:12).
 - a. Purpose of His mission (61:1-3).
 - 1) Vs. 1: Read Luke 4:16-21.
 - b. Effect of His mission (61:4-11).
 - 3. Zion's salvation is coming (62:1-12).
 - a. A new name will be given (62:1-5).

b. Lord has appointed watchmen and will provide protection over Zion as He brings salvation (62:6-12).

4. Lessons.

- a. Prayer is a spiritual blessing and a powerful tool to assist us in time of need. However, our prayers will be hindered if there is unrighteousness and sin (58:9, 59:2) governing our lives.
- b. We as the people of God need to appreciate and be thankful how God looks upon us. "The Lord delights in you", 62:4.

Chapters 63-65

- D. Israel's Prayer and the Lord's response (Ch. 63-65).
 - 1. Mark the sections and subsection on your text.
 - 2. Because love of Lord toward Zion, He will bring vengeance against all her enemies (63:1-9).
 - a. Vs. 1-3: Read 34:1-6.
 - 3. Though Israel often rebelled, they now pray for mercy and help (63:10-19).
 - a. Vs. 11-14: Read Num. 11:17, 25, 29, Hag. 2:5.
 - 4. A confession of sin is made along with an acknowledgement of dependence upon the Lord (64:1-12).
 - 5. The Lord's answer to their prayer (65:1-25).
 - a. Their suffering was a just reward for their sins (65:1-7).
 - b. A remnant shall be saved out of Zion who sought the Lord, but those who forsake the Lord shall be destroyed by the sword (65:8-16).
 - c. Lord's promise to create new heavens and a new earth (65:17-25).
 - 6. Lessons.
 - a. Those who rebel against God and grieve the Holy Spirit become God's enemy (63:10). What a sobering learning!
 - b. "Be glad and rejoice forever" (65:18) is the attitude the people of God should have being a part of His Holy Mountain.

- E. The Lord's final warnings and future glory of Zion (Ch. 66).
 - 1. Mark the sections and subsection on your text.
 - 2. Lord will look to Him that is poor and of contrite of spirit at His word (66:1-6).
 - a. Vs. 1: Read I Ki. 8:27, Jer. 23:23-24, Ps. 11:4, 103:19.
 - **b.** Vs. 2:: Read Acts 17:24-29, Matt. 5:3.
 - c. Vs. 3-4: Read 1:11-15.
 - **d.** Vs. 5-6:
 - 3. Blessings in the New Zion are promised (66:7-14).
 - a. Vs. 7-8: Read Rev. 12:1-2, Isa. 49:1-5, 54:1-4, Micah 4:10, 5:2-3.
 - **b.** *Vs. 9-11:* **Read Rom. 11:1-5, 20-23, 9:30-33.**
 - **c.** Vs. 12-14:
 - 4. Judgment is also promised upon the wicked (66:15-17).
 - a. Vs. 15-16: Read Ps. 97:3, Jer. 4:4, Ezek. 22:21, Heb. 12:29, II Thess. 1:7-8.
 - **b.** Vs. 17:
 - 5. All nations will be gathered to behold the Lord's glory (66:18-24).
 - **a.** Vs. 18-19:
 - b. Vs. 20: Read Gal. 4:25, 26, Heb. 12:22-29.
 - c. Vs. 21-22: Read I Pet. 2:9, Rev. 1:6, 5:10.
 - **d.** Vs. 23:
 - e. Vs. 24:
 - 6. Lessons.
 - a. How many times do we when confronting false doctrine say, "Thus says the Lord"? What an appropriate phrase to use.
 - b. This book ends with a frightful picture of judgment. What a sobering lesson for us as we toil year after year on this earth. Hopefully, we will never loose sight that indeed we can fall. May God help us to be faithful to the end!

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NASB TEXT

- 1:1 ¶ The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem which he saw during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.
- 2 ¶ Listen, O heavens, and hear, O earth; For the LORD speaks, "Sons I have reared and brought up, But they have revolted against Me.
- 3 "An ox knows its owner, And a donkey its master's manger, But Israel does not know, My people do not understand."
- 4 Alas, sinful nation, People weighed down with iniquity, Offspring of evildoers, Sons who act corruptly! They have abandoned the LORD, They have despised the Holy One of Israel, They have turned away from Him.
- 5 Where will you be stricken again, As you continue in your rebellion? The whole head is sick, And the whole heart is faint.
- 6 From the sole of the foot even to the head There is nothing sound in it, Only bruises, welts, and raw wounds, Not pressed out or bandaged, Nor softened with oil.
- 7 Your land is desolate, Your cities are burned with fire, Your fields--strangers are devouring them in your presence; It is desolation, as overthrown by strangers.
- 8 And the daughter of Zion is left like a shelter in a vineyard, Like a watchman's hut in a cucumber field, like a besieged city.
- 9 Unless the LORD of hosts Had left us a few survivors, We would be like Sodom, We would be like Gomorrah.
- 10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, You rulers of Sodom; Give ear to the instruction of our God, You people of Gomorrah.
- 11 "What are your multiplied sacrifices to Me?" Says the LORD. "I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams, And the fat of fed cattle. And I take no pleasure in the blood of bulls, lambs, or goats.
- 12 "When you come to appear before Me, Who requires of you this trampling of My courts?
- 13 "Bring your worthless offerings no longer, Incense is an abomination to Me. New moon and sabbath, the calling of assemblies-- I cannot endure iniquity and the solemn assembly.
- 14 "I hate your new moon festivals and your appointed feasts, They have become a burden to Me. I am weary of bearing them.
- 15 "So when you spread out your hands in prayer, I will hide My eyes from you, Yes, even though you multiply prayers, I will not listen. Your hands are covered with blood.
- 16 ¶ "Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; Remove the evil of your deeds from My sight. Cease to do evil,
- 17 Learn to do good; Seek justice, Reprove the ruthless; Defend the orphan,

Plead for the widow. 18 "Come now, and let us reason together," Says the LORD, "Though your sins

are as scarlet, They will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They will be like wool.

- 19 "If you consent and obey, You will eat the best of the land;
- 20 "But if you refuse and rebel, You will be devoured by the sword." Truly, the mouth of the LORD has spoken.
- 21 ¶ How the faithful city has become a harlot, She who was full of justice! Righteousness once lodged in her, But now murderers.
- 22 Your silver has become dross, Your drink diluted with water.
- 23 Your rulers are rebels, And companions of thieves; Everyone loves a bribe, And chases after rewards. They do not defend the orphan, Nor does the widow's plea come before them.
- 24 Therefore the Lord GOD of hosts, The Mighty One of Israel declares, "Ah, I will be relieved of My adversaries, And avenge Myself on My foes.
- 25 "I will also turn My hand against you, And will smelt away your dross as with lye, And will remove all your alloy.
- 26 "Then I will restore your judges as at the first, And your counselors as at the beginning; After that you will be called the city of righteousness, A faithful city."
- 27 Zion will be redeemed with justice, And her repentant ones with righteousness.
- 28 But transgressors and sinners will be crushed together, And those who forsake the LORD shall come to an end.
- 29 Surely, you will be ashamed of the oaks which you have desired, And you will be embarrassed at the gardens which you have chosen.
- 30 For you will be like an oak whose leaf fades away, Or as a garden that has no water.
- 31 And the strong man will become tinder, His work also a spark. Thus they shall both burn together, And there will be none to quench them.

<u>Chapter 2</u>

- **2:1** ¶ The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
- 2 Now it will come about that In the last days, The mountain of the house of the LORD Will be established as the chief of the mountains, And will be raised above the hills; And all the nations will stream to it.
- 3 And many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; That He may teach us concerning His ways, And that we may walk in His paths." For the law will go forth from Zion, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
- 4 And He will judge between the nations, And will render decisions for many peoples; And they will hammer their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, And never again will

they learn war.

- 5 Come, house of Jacob, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
- 6 ¶ For Thou hast abandoned Thy people, the house of Jacob, Because they are filled with influences from the east, And they are soothsayers like the Philistines, And they strike bargains with the children of foreigners.
- 7 Their land has also been filled with silver and gold, And there is no end to their treasures; Their land has also been filled with horses, And there is no end to their chariots.
- 8 Their land has also been filled with idols; They worship the work of their hands, That which their fingers have made.
- 9 So the common man has been humbled, And the man of importance has been abased, But do not forgive them.
- 10 ¶ Enter the rock and hide in the dust From the terror of the LORD and from the splendor of His majesty.
- 11 The proud look of man will be abased, And the loftiness of man will be humbled, And the LORD alone will be exalted in that day.
- 12 For the LORD of hosts will have a day of reckoning Against everyone who is proud and lofty, And against everyone who is lifted up, That he may be abased.
- 13 And it will be against all the cedars of Lebanon that are lofty and lifted up, Against all the oaks of Bashan,
- 14 Against all the lofty mountains, Against all the hills that are lifted up, 15 Against every high tower, Against every fortified wall, 16 Against all the ships of Tarshish, And against all the beautiful craft. 17 And the pride of man will be humbled. And the loftiness of men will be
- abased, And the LORD alone will be exalted in that day. 18 But the idols will completely vanish. 19 And men will go into caves of the rocks, And into holes of the ground

Before the terror of the LORD, And before the splendor of His majesty, When He arises to make the earth tremble.

- 20 In that day men will cast away to the moles and the bats Their idols of silver and their idols of gold, Which they made for themselves to worship,
- 21 In order to go into the caverns of the rocks and the clefts of the cliffs, Before the terror of the LORD and the splendor of His majesty, When He arises to make the earth tremble.
- 22 Stop regarding man, whose breath of life is in his nostrils; For why should he be esteemed?

Chapter 3

3:1 ¶ For behold, the Lord GOD of hosts is going to remove from Jerusalem and Judah Both supply and support, the whole supply of bread, And the whole supply of water; 2 The mighty man and the warrior, The judge and the prophet, The diviner and

the elder, 3 The captain of fifty and the honorable man, The counselor and the expert

artisan, And the skillful enchanter. 4 And I will make mere lads their princes And capricious children will rule over

them, 5 And the people will be oppressed, Each one by another, and each one by his

neighbor; The youth will storm against the elder, And the inferior against the honorable.

- 6 When a man lays hold of his brother in his father's house, saying, "You have a cloak, you shall be our ruler, And these ruins will be under your charge,"
- 7 On that day will he protest, saying, "I will not be your healer, For in my house there is neither bread nor cloak; You should not appoint me ruler of the people."
- 8 For Jerusalem has stumbled, and Judah has fallen, Because their speech and their actions are against the LORD, To rebel against His glorious presence.
- 9 ¶ The expression of their faces bears witness against them. And they display their sin like Sodom; They do not even conceal it. Woe to them! For they have brought evil on themselves.
- 10 Say to the righteous that it will go well with them, For they will eat the fruit of their actions.
- 11 Woe to the wicked! It will go badly with him, For what he deserves will be done to him.
- 12 O My people! Their oppressors are children, And women rule over them. O My people! Those who guide you lead you astray, And confuse the direction of your paths.
- 13 The LORD arises to contend, And stands to judge the people.
- 14 The LORD enters into judgment with the elders and princes of His people, "It is you who have devoured the vineyard; The plunder of the poor is in your houses.
- 15 "What do you mean by crushing My people, And grinding the face of the poor?" Declares the Lord GOD of hosts.
- 16 ¶ Moreover, the LORD said, "Because the daughters of Zion are proud, And walk with heads held high and seductive eyes, And go along with mincing steps, And tinkle the bangles on their feet,
- 17 Therefore the Lord will afflict the scalp of the daughters of Zion with scabs, And the LORD will make their foreheads bare."
- 18 In that day the Lord will take away the beauty of their anklets, headbands, crescent ornaments,
- 19 dangling earrings, bracelets, veils,
- 20 headdresses, ankle chains, sashes, perfume boxes, amulets, 21 finger rings, nose rings, 22 festal robes, outer tunics, cloaks, money purses, 23 hand mirrors, undergarments, turbans, and veils.
- 24 Now it will come about that instead of sweet perfume there will be putrefaction; Instead of a belt, a rope; Instead of well-set hair, a plucked-out scalp; Instead of

fine clothes, a donning of sackcloth; And branding instead of beauty.

- 25 Your men will fall by the sword, And your mighty ones in battle.
- 26 And her gates will lament and mourn; And deserted she will sit on the ground.

Chapter 4

- **4:1** ¶ For seven women will take hold of one man in that day, saying, "We will eat our own bread and wear our own clothes, only let us be called by your name; take away our reproach!"
- 2 ¶ In that day the Branch of the LORD will be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth will be the pride and the adornment of the survivors of Israel.
- 3 And it will come about that he who is left in Zion and remains in Jerusalem will be called holy--everyone who is recorded for life in Jerusalem.
- 4 When the Lord has washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and purged the bloodshed of Jerusalem from her midst, by the spirit of judgment and the spirit of burning,
- 5 then the LORD will create over the whole area of Mount Zion and over her assemblies a cloud by day, even smoke, and the brightness of a flaming fire by night; for over all the glory will be a canopy.
- 6 And there will be a shelter to give shade from the heat by day, and refuge and protection from the storm and the rain.

- 5:1 ¶ Let me sing now for my well-beloved A song of my beloved concerning His vineyard. My well-beloved had a vineyard on a fertile hill.
- 2 And He dug it all around, removed its stones, And planted it with the choicest vine. And He built a tower in the middle of it, And hewed out a wine vat in it; Then He expected it to produce good grapes, But it produced only worthless ones.
- 3 "And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, Judge between Me and My vineyard.
- 4 "What more was there to do for My vineyard that I have not done in it? Why, when I expected it to produce good grapes did it produce worthless ones?
- 5 "So now let Me tell you what I am going to do to My vineyard: I will remove its hedge and it will be consumed; I will break down its wall and it will become trampled ground.
- 6 "And I will lay it waste; It will not be pruned or hoed, But briars and thorns will come up. I will also charge the clouds to rain no rain on it." 7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, And the men of
- Judah His delightful plant. Thus He looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; For righteousness, but behold, a cry of distress.
- 8 ¶ Woe to those who add house to house and join field to field, Until there is no more room, So that you have to live alone in the midst of the land!
- 9 In my ears the LORD of hosts has sworn, "Surely, many houses shall become

desolate, Even great and fine ones, without occupants.

- 10 "For ten acres of vineyard will yield only one bath of wine, And a homer of seed will yield but an ephah of grain."
- 11 Woe to those who rise early in the morning that they may pursue strong drink; Who stay up late in the evening that wine may inflame them!
- 12 And their banquets are accompanied by lyre and harp, by tambourine and flute, and by wine; But they do not pay attention to the deeds of the LORD, Nor do they consider the work of His hands.
- 13 Therefore My people go into exile for their lack of knowledge; And their honorable men are famished, And their multitude is parched with thirst.
- 14 Therefore Sheol has enlarged its throat and opened its mouth without measure; And Jerusalem's splendor, her multitude, her din of revelry, and the jubilant within her, descend into it.
- 15 So the common man will be humbled, and the man of importance abased, The eyes of the proud also will be abased.
- 16 But the LORD of hosts will be exalted in judgment, And the holy God will show Himself holy in righteousness.
- 17 Then the lambs will graze as in their pasture, And strangers will eat in the waste places of the wealthy.
- 18 ¶ Woe to those who drag iniquity with the cords of falsehood, And sin as if with cart ropes;
- 19 Who say, "Let Him make speed, let Him hasten His work, that we may see it; And let the purpose of the Holy One of Israel draw near And come to pass, that we may know it!"
- 20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness; Who substitute bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!
- 21 Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, And clever in their own sight!
- 22 Woe to those who are heroes in drinking wine, And valiant men in mixing strong drink:
- 23 Who justify the wicked for a bribe, And take away the rights of the ones who are in the right!
- 24 Therefore, as a tongue of fire consumes stubble, And dry grass collapses into the flame, So their root will become like rot and their blossom blow away as dust; For they have rejected the law of the LORD of hosts, And despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.
- 25 On this account the anger of the LORD has burned against His people, And He has stretched out His hand against them and struck them down, And the mountains quaked; and their corpses lay like refuse in the middle of the streets. For all this His anger is not spent, But His hand is still stretched out.
- 26 He will also lift up a standard to the distant nation, And will whistle for it from the ends of the earth; And behold, it will come with speed swiftly.
- 27 No one in it is weary or stumbles, None slumbers or sleeps; Nor is the belt at its

waist undone, Nor its sandal strap broken.

- 28 Its arrows are sharp, and all its bows are bent; The hoofs of its horses seem like flint, and its chariot wheels like a whirlwind.
- 29 Its roaring is like a lioness, and it roars like young lions; It growls as it seizes the prey, And carries it off with no one to deliver it.
- 30 And it shall growl over it in that day like the roaring of the sea. If one looks to the land, behold, there is darkness and distress; Even the light is darkened by its clouds.

Chapter 6

- **6:1** ¶ In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple.
- 2 Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings; with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.
- 3 And one called out to another and said, "Holy, Holy, Holy, is the LORD of hosts, The whole earth is full of His glory."
- 4 And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke.
- 5 ¶ Then I said, "Woe is me, for I am ruined! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I live among a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts."
- 6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, with a burning coal in his hand which he had taken from the altar with tongs.
- 7 And he touched my mouth with it and said, "Behold, this has touched your lips; and your iniquity is taken away, and your sin is forgiven."
- 8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!"
- 9 ¶ And He said, "Go, and tell this people: 'Keep on listening, but do not perceive; Keep on looking, but do not understand.'
- 10 "Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, And their eyes dim, Lest they see with their eyes, Hear with their ears, Understand with their hearts, And return and be healed."
- 11 Then I said, "Lord, how long?" And He answered, "Until cities are devastated and without inhabitant, Houses are without people, And the land is utterly desolate, 12 "The LORD has removed men far away, And the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land.
- 13 "Yet there will be a tenth portion in it, And it will again be subject to burning, Like a terebinth or an oak Whose stump remains when it is felled. The holy seed is its stump."

Chapter 7

7:1 ¶ Now it came about in the days of Ahaz, the son of Jotham, the son of

Uzziah, king of Judah, that Rezin the king of Aram and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up to Jerusalem to wage war against it, but could not conquer it.

- 2 When it was reported to the house of David, saying, "The Arameans have camped in Ephraim," his heart and the hearts of his people shook as the trees of the forest shake with the wind.
- 3 Then the LORD said to Isaiah, "Go out now to meet Ahaz, you and your son Shear-jashub, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool, on the highway to the fuller's field,
- 4 and say to him, 'Take care, and be calm, have no fear and do not be fainthearted because of these two stubs of smoldering firebrands, on account of the fierce anger of Rezin and Aram, and the son of Remaliah.
- 5 'Because Aram, with Ephraim and the son of Remaliah, has planned evil against you, saying,
- 6 "Let us go up against Judah and terrorize it, and make for ourselves a breach in its walls, and set up the son of Tabeel as king in the midst of it,"
- 7 thus says the Lord GOD, "It shall not stand nor shall it come to pass."
- 8 "For the head of Aram is Damascus and the head of Damascus is Rezin (now within another 65 years Ephraim will be shattered, so that it is no longer a people), 9 and the head of Ephraim is Samaria and the head of Samaria is the son of Remaliah. If you will not believe, you surely shall not last.""
- 10 ¶ Then the LORD spoke again to Ahaz, saying,
- 11 "Ask a sign for yourself from the LORD your God; make it deep as Sheol or high as heaven."
- 12 But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, nor will I test the LORD!"
- 13 Then he said, "Listen now, O house of David! Is it too slight a thing for you to try the patience of men, that you will try the patience of my God as well?
- 14 "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.
- 15 "He will eat curds and honey at the time He knows enough to refuse evil and choose good. 16 "For before the boy will know enough to refuse evil and choose good, the

land whose two kings you dread will be forsaken. 17 \P "The LORD will bring on you, on your people, and on your father's house

- such days as have never come since the day that Ephraim separated from Judah, the king of Assyria."
- 18 And it will come about in that day, that the LORD will whistle for the fly that is in the remotest part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that is in the land of Assyria.
- 19 And they will all come and settle on the steep ravines, on the ledges of the cliffs, on all the thorn bushes, and on all the watering places.
- 20 In that day the Lord will shave with a razor, hired from regions beyond the

Euphrates (that is, with the king of Assyria), the head and the hair of the legs; and it will also remove the beard.

- 21 Now it will come about in that day that a man may keep alive a heifer and a pair of sheep;
- 22 and it will happen that because of the abundance of the milk produced he will eat curds, for everyone that is left within the land will eat curds and honey.
- 23 And it will come about in that day, that every place where there used to be a thousand vines, valued at a thousand shekels of silver, will become briars and thorns.
- 24 People will come there with bows and arrows because all the land will be briars and thorns.
- 25 And as for all the hills which used to be cultivated with the hoe, you will not go there for fear of briars and thorns; but they will become a place for pasturing oxen and for sheep to trample.

- 8:1 ¶ Then the LORD said to me, "Take for yourself a large tablet and write on it in ordinary letters: Swift is the booty, speedy is the prey.
- 2 "And I will take to Myself faithful witnesses for testimony, Uriah the priest and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah."
- 3 So I approached the prophetess, and she conceived and gave birth to a son. Then the LORD said to me, "Name him Maher-shalal-hash-baz;
- 4 for before the boy knows how to cry out 'My father' or 'My mother,' the wealth of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria will be carried away before the king of Assyria."
- 5 And again the LORD spoke to me further, saying,
- 6 "Inasmuch as these people have rejected the gently flowing waters of Shiloah, And rejoice in Rezin and the son of Remaliah;
- 7 "Now therefore, behold, the Lord is about to bring on them the strong and abundant waters of the Euphrates, Even the king of Assyria and all his glory; And it will rise up over all its channels and go over all its banks. 8 "Then it will sweep on into Judah, it will overflow and pass through, It will reach even to the neck; And the spread of its wings will fill the breadth of your land, O Immanuel.
- 9 ¶ "Be broken, O peoples, and be shattered; And give ear, all remote places of the earth. Gird yourselves, yet be shattered; Gird yourselves, yet be shattered.
- 10 "Devise a plan but it will be thwarted; State a proposal, but it will not stand, For God is with us."
- 11 For thus the LORD spoke to me with mighty power and instructed me not to walk in the way of this people, saying,
- 12 "You are not to say, 'It is a conspiracy!' In regard to all that this people call a conspiracy, And you are not to fear what they fear or be in dread of it.

- 13 "It is the LORD of hosts whom you should regard as holy. And He shall be your fear, And He shall be your dread.
- 14 "Then He shall become a sanctuary; But to both the houses of Israel, a stone to strike and a rock to stumble over, And a snare and a trap for the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
- 15 "And many will stumble over them, Then they will fall and be broken; They will even be snared and caught."
- 16 ¶ Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples.
- 17 And I will wait for the LORD who is hiding His face from the house of Jacob; I will even look eagerly for Him.
- 18 Behold, I and the children whom the LORD has given me are for signs and wonders in Israel from the LORD of hosts, who dwells on Mount Zion.
- 19 And when they say to you, "Consult the mediums and the spiritists who whisper and mutter," should not a people consult their God? Should they consult the dead on behalf of the living?
- 20 To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because they have no dawn.
- 21 And they will pass through the land hard-pressed and famished, and it will turn out that when they are hungry, they will be enraged and curse their king and their God as they face upward.
- 22 Then they will look to the earth, and behold, distress and darkness, the gloom of anguish; and they will be driven away into darkness.

- 9:1 ¶ But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles.
- 2 The people who walk in darkness Will see a great light; Those who live in a dark land, The light will shine on them.
- 3 Thou shalt multiply the nation, Thou shalt increase their gladness; They will be glad in Thy presence As with the gladness of harvest, As men rejoice when they divide the spoil.
- 4 For Thou shalt break the yoke of their burden and the staff on their shoulders, The rod of their oppressor, as at the battle of Midian.
- 5 For every boot of the booted warrior in the battle tumult, And cloak rolled in blood, will be for burning, fuel for the fire.
- 6 For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.
- 7 There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice

and righteousness From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

- 8 ¶ The Lord sends a message against Jacob, And it falls on Israel.
- 9 And all the people know it, That is, Ephraim and the inhabitants of Samaria, Asserting in pride and in arrogance of heart:
- 10 "The bricks have fallen down, But we will rebuild with smooth stones; The sycamores have been cut down, But we will replace them with cedars."
- 11 Therefore the LORD raises against them adversaries from Rezin, And spurs their enemies on,
- 12 The Arameans on the east and the Philistines on the west; And they devour Israel with gaping jaws. In spite of all this His anger does not turn away, And His hand is still stretched out.
- 13 Yet the people do not turn back to Him who struck them, Nor do they seek the LORD of hosts.
- 14 So the LORD cuts off head and tail from Israel, Both palm branch and bulrush in a single day.
- 15 The head is the elder and honorable man, And the prophet who teaches falsehood is the tail.
- 16 For those who guide this people are leading them astray; And those who are guided by them are brought to confusion.
- 17 Therefore the Lord does not take pleasure in their young men, Nor does He have pity on their orphans or their widows; For every one of them is godless and an evildoer, And every mouth is speaking foolishness. In spite of all this His anger does not turn away, And His hand is still stretched out.
- 18 For wickedness burns like a fire; It consumes briars and thorns; It even sets the thickets of the forest aflame, And they roll upward in a column of smoke.
- 19 By the fury of the LORD of hosts the land is burned up, And the people are like fuel for the fire; No man spares his brother.
- 20 And they slice off what is on the right hand but still are hungry, And they eat what is on the left hand but they are not satisfied; Each of them eats the flesh of his own arm.
- 21 Manasseh devours Ephraim, and Ephraim Manasseh, And together they are against Judah. In spite of all this His anger does not turn away, And His hand is still stretched out.

- **10:1** ¶ Woe to those who enact evil statutes, And to those who constantly record unjust decisions,
- 2 So as to deprive the needy of justice, And rob the poor of My people of their rights, In order that widows may be their spoil, And that they may plunder the orphans.
- 3 Now what will you do in the day of punishment, And in the devastation which will

come from afar? To whom will you flee for help? And where will you leave your wealth?

- 4 Nothing remains but to crouch among the captives Or fall among the slain. In spite of all this His anger does not turn away, And His hand is still stretched out.
- 5 ¶ Woe to Assyria, the rod of My anger And the staff in whose hands is My indignation,
- 6 I send it against a godless nation And commission it against the people of My fury To capture booty and to seize plunder, And to trample them down like mud in the streets.
- 7 Yet it does not so intend Nor does it plan so in its heart, But rather it is its purpose to destroy, And to cut off many nations.
- 8 For it says, "Are not my princes all kings?
- 9 "Is not Calno like Carchemish, Or Hamath like Arpad, Or Samaria like Damascus? 10 "As my hand has reached to the kingdoms of the idols, Whose graven images were greater than those of Jerusalem and Samaria,
- 11 Shall I not do to Jerusalem and her images Just as I have done to Samaria and her idols?"
- 12 So it will be that when the Lord has completed all His work on Mount Zion and on Jerusalem, He will say, "I will punish the fruit of the arrogant heart of the king of Assyria and the pomp of his haughtiness."
- 13 For he has said, "By the power of my hand and by my wisdom I did this, For I have understanding; And I removed the boundaries of the peoples, And plundered their treasures, And like a mighty man I brought down their inhabitants,
- 14 And my hand reached to the riches of the peoples like a nest, And as one gathers abandoned eggs, I gathered all the earth; And there was not one that flapped its wing or opened its beak or chirped."
- 15 Is the axe to boast itself over the one who chops with it? Is the saw to exalt itself over the one who wields it? That would be like a club wielding those who lift it, Or like a rod lifting him who is not wood.
- 16 Therefore the Lord, the GOD of hosts, will send a wasting disease among his stout warriors; And under his glory a fire will be kindled like a burning flame.
- 17 And the light of Israel will become a fire and his Holy One a flame, And it will burn and devour his thorns and his briars in a single day.
- 18 And He will destroy the glory of his forest and of his fruitful garden, both soul and body; And it will be as when a sick man wastes away.
- 19 And the rest of the trees of his forest will be so small in number That a child could write them down.
- 20 ¶ Now it will come about in that day that the remnant of Israel, and those of the house of Jacob who have escaped, will never again rely on the one who struck them, but will truly rely on the LORD, the Holy One of Israel.
- 21 A remnant will return, the remnant of Jacob, to the mighty God.
- 22 For though your people, O Israel, may be like the sand of the sea, Only a

- remnant within them will return; A destruction is determined, overflowing with righteousness.
- 23 For a complete destruction, one that is decreed, the Lord GOD of hosts will execute in the midst of the whole land.
- 24 ¶ Therefore thus says the Lord GOD of hosts, "O My people who dwell in Zion, do not fear the Assyrian who strikes you with the rod and lifts up his staff against you, the way Egypt did.
- 25 "For in a very little while My indignation against you will be spent, and My anger will be directed to their destruction."
- 26 And the LORD of hosts will arouse a scourge against him like the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Oreb; and His staff will be over the sea, and He will lift it up the way He did in Egypt.
- 27 So it will be in that day, that his burden will be removed from your shoulders and his yoke from your neck, and the yoke will be broken because of fatness.
- 28 He has come against Aiath, He has passed through Migron; At Michmash he deposited his baggage.
- 29 They have gone through the pass, saying, "Geba will be our lodging place." Ramah is terrified, and Gibeah of Saul has fled away.
- 30 Cry aloud with your voice, O daughter of Gallim! Pay attention, Laishah and wretched Anathoth!
- 31 Madmenah has fled. The inhabitants of Gebim have sought refuge.
- 32 Yet today he will halt at Nob; He shakes his fist at the mountain of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.
- 33 Behold, the Lord, the GOD of hosts, will lop off the boughs with a terrible crash; Those also who are tall in stature will be cut down, And those who are lofty will be abased.
- 34 And He will cut down the thickets of the forest with an iron axe, And Lebanon will fall by the Mighty One.

- 11:1 ¶ Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit.
- 2 And the Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
- 3 And He will delight in the fear of the LORD, And He will not judge by what His eyes see, Nor make a decision by what His ears hear;
- 4 But with righteousness He will judge the poor, And decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth; And He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked.
- 5 Also righteousness will be the belt about His loins, And faithfulness the belt about His waist.

- 6 And the wolf will dwell with the lamb, And the leopard will lie down with the kid, And the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little boy will lead them.
- 7 Also the cow and the bear will graze; Their young will lie down together; And the lion will eat straw like the ox.
- 8 And the nursing child will play by the hole of the cobra, And the weaned child will put his hand on the viper's den.
- 9 They will not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD As the waters cover the sea.
- 10 ¶ Then it will come about in that day That the nations will resort to the root of Jesse, Who will stand as a signal for the peoples; And His resting place will be glorious.
- 11 Then it will happen on that day that the Lord Will again recover the second time with His hand The remnant of His people, who will remain, From Assyria, Egypt, Pathros, Cush, Elam, Shinar, Hamath, And from the islands of the sea.
- 12 And He will lift up a standard for the nations, And will assemble the banished ones of Israel, And will gather the dispersed of Judah From the four corners of the earth.
- 13 Then the jealousy of Ephraim will depart, And those who harass Judah will be cut off; Ephraim will not be jealous of Judah, And Judah will not harass Ephraim.
- 14 And they will swoop down on the slopes of the Philistines on the west; Together they will plunder the sons of the east; They will possess Edom and Moab; And the sons of Ammon will be subject to them. 15 And the LORD will

utterly destroy The tongue of the Sea of Egypt; And He

will wave His hand over the River With His scorching wind; And He will strike it into seven streams, And make men walk over dry-shod.

16 And there will be a highway from Assyria For the remnant of His people who will be left, Just as there was for Israel In the day that they came up out of the land of Egypt.

- 12:1 ¶ Then you will say on that day, "I will give thanks to Thee, O LORD; For although Thou wast angry with me, Thine anger is turned away, And Thou dost comfort me.
- 2 "Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; For the LORD GOD is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation."
- 3 Therefore you will joyously draw water From the springs of salvation.
- 4 ¶ And in that day you will say, "Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name. Make known His deeds among the peoples; Make them remember that His name is exalted."
- 5 Praise the LORD in song, for He has done excellent things; Let this be known throughout the earth.

6 Cry aloud and shout for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

- 13:1 ¶ The oracle concerning Babylon which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw.
- 2 Lift up a standard on the bare hill, Raise your voice to them, Wave the hand that they may enter the doors of the nobles.
- 3 I have commanded My consecrated ones, I have even called My mighty warriors, My proudly exulting ones, To execute My anger.
- 4 A sound of tumult on the mountains, Like that of many people! A sound of the uproar of kingdoms, Of nations gathered together! The LORD of hosts is mustering the army for battle.
- 5 They are coming from a far country From the farthest horizons, The LORD and His instruments of indignation, To destroy the whole land.
- 6 ¶ Wail, for the day of the LORD is near! It will come as destruction from the Almighty.
- 7 Therefore all hands will fall limp, And every man's heart will melt.
- 8 And they will be terrified, Pains and anguish will take hold of them; They will writhe like a woman in labor, They will look at one another in astonishment, Their faces aflame.
- 9 Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, Cruel, with fury and burning anger, To make the land a desolation; And He will exterminate its sinners from it.
- 10 For the stars of heaven and their constellations Will not flash forth their light; The sun will be dark when it rises, And the moon will not shed its light.
- 11 Thus I will punish the world for its evil, And the wicked for their iniquity; I will also put an end to the arrogance of the proud, And abase the haughtiness of the ruthless.
- 12 I will make mortal man scarcer than pure gold, And mankind than the gold of Ophir.
- 13 Therefore I shall make the heavens tremble, And the earth will be shaken from its place At the fury of the LORD of hosts In the day of His burning anger.
- 14 And it will be that like a hunted gazelle, Or like sheep with none to gather them, They will each turn to his own people, And each one flee to his own land.
- 15 Anyone who is found will be thrust through, And anyone who is captured will fall by the sword.
- 16 Their little ones also will be dashed to pieces Before their eyes; Their houses will be plundered And their wives ravished.
- 17 Behold, I am going to stir up the Medes against them, Who will not value silver or take pleasure in gold,
- 18 And their bows will mow down the young men, They will not even have compassion on the fruit of the womb. Nor will their eye pity children.
- 19 ¶ And Babylon, the beauty of kingdoms, the glory of the Chaldeans' pride, Will

be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.

- 20 It will never be inhabited or lived in from generation to generation; Nor will the Arab pitch his tent there, Nor will shepherds make their flocks lie down there.
- 21 But desert creatures will lie down there, And their houses will be full of owls, Ostriches also will live there, and shaggy goats will frolic there.
- 22 And hyenas will howl in their fortified towers And jackals in their luxurious palaces. Her fateful time also will soon come And her days will not be prolonged.

- **14:1** ¶ When the LORD will have compassion on Jacob, and again choose Israel, and settle them in their own land, then strangers will join them and attach themselves to the house of Jacob.
- 2 And the peoples will take them along and bring them to their place, and the house of Israel will possess them as an inheritance in the land of the LORD as male servants and female servants; and they will take their captors captive, and will rule over their oppressors.
- 3 And it will be in the day when the LORD gives you rest from your pain and turmoil and harsh service in which you have been enslaved,
- 4 ¶ that you will take up this taunt against the king of Babylon, and say, "How the oppressor has ceased, And how fury has ceased!
- 5 "The LORD has broken the staff of the wicked, The scepter of rulers
- 6 Which used to strike the peoples in fury with unceasing strokes, Which subdued the nations in anger with unrestrained persecution.
- 7 "The whole earth is at rest and is quiet; They break forth into shouts of joy.
- 8 "Even the cypress trees rejoice over you, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, 'Since you were laid low, no tree cutter comes up against us.'
- 9 "Sheol from beneath is excited over you to meet you when you come; It arouses for you the spirits of the dead, all the leaders of the earth; It raises all the kings of the nations from their thrones.
- 10 "They will all respond and say to you, 'Even you have been made weak as we, You have become like us.
- 11 'Your pomp and the music of your harps Have been brought down to Sheol; Maggots are spread out as your bed beneath you, And worms are your covering.'
- 12 "How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations!
- 13 "But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north.
- 14 'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.'
- 15 "Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol, To the recesses of the pit.
- 16 "Those who see you will gaze at you, They will ponder over you, saying, 'Is this

the man who made the earth tremble, Who shook kingdoms,

- 17 Who made the world like a wilderness And overthrew its cities, Who did not allow his prisoners to go home?'
- 18 "All the kings of the nations lie in glory, Each in his own tomb.
- 19 "But you have been cast out of your tomb Like a rejected branch, Clothed with the slain who are pierced with a sword, Who go down to the stones of the pit, Like a trampled corpse.
- 20 "You will not be united with them in burial, Because you have ruined your country, You have slain your people. May the offspring of evildoers not be mentioned forever.
- 21 "Prepare for his sons a place of slaughter Because of the iniquity of their fathers. They must not arise and take possession of the earth And fill the face of the world with cities."
- 22 "And I will rise up against them," declares the LORD of hosts, "and will cut off from Babylon name and survivors, offspring and posterity," declares the LORD.
- 23 "I will also make it a possession for the hedgehog, and swamps of water, and I will sweep it with the broom of destruction," declares the LORD of hosts.
- 24 ¶ The LORD of hosts has sworn saying, "Surely, just as I have intended so it has happened, and just as I have planned so it will stand,
- 25 to break Assyria in My land, and I will trample him on My mountains. Then his yoke will be removed from them, and his burden removed from their shoulder.
- 26 "This is the plan devised against the whole earth; and this is the hand that is stretched out against all the nations.
- 27 "For the LORD of hosts has planned, and who can frustrate it? And as for His stretched-out hand, who can turn it back?"
- 28 In the year that King Ahaz died this oracle came:
- 29 "Do not rejoice, O Philistia, all of you, Because the rod that struck you is broken; For from the serpent's root a viper will come out, And its fruit will be a flying serpent.
- 30 "And those who are most helpless will eat, And the needy will lie down in security; I will destroy your root with famine, And it will kill off your survivors.
- 31 "Wail, O gate; cry, O city; Melt away, O Philistia, all of you; For smoke comes from the north, And there is no straggler in his ranks.
- 32 "How then will one answer the messengers of the nation? That the LORD has founded Zion, And the afflicted of His people will seek refuge in it."

- **15:1** ¶ The oracle concerning Moab. Surely in a night Ar of Moab is devastated and ruined; Surely in a night Kir of Moab is devastated and ruined.
- 2 They have gone up to the temple and to Dibon, even to the high places to weep. Moab wails over Nebo and Medeba; Everyone's head is bald and every beard is cut off.

- 3 In their streets they have girded themselves with sackcloth; On their housetops and in their squares Everyone is wailing, dissolved in tears.
- 4 Heshbon and Elealeh also cry out, Their voice is heard all the way to Jahaz; Therefore the armed men of Moab cry aloud; His soul trembles within him. 5 My heart cries out for Moab; His fugitives are as far as Zoar and Eglath-shelishiyah, For they go up the ascent of Luhith weeping; Surely on the road to Horonaim they raise a cry of distress over their ruin.
- 6 ¶ For the waters of Nimrim are desolate. Surely the grass is withered, the tender grass died out, There is no green thing.
- 7 Therefore the abundance which they have acquired and stored up They carry off over the brook of Arabim.
- 8 For the cry of distress has gone around the territory of Moab, Its wail goes as far as Eglaim and its wailing even to Beer-elim.
- 9 For the waters of Dimon are full of blood; Surely I will bring added woes upon Dimon, A lion upon the fugitives of Moab and upon the remnant of the land.

- 16:1 ¶ Send the tribute lamb to the ruler of the land, From Sela by way of the wilderness to the mountain of the daughter of Zion.
- 2 Then, like fleeing birds or scattered nestlings, The daughters of Moab will be at the fords of the Arnon. 3 "Give us advice, make a decision; Cast your shadow like night at high noon;
- Hide the outcasts, do not betray the fugitive. 4 "Let the outcasts of Moab stay with you; Be a hiding place to them from the
- destroyer." For the extortioner has come to an end, destruction has ceased, Oppressors have completely disappeared from the land.
- 5 A throne will even be established in lovingkindness, And a judge will sit on it in faithfulness in the tent of David; Moreover, he will seek justice And be prompt in righteousness.
- 6 ¶ We have heard of the pride of Moab, an excessive pride; Even of his arrogance, pride, and fury; His idle boasts are false.
- 7 Therefore Moab shall wail; everyone of Moab shall wail. You shall moan for the raisin cakes of Kir-hareseth As those who are utterly stricken.
- 8 For the fields of Heshbon have withered, the vines of Sibmah as well; The lords of the nations have trampled down its choice clusters Which reached as far as Jazer and wandered to the deserts; Its tendrils spread themselves out and passed over the sea.
- 9 Therefore I will weep bitterly for Jazer, for the vine of Sibmah; I will drench you with my tears, O Heshbon and Elealeh; For the shouting over your summer fruits and your harvest has fallen away.
- 10 And gladness and joy are taken away from the fruitful field; In the vineyards also there will be no cries of joy or jubilant shouting, No treader treads out wine in the presses, For I have made the shouting to cease.

- 11 Therefore my heart intones like a harp for Moab, And my inward feelings for Kirhareseth.
- 12 So it will come about when Moab presents himself, When he wearies himself upon his high place, And comes to his sanctuary to pray, That he will not prevail.
- 13 This is the word which the LORD spoke earlier concerning Moab.
- 14 But now the LORD speaks, saying, "Within three years, as a hired man would count them, the glory of Moab will be degraded along with all his great population, and his remnant will be very small and impotent."

- 17:1 ¶ The oracle concerning Damascus. "Behold, Damascus is about to be removed from being a city, And it will become a fallen ruin.
- 2 "The cities of Aroer are forsaken; They will be for flocks to lie down in, And there will be no one to frighten them.
- 3 "The fortified city will disappear from Ephraim, And sovereignty from Damascus And the remnant of Aram; They will be like the glory of the sons of Israel," Declares the LORD of hosts.
- 4 Now it will come about in that day that the glory of Jacob will fade, And the fatness of his flesh will become lean. 5 It will be even like the reaper gathering the standing grain, As his arm
- harvests the ears, Or it will be like one gleaning ears of grain In the valley of Rephaim.
- 6 ¶ Yet gleanings will be left in it like the shaking of an olive tree, Two or three olives on the topmost bough, Four or five on the branches of a fruitful tree, Declares the LORD, the God of Israel.
- 7 In that day man will have regard for his Maker, And his eyes will look to the Holy One of Israel.
- 8 And he will not have regard for the altars, the work of his hands, Nor will he look to that which his fingers have made, Even the Asherim and incense stands.
- 9 ¶ In that day their strong cities will be like forsaken places in the forest, Or like branches which they abandoned before the sons of Israel; And the land will be a desolation.
- 10 For you have forgotten the God of your salvation And have not remembered the rock of your refuge. Therefore you plant delightful plants And set them with vine slips of a strange god.
- 11 In the day that you plant it you carefully fence it in, And in the morning you bring your seed to blossom; But the harvest will be a heap In a day of sickliness and incurable pain.
- 12 ¶ Alas, the uproar of many peoples Who roar like the roaring of the seas, And the rumbling of nations Who rush on like the rumbling of mighty waters!
- 13 The nations rumble on like the rumbling of many waters, But He will rebuke them and they will flee far away, And be chased like chaff in the mountains before

the wind, Or like whirling dust before a gale.

14 At evening time, behold, there is terror! Before morning they are no more. Such will be the portion of those who plunder us, And the lot of those who pillage us.

Chapter 18

- **18:1** ¶ Alas, oh land of whirring wings Which lies beyond the rivers of Cush, 2 Which sends envoys by the sea, Even in papyrus vessels on the surface of the waters. Go, swift messengers, to a nation tall and smooth, To a people feared far and wide, A powerful and oppressive nation Whose land the rivers divide.
- 3 All you inhabitants of the world and dwellers on earth, As soon as a standard is raised on the mountains, you will see it, And as soon as the trumpet is blown, you will hear it.
- 4 For thus the LORD has told me, "I will look from My dwelling place quietly Like dazzling heat in the sunshine, Like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest."
- 5 For before the harvest, as soon as the bud blossoms And the flower becomes a ripening grape, Then He will cut off the sprigs with pruning knives And remove and cut away the spreading branches. 6 They will be left together for mountain birds of prey, And for the beasts of

the earth; And the birds of prey will spend the summer feeding on them, And all the beasts of the earth will spend harvest time on them.

7 At that time a gift of homage will be brought to the LORD of hosts From a people tall and smooth, Even from a people feared far and wide, A powerful and oppressive nation, Whose land the rivers divide-- To the place of the name of the LORD of hosts, even Mount Zion.

- 19:1 ¶ The oracle concerning Egypt. Behold, the LORD is riding on a swift cloud, and is about to come to Egypt; The idols of Egypt will tremble at His presence, And the heart of the Egyptians will melt within them.
- 2 "So I will incite Egyptians against Egyptians; And they will each fight against his brother, and each against his neighbor, City against city, and kingdom against kingdom.
- 3 "Then the spirit of the Egyptians will be demoralized within them; And I will confound their strategy, So that they will resort to idols and ghosts of the dead, And to mediums and spiritists.
- 4 "Moreover, I will deliver the Egyptians into the hand of a cruel master, And a mighty king will rule over them," declares the Lord GOD of hosts.
- 5 And the waters from the sea will dry up, And the river will be parched and dry.
- 6 And the canals will emit a stench, The streams of Egypt will thin out and dry up; The reeds and rushes will rot away.
- 7 The bulrushes by the Nile, by the edge of the Nile And all the sown fields by the Nile Will become dry, be driven away, and be no more.

- 8 And the fishermen will lament, And all those who cast a line into the Nile will mourn, And those who spread nets on the waters will pine away.
- 9 Moreover, the manufacturers of linen made from combed flax And the weavers of white cloth will be utterly dejected.
- 10 And the pillars of Egypt will be crushed; All the hired laborers will be grieved in soul.
- 11 The princes of Zoan are mere fools; The advice of Pharaoh's wisest advisers has become stupid. How can you men say to Pharaoh, "I am a son of the wise, a son of ancient kings"?
- 12 Well then, where are your wise men? Please let them tell you, And let them understand what the LORD of hosts Has purposed against Egypt.
- 13 The princes of Zoan have acted foolishly, The princes of Memphis are deluded; Those who are the cornerstone of her tribes Have led Egypt astray.
- 14 The LORD has mixed within her a spirit of distortion; They have led Egypt astray in all that it does, As a drunken man staggers in his vomit.
- 15 And there will be no work for Egypt Which its head or tail, its palm branch or bulrush, may do.
- 16 In that day the Egyptians will become like women, and they will tremble and be in dread because of the waving of the hand of the LORD of hosts, which He is going to wave over them.
- 17 And the land of Judah will become a terror to Egypt; everyone to whom it is mentioned will be in dread of it, because of the purpose of the LORD of hosts which He is purposing against them.
- 18 ¶ In that day five cities in the land of Egypt will be speaking the language of Canaan and swearing allegiance to the LORD of hosts; one will be called the City of Destruction.
- 19 In that day there will be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar to the LORD near its border.
- 20 And it will become a sign and a witness to the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt; for they will cry to the LORD because of oppressors, and He will send them a Savior and a Champion, and He will deliver them.
- 21 Thus the LORD will make Himself known to Egypt, and the Egyptians will know the LORD in that day. They will even worship with sacrifice and offering, and will make a vow to the LORD and perform it.
- 22 And the LORD will strike Egypt, striking but healing; so they will return to the LORD, and He will respond to them and will heal them.
- 23 In that day there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrians will come into Egypt and the Egyptians into Assyria, and the Egyptians will worship with the Assyrians.
- 24 In that day Israel will be the third party with Egypt and Assyria, a blessing in the midst of the earth,
- 25 whom the LORD of hosts has blessed, saying, "Blessed is Egypt My people, and

Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel My inheritance."

Chapter 20

- **20:1** ¶ In the year that the commander came to Ashdod, when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him and he fought against Ashdod and captured it,
- 2 at that time the LORD spoke through Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, "Go and loosen the sackcloth from your hips, and take your shoes off your feet." And he did so, going naked and barefoot.
- 3 And the LORD said, "Even as My servant Isaiah has gone naked and barefoot three years as a sign and token against Egypt and Cush,
- 4 so the king of Assyria will lead away the captives of Egypt and the exiles of Cush, young and old, naked and barefoot with buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt.
- 5 "Then they shall be dismayed and ashamed because of Cush their hope and Egypt their boast.
- 6 "So the inhabitants of this coastland will say in that day, 'Behold, such is our hope, where we fled for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria; and we, how shall we escape?"

- **21:1** ¶ The oracle concerning the wilderness of the sea. As windstorms in the Negev sweep on, It comes from the wilderness, from a terrifying land.
- 2 A harsh vision has been shown to me; The treacherous one still deals treacherously, and the destroyer still destroys. Go up, Elam, lay siege, Media; I have made an end of all the groaning she has caused.
- 3 For this reason my loins are full of anguish; Pains have seized me like the pains of a woman in labor. I am so bewildered I cannot hear, so terrified I cannot see.
- 4 My mind reels, horror overwhelms me; The twilight I longed for has been turned for me into trembling.
- 5 They set the table, they spread out the cloth, they eat, they drink; "Rise up, captains, oil the shields,"
- 6 For thus the Lord says to me, "Go, station the lookout, let him report what he sees.
- 7 "When he sees riders, horsemen in pairs, A train of donkeys, a train of camels, Let him pay close attention, very close attention."
- 8 Then the lookout called, "O Lord, I stand continually by day on the watchtower, And I am stationed every night at my guard post.
- 9 "Now behold, here comes a troop of riders, horsemen in pairs." And one answered and said, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon; And all the images of her gods are shattered on the ground."
- 10 O my threshed people, and my afflicted of the threshing floor! What I have heard from the LORD of hosts, The God of Israel, I make known to you.

- 11 ¶ The oracle concerning Edom. One keeps calling to me from Seir, "Watchman, how far gone is the night? Watchman, how far gone is the night?"
- 12 The watchman says, "Morning comes but also night. If you would inquire, inquire; Come back again."
- 13 ¶ The oracle about Arabia. In the thickets of Arabia you must spend the night, O caravans of Dedanites.
- 14 Bring water for the thirsty, O inhabitants of the land of Tema, Meet the fugitive with bread.
- 15 For they have fled from the swords, From the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, And from the press of battle.
- 16 For thus the Lord said to me, "In a year, as a hired man would count it, all the splendor of Kedar will terminate;
- 17 and the remainder of the number of bowmen, the mighty men of the sons of Kedar, will be few; for the LORD God of Israel has spoken."

- **22:1** ¶ The oracle concerning the valley of vision. What is the matter with you now, that you have all gone up to the housetops?
- 2 You who were full of noise, You boisterous town, you exultant city; Your slain were not slain with the sword, Nor did they die in battle.
- 3 All your rulers have fled together, And have been captured without the bow; All of you who were found were taken captive together, Though they had fled far away.
- 4 Therefore I say, "Turn your eyes away from me, Let me weep bitterly, Do not try to comfort me concerning the destruction of the daughter of my people."
- 5 For the Lord GOD of hosts has a day of panic, subjugation, and confusion in the valley of vision, A breaking down of walls And a crying to the mountain.
- 6 And Elam took up the quiver With the chariots, infantry, and horsemen; And Kir uncovered the shield.
- 7 Then your choicest valleys were full of chariots, And the horsemen took up fixed positions at the gate.
- 8 ¶ And He removed the defense of Judah. In that day you depended on the weapons of the house of the forest,
- 9 And you saw that the breaches In the wall of the city of David were many; And you collected the waters of the lower pool.
- 10 Then you counted the houses of Jerusalem, And you tore down houses to fortify the wall.
- 11 And you made a reservoir between the two walls For the waters of the old pool. But you did not depend on Him who made it, Nor did you take into consideration Him who planned it long ago.
- 12 Therefore in that day the Lord GOD of hosts, called you to weeping, to wailing, To shaving the head, and to wearing sackcloth.

- 13 Instead, there is gaiety and gladness, Killing of cattle and slaughtering of sheep, Eating of meat and drinking of wine: "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we may die."
- 14 But the LORD of hosts revealed Himself to me, "Surely this iniquity shall not be forgiven you Until you die," says the Lord GOD of hosts.
- 15 ¶ Thus says the Lord GOD of hosts, "Come, go to this steward, To Shebna, who is in charge of the royal household,
- 16 'What right do you have here, And whom do you have here, That you have hewn a tomb for yourself here, You who hew a tomb on the height, You who carve a resting place for yourself in the rock?
- 17 'Behold, the LORD is about to hurl you headlong, O man. And He is about to grasp you firmly,
- 18 And roll you tightly like a ball, To be cast into a vast country; There you will die, And there your splendid chariots will be, You shame of your master's
- house.' 19 "And I will depose you from your office, And I will pull you down from your
- station. 20 "Then it will come about in that day, That I will summon My servant Eliakim
- the son of Hilkiah 21 And I will clothe him with your tunic, And tie your sash securely about him, I
- will entrust him with your authority, And he will become a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah.
- 22 "Then I will set the key of the house of David on his shoulder, When he opens no one will shut, When he shuts no one will open.
- 23 "And I will drive him like a peg in a firm place, And he will become a throne of glory to his father's house.
- 24 "So they will hang on him all the glory of his father's house, offspring and issue, all the least of vessels, from bowls to all the jars.
- 25 "In that day," declares the LORD of hosts, "the peg driven in a firm place will give way; it will even break off and fall, and the load hanging on it will be cut off, for the LORD has spoken."

- 23:1 ¶ The oracle concerning Tyre. Wail, O ships of Tarshish, For Tyre is destroyed, without house or harbor; It is reported to them from the land of Cyprus.
- 2 Be silent, you inhabitants of the coastland, You merchants of Sidon; Your messengers crossed the sea
- 3 And were on many waters. The grain of the Nile, the harvest of the River was her revenue; And she was the market of nations.
- 4 Be ashamed, O Sidon; For the sea speaks, the stronghold of the sea, saying, "I have neither travailed nor given birth, I have neither brought up young men nor reared virgins."

5 When the report reaches Egypt, They will be in anguish at the report of Tyre. 6 Pass over to Tarshish; Wail, O inhabitants of the coastland. 7 Is this your jubilant city, Whose origin is from antiquity, Whose feet used to

carry her to colonize distant places? 8 Who has planned this against Tyre, the bestower of crowns, Whose

merchants were princes, whose traders were the honored of the earth? 9 The LORD of hosts has planned it to defile the pride of all beauty, To despise all the honored of the earth. 10 Overflow your land like the Nile, O daughter of Tarshish, There is no more

restraint. 11 He has stretched His hand out over the sea, He has made the kingdoms

tremble; The LORD has given a command concerning Canaan to demolish its strongholds.

- 12 And He has said, "You shall exult no more, O crushed virgin daughter of Sidon. Arise, pass over to Cyprus; even there you will find no rest."
- 13 Behold, the land of the Chaldeans--this is the people which was not; Assyria appointed it for desert creatures--they erected their siege towers, they stripped its palaces, they made it a ruin.
- 14 Wail, O ships of Tarshish, For your stronghold is destroyed.
- 15 ¶ Now it will come about in that day that Tyre will be forgotten for seventy years like the days of one king. At the end of seventy years it will happen to Tyre as in the song of the harlot:
- 16 Take your harp, walk about the city, O forgotten harlot; Pluck the strings skillfully, sing many songs, That you may be remembered.
- 17 And it will come about at the end of seventy years that the LORD will visit Tyre. Then she will go back to her harlot's wages, and will play the harlot with all the kingdoms on the face of the earth.
- 18 And her gain and her harlot's wages will be set apart to the LORD; it will not be stored up or hoarded, but her gain will become sufficient food and choice attire for those who dwell in the presence of the LORD.

- **24:1** ¶ Behold, the LORD lays the earth waste, devastates it, distorts its surface, and scatters its inhabitants.
- 2 And the people will be like the priest, the servant like his master, the maid like her mistress, the buyer like the seller, the lender like the borrower, the creditor like the debtor.
- 3 The earth will be completely laid waste and completely despoiled, for the LORD has spoken this word.
- 4 The earth mourns and withers, the world fades and withers, the exalted of the people of the earth fade away.
- 5 The earth is also polluted by its inhabitants, for they transgressed laws, violated

statutes, broke the everlasting covenant.

- 6 Therefore, a curse devours the earth, and those who live in it are held guilty.
- Therefore, the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men are left.
- 7 The new wine mourns, The vine decays, All the merry-hearted sigh.
- 8 The gaiety of tambourines ceases, The noise of revelers stops, The gaiety of the harp ceases.
- 9 They do not drink wine with song; Strong drink is bitter to those who drink it.
- 10 The city of chaos is broken down; Every house is shut up so that none may enter.
- 11 There is an outcry in the streets concerning the wine; All joy turns to gloom. The gaiety of the earth is banished.
- 12 Desolation is left in the city, And the gate is battered to ruins. 13 \P For thus it will be in the midst of the earth among the peoples, As the
- shaking of an olive tree, As the gleanings when the grape harvest is over. 14 They raise their voices, they shout for joy. They cry out from the west
- concerning the majesty of the LORD. 15 Therefore glorify the LORD in the east, The name of the LORD, the God of

Israel In the coastlands of the sea. 16 \P From the ends of the earth we hear songs, "Glory to the Righteous One,"

But I say, "Woe to me! Woe to me! Alas for me! The treacherous deal treacherously, And the treacherous deal very treacherously."

- 17 Terror and pit and snare Confront you, O inhabitant of the earth.
- 18 Then it will be that he who flees the report of disaster will fall into the pit, And he who climbs out of the pit will be caught in the snare; For the windows above are opened, and the foundations of the earth shake.
- 19 The earth is broken asunder, The earth is split through, The earth is shaken violently.
- 20 The earth reels to and fro like a drunkard, And it totters like a shack, For its transgression is heavy upon it, And it will fall, never to rise again.
- 21 So it will happen in that day, That the LORD will punish the host of heaven, on high, And the kings of the earth, on earth.
- 22 And they will be gathered together Like prisoners in the dungeon, And will be confined in prison; And after many days they will be punished.
- 23 Then the moon will be abashed and the sun ashamed, For the LORD of hosts will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, And His glory will be before His elders.

- **25:1** ¶ O LORD, Thou art my God; I will exalt Thee, I will give thanks to Thy name; For Thou hast worked wonders, Plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness.
- 2 For Thou hast made a city into a heap, A fortified city into a ruin; A palace of strangers is a city no more, It will never be rebuilt.
- 3 Therefore a strong people will glorify Thee; Cities of ruthless nations will revere

Thee.

- 4 For Thou hast been a defense for the helpless, A defense for the needy in his distress, A refuge from the storm, a shade from the heat; For the breath of the ruthless Is like a rain storm against a wall.
- 5 Like heat in drought, Thou dost subdue the uproar of aliens; Like heat by the shadow of a cloud, the song of the ruthless is silenced.
- 6 ¶ And the LORD of hosts will prepare a lavish banquet for all peoples on this mountain; A banquet of aged wine, choice pieces with marrow, And refined, aged wine.
- 7 And on this mountain He will swallow up the covering which is over all peoples, Even the veil which is stretched over all nations.
- 8 He will swallow up death for all time, And the Lord GOD will wipe tears away from all faces, And He will remove the reproach of His people from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken.
- 9 ¶ And it will be said in that day, "Behold, this is our God for whom we have waited that He might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; Let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation."
- 10 For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain, And Moab will be trodden down in his place As straw is trodden down in the water of a manure pile.
- 11 And he will spread out his hands in the middle of it As a swimmer spreads out his hands to swim, But the Lord will lay low his pride together with the trickery of his hands.
- 12 And the unassailable fortifications of your walls He will bring down, Lay low, and cast to the ground, even to the dust.

- **26:1** ¶ In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: "We have a strong city; He sets up walls and ramparts for security.
- 2 "Open the gates, that the righteous nation may enter, The one that remains faithful.
- 3 "The steadfast of mind Thou wilt keep in perfect peace, Because he trusts in Thee.
- 4 "Trust in the LORD forever, For in GOD the LORD, we have an everlasting Rock.
- 5 ¶ "For He has brought low those who dwell on high, the unassailable city; He lays it low, He lays it low to the ground, He casts it to the dust.
- 6 "The foot will trample it, The feet of the afflicted, the steps of the helpless."
- 7 The way of the righteous is smooth; O Upright One, make the path of the righteous level.
- 8 Indeed, while following the way of Thy judgments, O LORD, We have waited for Thee eagerly; Thy name, even Thy memory, is the desire of our souls.
- 9 At night my soul longs for Thee, Indeed, my spirit within me seeks Thee diligently; For when the earth experiences Thy judgments The inhabitants of the

world learn righteousness.

- 10 Though the wicked is shown favor, He does not learn righteousness; He deals unjustly in the land of uprightness, And does not perceive the majesty of the LORD.
- 11 O LORD, Thy hand is lifted up yet they do not see it. They see Thy zeal for the people and are put to shame; Indeed, fire will devour Thine enemies.
- 12 ¶ LORD, Thou wilt establish peace for us, Since Thou hast also performed for us all our works.
- 13 O LORD our God, other masters besides Thee have ruled us; But through Thee alone we confess Thy name. 14 The dead will not live, the departed spirits will not rise; Therefore Thou hast

punished and destroyed them, And Thou hast wiped out all remembrance of them.

- 15 Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, Thou hast increased the nation, Thou art glorified; Thou hast extended all the borders of the land.
- 16 O LORD, they sought Thee in distress; They could only whisper a prayer, Thy chastening was upon them.
- 17 As the pregnant woman approaches the time to give birth, She writhes and cries out in her labor pains, Thus were we before Thee, O LORD.
- 18 We were pregnant, we writhed in labor, We gave birth, as it were, only to wind. We could not accomplish deliverance for the earth Nor were inhabitants of the world born.
- 19 Your dead will live; Their corpses will rise. You who lie in the dust, awake and shout for joy, For your dew is as the dew of the dawn, And the earth will give birth to the departed spirits.
- 20 ¶ Come, my people, enter into your rooms, And close your doors behind you; Hide for a little while, Until indignation runs its course.
- 21 For behold, the LORD is about to come out from His place To punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; And the earth will reveal her bloodshed, And will no longer cover her slain.

- **27:1** ¶ In that day the LORD will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent, With His fierce and great and mighty sword, Even Leviathan the twisted serpent; And He will kill the dragon who lives in the sea.
- 2 In that day, "A vineyard of wine, sing of it!
- 3 "I, the LORD, am its keeper; I water it every moment. Lest anyone damage it, I guard it night and day.
- 4 "I have no wrath. Should someone give Me briars and thorns in battle, Then I would step on them, I would burn them completely.
- 5 "Or let him rely on My protection, Let him make peace with Me, Let him make peace with Me."
- 6 In the days to come Jacob will take root, Israel will blossom and sprout; And they

will fill the whole world with fruit.

- 7 ¶ Like the striking of Him who has struck them, has He struck them? Or like the slaughter of His slain, have they been slain?
- 8 Thou didst contend with them by banishing them, by driving them away. With His fierce wind He has expelled them on the day of the east wind.
- 9 Therefore through this Jacob's iniquity will be forgiven; And this will be the full price of the pardoning of his sin: When he makes all the altar stones like pulverized chalk stones; When Asherim and incense altars will not stand.
- 10 For the fortified city is isolated, A homestead forlorn and forsaken like the desert; There the calf will graze, And there it will lie down and feed on its branches.
- 11 When its limbs are dry, they are broken off; Women come and make a fire with them. For they are not a people of discernment, Therefore their Maker will not have compassion on them. And their Creator will not be gracious to them.
- 12 And it will come about in that day, that the LORD will start His threshing from the flowing stream of the Euphrates to the brook of Egypt; and you will be gathered up one by one, O sons of Israel.
- 13 It will come about also in that day that a great trumpet will be blown; and those who were perishing in the land of Assyria and who were scattered in the land of Egypt will come and worship the LORD in the holy mountain at Jerusalem.

- **28:1** ¶ Woe to the proud crown of the drunkards of Ephraim, And to the fading flower of its glorious beauty, Which is at the head of the fertile valley Of those who are overcome with wine!
- 2 Behold, the Lord has a strong and mighty agent; As a storm of hail, a tempest of destruction, Like a storm of mighty overflowing waters, He has cast it down to the earth with His hand.
- 3 The proud crown of the drunkards of Ephraim is trodden under foot.
- 4 And the fading flower of its glorious beauty, Which is at the head of the fertile valley, Will be like the first-ripe fig prior to summer; Which one sees, And as soon as it is in his hand, He swallows it.
- 5 In that day the LORD of hosts will become a beautiful crown And a glorious diadem to the remnant of His people;
- 6 A spirit of justice for him who sits in judgment, A strength to those who repel the onslaught at the gate.
- 7 And these also reel with wine and stagger from strong drink: The priest and the prophet reel with strong drink, They are confused by wine, they stagger from strong drink; They reel while having visions, They totter when rendering judgment. 8 For all the tables are full of filthy vomit, without a single clean place.
- 9 ¶ "To whom would He teach knowledge? And to whom would He interpret the message? Those just weaned from milk? Those just taken from the breast? 10 "For He says, 'Order on order, order on order, Line on line, line on line, A little

here, a little there."

- 11 Indeed, He will speak to this people Through stammering lips and a foreign tongue,
- 12 He who said to them, "Here is rest, give rest to the weary," And, "Here is repose," but they would not listen.
- 13 So the word of the LORD to them will be, "Order on order, order on order, Line on line, Iine on line, A little here, a little there," That they may go and stumble backward, be broken, snared, and taken captive.
- 14 ¶ Therefore, hear the word of the LORD, O scoffers, Who rule this people who are in Jerusalem,
- 15 Because you have said, "We have made a covenant with death, And with Sheol we have made a pact. The overwhelming scourge will not reach us when it passes by, For we have made falsehood our refuge and we have concealed ourselves with deception."
- 16 Therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a tested stone, A costly cornerstone for the foundation, firmly placed. He who believes in it will not be disturbed.
- 17 "And I will make justice the measuring line, And righteousness the level; Then hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, And the waters shall overflow the secret place.
- 18 "And your covenant with death shall be canceled, And your pact with Sheol shall not stand; When the overwhelming scourge passes through, Then you become its trampling place.
- 19 "As often as it passes through, it will seize you. For morning after morning it will pass through, anytime during the day or night. And it will be sheer terror to understand what it means."
- 20 The bed is too short on which to stretch out, And the blanket is too small to wrap oneself in.
- 21 For the LORD will rise up as at Mount Perazim, He will be stirred up as in the valley of Gibeon; To do His task, His unusual task, And to work His work, His extraordinary work.
- 22 And now do not carry on as scoffers, Lest your fetters be made stronger; For I have heard from the Lord GOD of hosts, Of decisive destruction on all the earth.
- 23 ¶ Give ear and hear my voice, Listen and hear my words.
- 24 Does the farmer plow continually to plant seed? Does he continually turn and harrow the ground?
- 25 Does he not level its surface, And sow dill and scatter cummin, And plant wheat in rows, Barley in its place, and rye within its area?
- 26 For his God instructs and teaches him properly.
- 27 For dill is not threshed with a threshing sledge, Nor is the cartwheel driven over cummin; But dill is beaten out with a rod, and cummin with a club.
- 28 Grain for bread is crushed, Indeed, he does not continue to thresh it forever.

Because the wheel of his cart and his horses eventually damage it, He does not thresh it longer.

29 This also comes from the LORD of hosts, Who has made His counsel wonderful and His wisdom great.

- 29:1 ¶ Woe, O Ariel, Ariel the city where David once camped! Add year to year, observe your feasts on schedule.
- 2 And I will bring distress to Ariel, And she shall be a city of lamenting and mourning; And she shall be like an Ariel to me.
- 3 And I will camp against you encircling you, And I will set siegeworks against you, And I will raise up battle towers against you.
- 4 Then you shall be brought low; From the earth you shall speak, And from the dust where you are prostrate, Your words shall come. Your voice shall also be like that of a spirit from the ground, And your speech shall whisper from the dust.
- 5 But the multitude of your enemies shall become like fine dust, And the multitude of the ruthless ones like the chaff which blows away; And it shall happen instantly, suddenly.
- 6 From the LORD of hosts you will be punished with thunder and earthquake and loud noise, With whirlwind and tempest and the flame of a consuming fire.
- 7 And the multitude of all the nations who wage war against Ariel, Even all who wage war against her and her stronghold, and who distress her, Shall be like a dream, a vision of the night.
- 8 And it will be as when a hungry man dreams-- And behold, he is eating; But when he awakens, his hunger is not satisfied, Or as when a thirsty man dreams-- And behold, he is drinking, But when he awakens, behold, he is faint, And his thirst is not quenched. Thus the multitude of all the nations shall be, Who wage war against Mount Zion.
- 9 ¶ Be delayed and wait. Blind yourselves and be blind. They become drunk, but not with wine; They stagger, but not with strong drink.
- 10 For the LORD has poured over you a spirit of deep sleep, He has shut your eyes, the prophets; And He has covered your heads, the seers.
- 11 And the entire vision shall be to you like the words of a sealed book, which when they give it to the one who is literate, saying, "Please read this," he will say, "I cannot, for it is sealed."
- 12 Then the book will be given to the one who is illiterate, saying, "Please read this." And he will say, "I cannot read."
- 13 Then the Lord said, "Because this people draw near with their words And honor Me with their lip service, But they remove their hearts far from Me, And their reverence for Me consists of tradition learned by rote,
- 14 Therefore behold, I will once again deal marvelously with this people, wondrously marvelous; And the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, And the

discernment of their discerning men shall be concealed."

- 15 Woe to those who deeply hide their plans from the LORD, And whose deeds are done in a dark place, And they say, "Who sees us?" or "Who knows us?" 16 You turn things around! Shall the potter be considered as equal with the clay, That what is made should say to its maker, "He did not make me"; Or what is formed say to him who formed it, "He has no understanding"?
- 17 ¶ Is it not yet just a little while Before Lebanon will be turned into a fertile field, And the fertile field will be considered as a forest?
- 18 And on that day the deaf shall hear words of a book, And out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see.
- 19 The afflicted also shall increase their gladness in the LORD, And the needy of mankind shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.
- 20 For the ruthless will come to an end, and the scorner will be finished, Indeed all who are intent on doing evil will be cut off;
- 21 Who cause a person to be indicted by a word, And ensnare him who adjudicates at the gate, And defraud the one in the right with meaningless arguments.
- 22 Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob, "Jacob shall not now be ashamed, nor shall his face now turn pale;
- 23 But when he sees his children, the work of My hands, in his midst, They will sanctify My name; Indeed, they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, And will stand in awe of the God of Israel.
- 24 "And those who err in mind will know the truth, And those who criticize will accept instruction.

- **30:1** ¶ "Woe to the rebellious children," declares the LORD, "Who execute a plan, but not Mine, And make an alliance, but not of My Spirit, In order to add sin to sin; 2 Who proceed down to Egypt, Without consulting Me, To take refuge in the safety of Pharaoh, And to seek shelter in the shadow of Egypt!
- 3 "Therefore the safety of Pharaoh will be your shame, And the shelter in the shadow of Egypt, your humiliation.
- 4 "For their princes are at Zoan, And their ambassadors arrive at Hanes.
- 5 "Everyone will be ashamed because of a people who cannot profit them, Who are not for help or profit, but for shame and also for reproach."
- 6 The oracle concerning the beasts of the Negev. Through a land of distress and anguish, From where come lioness and lion, viper and flying serpent, They carry their riches on the backs of young donkeys And their treasures on camels' humps, To a people who cannot profit them;
- 7 Even Egypt, whose help is vain and empty. Therefore, I have called her "Rahab who has been exterminated."
- 8 ¶ Now go, write it on a tablet before them And inscribe it on a scroll, That it may serve in the time to come As a witness forever.

- 9 For this is a rebellious people, false sons, Sons who refuse to listen To the instruction of the LORD;
- 10 Who say to the seers, "You must not see visions"; And to the prophets, "You must not prophesy to us what is right, Speak to us pleasant words, Prophesy illusions.
- 11 "Get out of the way, turn aside from the path, Let us hear no more about the Holy One of Israel."
- 12 Therefore thus says the Holy One of Israel, "Since you have rejected this word, And have put your trust in oppression and guile, and have relied on them,
- 13 Therefore this iniquity will be to you Like a breach about to fall, A bulge in a high wall, Whose collapse comes suddenly in an instant.
- 14 "And whose collapse is like the smashing of a potter's jar; So ruthlessly shattered That a sherd will not be found among its pieces To take fire from a hearth, Or to scoop water from a cistern."
- 15 For thus the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel, has said, "In repentance and rest you shall be saved, In quietness and trust is your strength." But you were not willing,
- 16 And you said, "No, for we will flee on horses," Therefore you shall flee! "And we will ride on swift horses," Therefore those who pursue you shall be swift.
- 17 One thousand shall flee at the threat of one man, You shall flee at the threat of five; Until you are left as a flag on a mountain top, And as a signal on a hill.
- 18 ¶ Therefore the LORD longs to be gracious to you, And therefore He waits on high to have compassion on you. For the LORD is a God of justice; How blessed are all those who long for Him.
- 19 O people in Zion, inhabitant in Jerusalem, you will weep no longer. He will surely be gracious to you at the sound of your cry; when He hears it, He will answer you.
- 20 Although the Lord has given you bread of privation and water of oppression, He, your Teacher will no longer hide Himself, but your eyes will behold your Teacher.
- 21 And your ears will hear a word behind you, "This is the way, walk in it," whenever you turn to the right or to the left.
- 22 And you will defile your graven images, overlaid with silver, and your molten images plated with gold. You will scatter them as an impure thing; and say to them, "Be gone!"
- 23 Then He will give you rain for the seed which you will sow in the ground, and bread from the yield of the ground, and it will be rich and plenteous; on that day your livestock will graze in a roomy pasture. 24 Also the oxen and the donkeys which work the ground will eat salted
- fodder, which has been winnowed with shovel and fork. 25 And on every lofty mountain and on every high hill there will be streams
- running with water on the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall. 26 And the light of the moon will be as the light of the sun, and the light of the

sun will be seven times brighter, like the light of seven days, on the day the LORD binds up the fracture of His people and heals the bruise He has inflicted.

- 27 ¶ Behold, the name of the LORD comes from a remote place; Burning is His anger, and dense is His smoke; His lips are filled with indignation, And His tongue is like a consuming fire;
- 28 And His breath is like an overflowing torrent, Which reaches to the neck, To shake the nations back and forth in a sieve, And to put in the jaws of the peoples the bridle which leads to ruin.
- 29 You will have songs as in the night when you keep the festival; And gladness of heart as when one marches to the sound of the flute, To go to the mountain of the LORD, to the Rock of Israel.
- 30 And the LORD will cause His voice of authority to be heard. And the descending of His arm to be seen in fierce anger, And in the flame of a consuming fire, In cloudburst, downpour, and hailstones.
- 31 For at the voice of the LORD Assyria will be terrified, When He strikes with the rod.
- 32 And every blow of the rod of punishment, Which the LORD will lay on him, Will be with the music of tambourines and lyres; And in battles, brandishing weapons, He will fight them.
- 33 For Topheth has long been ready, Indeed, it has been prepared for the king. He has made it deep and large, A pyre of fire with plenty of wood; The breath of the LORD, like a torrent of brimstone, sets it afire.

Chapter 31

- **31:1** ¶ Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help, And rely on horses, And trust in chariots because they are many, And in horsemen because they are very strong, But they do not look to the Holy One of Israel, nor seek the LORD! 2 Yet He also is wise and will bring disaster, And does not retract His words, But will arise against the house of evildoers, And against the help of the workers of iniquity.
- 3 Now the Egyptians are men, and not God, And their horses are flesh and not spirit; So the LORD will stretch out His hand, And he who helps will stumble And he who is helped will fall, And all of them will come to an end together.
- 4 For thus says the LORD to me, "As the lion or the young lion growls over his prey, Against which a band of shepherds is called out, Will not be terrified at their voice, nor disturbed at their noise, So will the LORD of hosts come down to wage war on Mount Zion and on its hill." 5 Like flying birds so the LORD of hosts will protect Jerusalem. He will protect
- and deliver it; He will pass over and rescue it. 6 \P Return to Him from whom you have deeply defected, O sons of Israel. 7 For in that day every man will cast away his silver idols and his gold idols.

which your hands have made as a sin. 8 And the Assyrian will fall by a sword not of

man, And a sword not of man will

devour him. So he will not escape the sword, And his young men will become forced laborers.

9 "And his rock will pass away because of panic, And his princes will be terrified at the standard," Declares the LORD, whose fire is in Zion and whose furnace is in Jerusalem.

- **32:1** ¶ Behold, a king will reign righteously, And princes will rule justly.
- 2 And each will be like a refuge from the wind, And a shelter from the storm, Like streams of water in a dry country, Like the shade of a huge rock in a parched land.
- 3 Then the eyes of those who see will not be blinded, And the ears of those who hear will listen.
- 4 And the mind of the hasty will discern the truth, And the tongue of the stammerers will hasten to speak clearly.
- 5 No longer will the fool be called noble, Or the rogue be spoken of as generous.
- 6 For a fool speaks nonsense, And his heart inclines toward wickedness, To practice ungodliness and to speak error against the LORD, To keep the hungry person unsatisfied And to withhold drink from the thirsty.
- 7 As for a rogue, his weapons are evil; He devises wicked schemes To destroy the afflicted with slander, Even though the needy one speaks what is right.
- 8 But the noble man devises noble plans; And by noble plans he stands.
- 9 \P Rise up you women who are at ease, And hear my voice; Give ear to my word, You complacent daughters.
- 10 Within a year and a few days, You will be troubled, O complacent daughters; For the vintage is ended, And the fruit gathering will not come.
- 11 Tremble, you women who are at ease; Be troubled, you complacent daughters; Strip, undress, and put sackcloth on your waist,
- 12 Beat your breasts for the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine,
- 13 For the land of my people in which thorns and briars shall come up; Yea, for all the joyful houses, and for the jubilant city.
- 14 Because the palace has been abandoned, the populated city forsaken. Hill and watch-tower have become caves forever, A delight for wild donkeys, a pasture for flocks;
- 15 Until the Spirit is poured out upon us from on high, And the wilderness becomes a fertile field And the fertile field is considered as a forest.
- 16 Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, And righteousness will abide in the fertile field.
- 17 And the work of righteousness will be peace, And the service of righteousness, quietness and confidence forever.
- 18 Then my people will live in a peaceful habitation, And in secure dwellings and in undisturbed resting places;

19 And it will hail when the forest comes down, And the city will be utterly laid low.

20 How blessed will you be, you who sow beside all waters, Who let out freely the ox and the donkey.

- **33:1** ¶ Woe to you, O destroyer, While you were not destroyed; And he who is treacherous, while others did not deal treacherously with him. As soon as you shall finish destroying, you shall be destroyed; As soon as you shall cease to deal treacherously, others shall deal treacherously with you.
- 2 O LORD, be gracious to us; we have waited for Thee. Be Thou their strength every morning, Our salvation also in the time of distress.
- 3 At the sound of the tumult peoples flee; At the lifting up of Thyself nations disperse.
- 4 And your spoil is gathered as the caterpillar gathers; As locusts rushing about, men rush about on it.
- 5 The LORD is exalted, for He dwells on high; He has filled Zion with justice and righteousness.
- 6 And He shall be the stability of your times, A wealth of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge; The fear of the LORD is his treasure.
- 7 Behold, their brave men cry in the streets, The ambassadors of peace weep bitterly.
- 8 The highways are desolate, the traveler has ceased, He has broken the covenant, he has despised the cities, He has no regard for man.
- 9 The land mourns and pines away, Lebanon is shamed and withers; Sharon is like a desert plain, And Bashan and Carmel lose their foliage.
- 10 "Now I will arise," says the LORD, "Now I will be exalted, now I will be lifted up.
- 11 "You have conceived chaff, you will give birth to stubble; My breath will consume you like a fire.
- 12 "And the peoples will be burned to lime, Like cut thorns which are burned in the fire.
- 13 ¶ "You who are far away, hear what I have done; And you who are near, acknowledge My might."
- 14 Sinners in Zion are terrified; Trembling has seized the godless. "Who among us can live with the consuming fire? Who among us can live with continual burning?"
- 15 He who walks righteously, and speaks with sincerity, He who rejects unjust gain, And shakes his hands so that they hold no bribe; He who stops his ears from hearing about bloodshed, And shuts his eyes from looking upon evil;
- 16 He will dwell on the heights; His refuge will be the impregnable rock; His bread will be given him; His water will be sure.
- 17 Your eyes will see the King in His beauty; They will behold a far-distant land.
- 18 Your heart will meditate on terror: "Where is he who counts? Where is he who weighs? Where is he who counts the towers?"

- 19 You will no longer see a fierce people, A people of unintelligible speech which no one comprehends, Of a stammering tongue which no one understands.
- 20 Look upon Zion, the city of our appointed feasts; Your eyes shall see Jerusalem an undisturbed habitation, A tent which shall not be folded, Its stakes shall never be pulled up Nor any of its cords be torn apart.
- 21 But there the majestic One, the LORD, shall be for us A place of rivers and wide canals, On which no boat with oars shall go, And on which no mighty ship shall pass--
- 22 For the LORD is our judge, The LORD is our lawgiver, The LORD is our king; He will save us--
- 23 Your tackle hangs slack; It cannot hold the base of its mast firmly, Nor spread out the sail. Then the prey of an abundant spoil will be divided; The lame will take the plunder.
- 24 And no resident will say, "I am sick"; The people who dwell there will be forgiven their iniquity.

- **34:1** ¶ Draw near, O nations, to hear; and listen, O peoples! Let the earth and all it contains hear, and the world and all that springs from it.
- 2 For the LORD'S indignation is against all the nations, And His wrath against all their armies; He has utterly destroyed them, He has given them over to slaughter.
- 3 So their slain will be thrown out, And their corpses will give off their stench, And the mountains will be drenched with their blood.
- 4 And all the host of heaven will wear away, And the sky will be rolled up like a scroll; All their hosts will also wither away As a leaf withers from the vine, Or as one withers from the fig tree.
- 5 For My sword is satiated in heaven, Behold it shall descend for judgment upon Edom, And upon the people whom I have devoted to destruction.
- 6 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, It is sated with fat, with the blood of lambs and goats, With the fat of the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah, And a great slaughter in the land of Edom. 7 Wild oxen shall also fall with them, And young bulls with strong ones; Thus their land shall be soaked with blood, And their dust become greasy with fat.
- 8 For the LORD has a day of vengeance, A year of recompense for the cause of Zion.
- 9 ¶ And its streams shall be turned into pitch, And its loose earth into brimstone, And its land shall become burning pitch.
- 10 It shall not be quenched night or day; Its smoke shall go up forever; From generation to generation it shall be desolate; None shall pass through it forever and ever.
- 11 But pelican and hedgehog shall possess it, And owl and raven shall dwell in it; And He shall stretch over it the line of desolation And the plumb line of emptiness.

- 12 Its nobles--there is no one there Whom they may proclaim king-- And all its princes shall be nothing.
- 13 And thorns shall come up in its fortified towers, Nettles and thistles in its fortified cities; It shall also be a haunt of jackals And an abode of ostriches.
- 14 And the desert creatures shall meet with the wolves, The hairy goat also shall cry to its kind; Yes, the night monster shall settle there And shall find herself a resting place.
- 15 The tree snake shall make its nest and lay eggs there, And it will hatch and gather them under its protection. Yes, the hawks shall be gathered there, Every one with its kind.
- 16 Seek from the book of the LORD, and read: Not one of these will be missing; None will lack its mate. For His mouth has commanded, And His Spirit has gathered them.
- 17 And He has cast the lot for them, And His hand has divided it to them by line. They shall possess it forever; From generation to generation they shall dwell in it.

- **35:1** ¶ The wilderness and the desert will be glad, And the Arabah will rejoice and blossom; Like the crocus
- 2 It will blossom profusely And rejoice with rejoicing and shout of joy. The glory of Lebanon will be given to it, The majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They will see the glory of the LORD, The majesty of our God.
- 3 Encourage the exhausted, and strengthen the feeble.
- 4 Say to those with anxious heart, "Take courage, fear not. Behold, your God will come with vengeance; The recompense of God will come, But He will save you."
- 5 ¶ Then the eyes of the blind will be opened, And the ears of the deaf will be unstopped.
- 6 Then the lame will leap like a deer, And the tongue of the dumb will shout for joy. For waters will break forth in the wilderness And streams in the Arabah.
- 7 And the scorched land will become a pool, And the thirsty ground springs of water; In the haunt of jackals, its resting place, Grass becomes reeds and rushes.
- 8 And a highway will be there, a roadway, And it will be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean will not travel on it, But it will be for him who walks that way, And fools will not wander on it.
- 9 No lion will be there, Nor will any vicious beast go up on it; These will not be found there. But the redeemed will walk there,
- 10 And the ransomed of the LORD will return, And come with joyful shouting to Zion, With everlasting joy upon their heads. They will find gladness and joy, And sorrow and sighing will flee away.

Chapter 36

36:1 ¶ Now it came about in the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, Sennacherib

- king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and seized them.
- 2 And the king of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem to King Hezekiah with a large army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool on the highway of the fuller's field.
- 3 Then Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph, the recorder, came out to him.
- 4 Then Rabshakeh said to them, "Say now to Hezekiah, 'Thus says the great king, the king of Assyria," What is this confidence that you have?
- 5 "I say, 'Your counsel and strength for the war are only empty words.' Now on whom do you rely, that you have rebelled against me?
- 6 "Behold, you rely on the staff of this crushed reed, even on Egypt; on which if a man leans, it will go into his hand and pierce it. So is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all who rely on him.
- 7 "But if you say to me, 'We trust in the LORD our God,' is it not He whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah has taken away, and has said to Judah and to Jerusalem, 'You shall worship before this altar'?
- 8 "Now therefore, come make a bargain with my master the king of Assyria, and I will give you two thousand horses, if you are able on your part to set riders on them.
- 9 "How then can you repulse one official of the least of my master's servants, and rely on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?
- 10 "And have I now come up without the LORD'S approval against this land to destroy it? The LORD said to me, 'Go up against this land, and destroy it."""
- 11 ¶ Then Eliakim and Shebna and Joah said to Rabshakeh, "Speak now to your servants in Aramaic, for we understand it; and do not speak with us in Judean, in the hearing of the people who are on the wall."
- 12 But Rabshakeh said, "Has my master sent me only to your master and to you to speak these words, and not to the men who sit on the wall, doomed to eat their own dung and drink their own urine with you?"
- 13 Then Rabshakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in Judean, and said, "Hear the words of the great king, the king of Assyria.
- 14 "Thus says the king, 'Do not let Hezekiah deceive you, for he will not be able to deliver you;
- 15 nor let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, "The LORD will surely deliver us, this city shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria."
- 16 'Do not listen to Hezekiah,' for thus says the king of Assyria, 'Make your peace with me and come out to me, and eat each of his vine and each of his fig tree and drink each of the waters of his own cistern,
- 17 until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of grain and new wine, a land of bread and vineyards.
- 18 'Beware lest Hezekiah misleads you, saying, "The LORD will deliver us." Has any one of the gods of the nations delivered his land from the hand of the king of

Assyria?

- 19 'Where are the gods of Hamath and Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim? And when have they delivered Samaria from my hand?
- 20 'Who among all the gods of these lands have delivered their land from my hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem from my hand?'"
- 21 But they were silent and answered him not a word; for the king's commandment was, "Do not answer him."
- 22 Then Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe and Joah the son of Asaph, the recorder, came to Hezekiah with their clothes torn and told him the words of Rabshakeh.

- **37:1** ¶ And when King Hezekiah heard it, he tore his clothes, covered himself with sackcloth and entered the house of the LORD.
- 2 Then he sent Eliakim who was over the household with Shebna the scribe and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz.
- 3 And they said to him, "Thus says Hezekiah, 'This day is a day of distress, rebuke, and rejection; for children have come to birth, and there is no strength to deliver.
- 4 'Perhaps the LORD your God will hear the words of Rabshakeh, whom his master the king of Assyria has sent to reproach the living God, and will rebuke the words which the LORD your God has heard. Therefore, offer a prayer for the remnant that is left.'"
- 5 So the servants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah. 6 And Isaiah said to them, "Thus you shall say to your master, 'Thus says the
- LORD," Do not be afraid because of the words that you have heard, with which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed Me.
- 7 "Behold, I will put a spirit in him so that he shall hear a rumor and return to his own land. And I will make him fall by the sword in his own land.""
- 8 ¶ Then Rabshakeh returned and found the king of Assyria fighting against Libnah, for he had heard that the king had left Lachish.
- 9 When he heard them say concerning Tirhakah king of Cush, "He has come out to fight against you," and when he heard it he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying,
- 10 "Thus you shall say to Hezekiah king of Judah, 'Do not let your God in whom you trust deceive you, saying, "Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria."
- 11 'Behold, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all the lands, destroying them completely. So will you be spared?
- 12 'Did the gods of those nations which my fathers have destroyed deliver them, even Gozan and Haran and Rezeph and the sons of Eden who were in Telassar?

 13 'Where is the king of Hamath, the king of Arpad, the king of the city of Sepharvaim, and of Hena and Ivvah?'"

- 14 Then Hezekiah took the letter from the hand of the messengers and read it, and he went up to the house of the LORD and spread it out before the LORD.
- 15 And Hezekiah prayed to the LORD saying,
- 16 "O LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, who art enthroned above the cherubim, Thou art the God, Thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. Thou hast made heaven and earth.
- 17 "Incline Thine ear, O LORD, and hear; open Thine eyes, O LORD, and see; and listen to all the words of Sennacherib, who sent them to reproach the living God.
- 18 "Truly, O LORD, the kings of Assyria have devastated all the countries and their lands,
- 19 and have cast their gods into the fire, for they were not gods but the work of men's hands, wood and stone. So they have destroyed them.
- 20 "And now, O LORD our God, deliver us from his hand that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that Thou alone, LORD, art God."
- 21 ¶ Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent word to Hezekiah, saying, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'Because you have prayed to Me about Sennacherib king of Assyria,
- 22 this is the word that the LORD has spoken against him: "She has despised you and mocked you, The virgin daughter of Zion; She has shaken her head behind you, The daughter of Jerusalem!
- 23 "Whom have you reproached and blasphemed? And against whom have you raised your voice, And haughtily lifted up your eyes? Against the Holy One of Israel! 24 "Through your servants you have reproached the Lord, And you have said, 'With my many chariots I came up to the heights of the mountains, To the remotest parts of Lebanon; And I cut down its tall cedars and its choice cypresses. And I will go to its highest peak, its thickest forest.
- 25 'I dug wells and drank waters, And with the sole of my feet I dried up All the rivers of Egypt.'
- 26 "Have you not heard? Long ago I did it, From ancient times I planned it. Now I have brought it to pass, That you should turn fortified cities into ruinous heaps.
- 27 "Therefore their inhabitants were short of strength, They were dismayed and put to shame; They were as the vegetation of the field and as the green herb, As grass on the housetops is scorched before it is grown up.
- 28 "But I know your sitting down, And your going out and your coming in, And your raging against Me.
- 29 "Because of your raging against Me, And because your arrogance has come up to My ears, Therefore I will put My hook in your nose, And My bridle in your lips, And I will turn you back by the way which you came.
- 30 "Then this shall be the sign for you: you shall eat this year what grows of itself, in the second year what springs from the same, and in the third year sow, reap, plant vineyards, and eat their fruit.
- 31 "And the surviving remnant of the house of Judah shall again take root

downward and bear fruit upward.

- 32 "For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and out of Mount Zion survivors. The zeal of the LORD of hosts shall perform this."
- 33 "Therefore, thus says the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, 'He shall not come to this city, or shoot an arrow there; neither shall he come before it with a shield, nor throw up a mound against it.
- 34 'By the way that he came, by the same he shall return, and he shall not come to this city,' declares the LORD.
- 35 'For I will defend this city to save it for My own sake and for My servant David's sake.'"
- 36 Then the angel of the LORD went out, and struck 185,000 in the camp of the Assyrians; and when men arose early in the morning, behold, all of these were dead. 37 So Sennacherib, king of Assyria, departed and returned home, and lived at
- Nineveh.

 38 And it came about as he was worshiping in the house of Nisroch his god
- 38 And it came about as he was worshiping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons killed him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of Ararat. And Esarhaddon his son became king in his place.

- **38:1** ¶ In those days Hezekiah became mortally ill. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came to him and said to him, "Thus says the LORD, 'Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live.'"
- 2 Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall, and prayed to the LORD,
- 3 and said, "Remember now, O LORD, I beseech Thee, how I have walked before Thee in truth and with a whole heart, and have done what is good in Thy sight." And Hezekiah wept bitterly.
- 4 Then the word of the LORD came to Isaiah, saying,
- 5 "Go and say to Hezekiah, 'Thus says the LORD, the God of your father David," I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; behold, I will add fifteen years to your life.
- 6 "And I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city."
- 7 "And this shall be the sign to you from the LORD, that the LORD will do this thing that He has spoken:
- 8 "Behold, I will cause the shadow on the stairway, which has gone down with the sun on the stairway of Ahaz, to go back ten steps." So the sun's shadow went back ten steps on the stairway on which it had gone down.
- 9 ¶ A writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, after his illness and recovery:
- 10 I said, "In the middle of my life I am to enter the gates of Sheol; I am to be deprived of the rest of my years."
- 11 I said, "I shall not see the LORD, The LORD in the land of the living; I shall look on man no more among the inhabitants of the world.

- 12 "Like a shepherd's tent my dwelling is pulled up and removed from me; As a weaver I rolled up my life. He cuts me off from the loom; From day until night Thou dost make an end of me.
- 13 "I composed my soul until morning. Like a lion--so He breaks all my bones, From day until night Thou dost make an end of me.
- 14 "Like a swallow, like a crane, so I twitter; I moan like a dove; My eyes look wistfully to the heights; O Lord, I am oppressed, be my security.
- 15 "What shall I say? For He has spoken to me, and He Himself has done it; I shall wander about all my years because of the bitterness of my soul.
- 16 "O Lord, by these things men live; And in all these is the life of my spirit; O restore me to health, and let me live!
- 17 "Lo, for my own welfare I had great bitterness; It is Thou who hast kept my soul from the pit of nothingness, For Thou hast cast all my sins behind Thy back.
- 18 "For Sheol cannot thank Thee, Death cannot praise Thee; Those who go down to the pit cannot hope for Thy faithfulness.
- 19 "It is the living who give thanks to Thee, as I do today; A father tells his sons about Thy faithfulness.
- 20 "The LORD will surely save me; So we will play my songs on stringed instruments All the days of our life at the house of the LORD."
- 21 Now Isaiah had said, "Let them take a cake of figs, and apply it to the boil, that he may recover."
- 22 Then Hezekiah had said, "What is the sign that I shall go up to the house of the LORD?"

- **39:1** ¶ At that time Merodach-baladan son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah, for he heard that he had been sick and had recovered.
- 2 And Hezekiah was pleased, and showed them all his treasure house, the silver and the gold and the spices and the precious oil and his whole armory and all that was found in his treasuries. There was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah did not show them.
- 3 Then Isaiah the prophet came to King Hezekiah and said to him, "What did these men say, and from where have they come to you?" And Hezekiah said, "They have come to me from a far country, from Babylon."
- 4 And he said, "What have they seen in your house?" So Hezekiah answered, "They have seen all that is in my house; there is nothing among my treasuries that I have not shown them."
- 5 \P Then Isaiah said to Hezekiah, "Hear the word of the LORD of hosts,
- 6 'Behold, the days are coming when all that is in your house, and all that your fathers have laid up in store to this day shall be carried to Babylon; nothing shall be left,' says the LORD.

7 'And some of your sons who shall issue from you, whom you shall beget, shall be taken away; and they shall become officials in the palace of the king of Babylon.'" 8 Then Hezekiah said to Isaiah, "The word of the LORD which you have spoken is good." For he thought, "For there will be peace and truth in my days."

- **40:1** ¶ "Comfort, O comfort My people," says your God.
- 2 "Speak kindly to Jerusalem; And call out to her, that her warfare has ended, That her iniquity has been removed, That she has received of the LORD'S hand Double for all her sins."
- 3 ¶ A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God.
- 4 "Let every valley be lifted up, And every mountain and hill be made low; And let the rough ground become a plain, And the rugged terrain a broad valley;
- 5 Then the glory of the LORD will be revealed, And all flesh will see it together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."
- 6 A voice says, "Call out." Then he answered, "What shall I call out?" All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field.
- 7 The grass withers, the flower fades, When the breath of the LORD blows upon it; Surely the people are grass.
- 8 The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever.
- 9 ¶ Get yourself up on a high mountain, O Zion, bearer of good news, Lift up your voice mightily, O Jerusalem, bearer of good news; Lift it up, do not fear. Say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!"
- 10 Behold, the Lord GOD will come with might, With His arm ruling for Him. Behold, His reward is with Him, And His recompense before Him.
- 11 Like a shepherd He will tend His flock, In His arm He will gather the lambs, And carry them in His bosom; He will gently lead the nursing ewes.
- 12 ¶ Who has measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, And marked off the heavens by the span, And calculated the dust of the earth by the measure, And weighed the mountains in a balance, And the hills in a pair of scales?
- 13 Who has directed the Spirit of the LORD, Or as His counselor has informed Him?
- 14 With whom did He consult and who gave Him understanding? And who taught Him in the path of justice and taught Him knowledge, And informed Him of the way of understanding?
- 15 Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, And are regarded as a speck of dust on the scales; Behold, He lifts up the islands like fine dust.
- 16 Even Lebanon is not enough to burn, Nor its beasts enough for a burnt offering.
- 17 All the nations are as nothing before Him, They are regarded by Him as less than nothing and meaningless.
- 18 ¶ To whom then will you liken God? Or what likeness will you compare with Him?

- 19 As for the idol, a craftsman casts it, A goldsmith plates it with gold, And a silversmith fashions chains of silver.
- 20 He who is too impoverished for such an offering Selects a tree that does not rot; He seeks out for himself a skillful craftsman To prepare an idol that will not totter.
- 21 Do you not know? Have you not heard? Has it not been declared to you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? 22 It is He who sits above the vault of the earth, And its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain And spreads them out like a tent to dwell in. 23 He it is who reduces rulers to nothing, Who makes the judges of the earth

meaningless. 24 Scarcely have they been planted, Scarcely have they been sown, Scarcely

has their stock taken root in the earth, But He merely blows on them, and they wither, And the storm carries them away like stubble.

- 25 "To whom then will you liken Me That I should be his equal?" says the Holy One.
- 26 Lift up your eyes on high And see who has created these stars, The One who leads forth their host by number, He calls them all by name; Because of the greatness of His might and the strength of His power Not one of them is missing.
- 27 ¶ Why do you say, O Jacob, and assert, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, And the justice due me escapes the notice of my God"?
- 28 Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth Does not become weary or tired. His understanding is inscrutable.
- 29 He gives strength to the weary, And to him who lacks might He increases power.
- 30 Though youths grow weary and tired, And vigorous young men stumble badly,
- 31 Yet those who wait for the LORD Will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary.

- **41:1** ¶ "Coastlands, listen to Me in silence, And let the peoples gain new strength; Let them come forward, then let them speak; Let us come together for judgment.
- 2 "Who has aroused one from the east Whom He calls in righteousness to His feet? He delivers up nations before him, And subdues kings. He makes them like dust with his sword, As the wind-driven chaff with his bow.
- 3 "He pursues them, passing on in safety, By a way he had not been traversing with his feet.
- 4 "Who has performed and accomplished it, Calling forth the generations from the beginning? 'I, the LORD, am the first, and with the last. I am He.'"
- 5 The coastlands have seen and are afraid; The ends of the earth tremble; They

have drawn near and have come.

- 6 Each one helps his neighbor, And says to his brother, "Be strong!"
- 7 So the craftsman encourages the smelter, And he who smooths metal with the hammer encourages him who beats the anvil, Saying of the soldering, "It is good"; And he fastens it with nails, That it should not totter.
- 8 "But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, Descendant of Abraham My friend,
- 9 You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, And called from its remotest parts, And said to you, 'You are My servant, I have chosen you and not rejected you.
- 10 ¶ 'Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'
- 11 "Behold, all those who are angered at you will be shamed and dishonored; Those who contend with you will be as nothing, and will perish.
- 12 "You will seek those who quarrel with you, but will not find them, Those who war with you will be as nothing, and non-existent.
- 13 "For I am the LORD your God, who upholds your right hand, Who says to you, 'Do not fear, I will help you.'
- 14 "Do not fear, you worm Jacob, you men of Israel; I will help you," declares the LORD, "and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.
- 15 "Behold, I have made you a new, sharp threshing sledge with double edges; You will thresh the mountains, and pulverize them, And will make the hills like chaff.
- 16 "You will winnow them, and the wind will carry them away, And the storm will scatter them; But you will rejoice in the LORD, You will glory in the Holy One of Israel.
- 17 "The afflicted and needy are seeking water, but there is none, And their tongue is parched with thirst; I, the LORD, will answer them Myself, As the God of Israel I will not forsake them.
- 18 "I will open rivers on the bare heights, And springs in the midst of the valleys; I will make the wilderness a pool of water, And the dry land fountains of water.
- 19 "I will put the cedar in the wilderness, The acacia, and the myrtle, and the olive tree; I will place the juniper in the desert, Together with the box tree and the cypress,
- 20 That they may see and recognize, And consider and gain insight as well, That the hand of the LORD has done this, And the Holy One of Israel has created it.
- 21 ¶ "Present your case," the LORD says. "Bring forward your strong arguments," The King of Jacob says.
- 22 Let them bring forth and declare to us what is going to take place; As for the former events, declare what they were, That we may consider them, and know their outcome; Or announce to us what is coming.
- 23 Declare the things that are going to come afterward, That we may know

- that you are gods; Indeed, do good or evil, that we may anxiously look about us and fear together.
- 24 Behold, you are of no account, And your work amounts to nothing; He who chooses you is an abomination.
- 25 "I have aroused one from the north, and he has come; From the rising of the sun he will call on My name; And he will come upon rulers as upon mortar, Even as the potter treads clay."
- 26 Who has declared this from the beginning, that we might know? Or from former times, that we may say, "He is right!"? Surely there was no one who declared, Surely there was no one who proclaimed, Surely there was no one who heard your words.
- 27 "Formerly I said to Zion, 'Behold, here they are.' And to Jerusalem, 'I will give a messenger of good news.'
- 28 "But when I look, there is no one, And there is no counselor among them Who, if I ask, can give an answer.
- 29 "Behold, all of them are false; Their works are worthless, Their molten images are wind and emptiness.

- **42:1** ¶ "Behold, My Servant, whom I uphold; My chosen one in whom My soul delights. I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations. 2 "He will not cry out or raise His voice, Nor make His voice heard in the street.
- 3 "A bruised reed He will not break, And a dimly burning wick He will not extinguish; He will faithfully bring forth justice.
- 4 "He will not be disheartened or crushed, Until He has established justice in the earth; And the coastlands will wait expectantly for His law."
- 5 ¶ Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread out the earth and its offspring, Who gives breath to the people on it, And spirit to those who walk in it,
- 6 "I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I will also hold you by the hand and watch over you, And I will appoint you as a covenant to the people, As a light to the nations,
- 7 To open blind eyes, To bring out prisoners from the dungeon, And those who dwell in darkness from the prison.
- 8 "I am the LORD, that is My name; I will not give My glory to another, Nor My praise to graven images.
- 9 "Behold, the former things have come to pass, Now I declare new things; Before they spring forth I proclaim them to you."
- 10 Sing to the LORD a new song, Sing His praise from the end of the earth! You who go down to the sea, and all that is in it. You islands and those who dwell on them.
- 11 Let the wilderness and its cities lift up their voices, The settlements where

Kedar inhabits. Let the inhabitants of Sela sing aloud, Let them shout for joy from the tops of the mountains.

- 12 Let them give glory to the LORD, And declare His praise in the coastlands.
- 13 ¶ The LORD will go forth like a warrior, He will arouse His zeal like a man of war. He will utter a shout, yes, He will raise a war cry. He will prevail against His enemies.
- 14 "I have kept silent for a long time, I have kept still and restrained Myself. Now like a woman in labor I will groan, I will both gasp and pant.
- 15 "I will lay waste the mountains and hills, And wither all their vegetation; I will make the rivers into coastlands, And dry up the ponds.
- 16 "And I will lead the blind by a way they do not know, In paths they do not know I will guide them. I will make darkness into light before them And rugged places into plains. These are the things I will do, And I will not leave them undone."
- 17 They shall be turned back and be utterly put to shame, Who trust in idols, Who say to molten images, "You are our gods."
- 18 ¶ Hear, you deaf! And look, you blind, that you may see.
- 19 Who is blind but My servant, Or so deaf as My messenger whom I send? Who is so blind as he that is at peace with Me, Or so blind as the servant of the LORD?
- 20 You have seen many things, but you do not observe them; Your ears are open, but none hears.
- 21 The LORD was pleased for His righteousness' sake To make the law great and glorious.
- 22 But this is a people plundered and despoiled; All of them are trapped in caves, Or are hidden away in prisons; They have become a prey with none to deliver them, And a spoil, with none to say, "Give them back!"
- 23 Who among you will give ear to this? Who will give heed and listen hereafter? 24 Who gave Jacob up for spoil, and Israel to plunderers? Was it not the LORD, against whom we have sinned, And in whose ways they were not willing to walk,
- 25 So He poured out on him the heat of His anger And the fierceness of battle; And it set him aflame all around, Yet he did not recognize it; And it burned him, but he paid no attention.

Chapter 43

And whose law they did not obey?

- **43:1** ¶ But now, thus says the LORD, your Creator, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine!
- 2 "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, Nor will the flame burn you. 3 "For I am the LORD your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I have
- given Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in your place. 4 "Since you are precious in My sight, Since you are honored and I love you, I

will give other men in your place and other peoples in exchange for your life. 5 "Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, And gather you from the west. 6 "I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not hold them

back.' Bring My sons from afar, And My daughters from the ends of the earth, 7 Everyone who is called by My name, And whom I have created for My glory, Whom I have formed, even whom I have made." 8 ¶ Bring out the people who are blind, even though they have eyes, And the

deaf, even though they have ears. 9 All the nations have gathered together In order that the peoples may be

assembled. Who among them can declare this And proclaim to us the former things? Let them present their witnesses that they may be justified, Or let them hear and say, "It is true."

- 10 "You are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, In order that you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, And there will be none after Me.
- 11 "I, even I, am the LORD; And there is no savior besides Me.
- 12 "It is I who have declared and saved and proclaimed, And there was no strange god among you; So you are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "And I am God.
- 13 "Even from eternity I am He; And there is none who can deliver out of My hand; I act and who can reverse it?"
- 14 ¶ Thus says the LORD your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel, "For your sake I have sent to Babylon, And will bring them all down as fugitives, Even the Chaldeans, into the ships in which they rejoice.
- 15 "I am the LORD, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King."
- 16 Thus says the LORD, Who makes a way through the sea And a path through the mighty waters,
- 17 Who brings forth the chariot and the horse, The army and the mighty man (They will lie down together and not rise again; They have been quenched and extinguished like a wick):
- 18 "Do not call to mind the former things, Or ponder things of the past.
- 19 "Behold, I will do something new, Now it will spring forth; Will you not be aware of it? I will even make a roadway in the wilderness, Rivers in the desert.
- 20 "The beasts of the field will glorify Me; The jackals and the ostriches; Because I have given waters in the wilderness And rivers in the desert, To give drink to My chosen people. 21 "The people whom I formed for Myself, Will declare My praise. 22 ¶ "Yet you have not called on Me, O Jacob; But you have become weary of
- Me, O Israel. 23 "You have not brought to Me the sheep of your burnt offerings; Nor have
- you honored Me with your sacrifices. I have not burdened you with offerings, Nor wearied you with incense.

- 24 "You have bought Me no sweet cane with money, Neither have you filled Me with the fat of your sacrifices; Rather you have burdened Me with your sins, You have wearied Me with your iniquities.
- 25 "I, even I, am the one who wipes out your transgressions for My own sake; And I will not remember your sins.
- 26 "Put Me in remembrance; let us argue our case together, State your cause, that you may be proved right.
- 27 "Your first forefather sinned, And your spokesmen have transgressed against Me.
- 28 "So I will pollute the princes of the sanctuary; And I will consign Jacob to the ban, and Israel to revilement.

- 44:1 ¶ "But now listen, O Jacob, My servant; And Israel, whom I have chosen:
- 2 Thus says the LORD who made you And formed you from the womb, who will help you, 'Do not fear, O Jacob My servant; And you Jeshurun whom I have chosen.
- 3 'For I will pour out water on the thirsty land And streams on the dry ground; I will pour out My Spirit on your offspring, And My blessing on your descendants;
- 4 And they will spring up among the grass Like poplars by streams of water.'
- 5 "This one will say, 'I am the LORD'S'; And that one will call on the name of Jacob; And another will write on his hand, 'Belonging to the LORD,' And will name Israel's name with honor.
- 6 "Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel And his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: 'I am the first and I am the last, And there is no God besides Me.
- 7 'And who is like Me? Let him proclaim and declare it; Yes, let him recount it to Me in order, From the time that I established the ancient nation. And let them declare to them the things that are coming And the events that are going to take place.
- 8 'Do not tremble and do not be afraid; Have I not long since announced it to you and declared it? And you are My witnesses. Is there any God besides Me, Or is there any other Rock? I know of none.'"
- 9 ¶ Those who fashion a graven image are all of them futile, and their precious things are of no profit; even their own witnesses fail to see or know, so that they will be put to shame.
- 10 Who has fashioned a god or cast an idol to no profit?
- 11 Behold, all his companions will be put to shame, for the craftsmen themselves are mere men. Let them all assemble themselves, let them stand up, let them tremble, let them together be put to shame.
- 12 The man shapes iron into a cutting tool, and does his work over the coals, fashioning it with hammers, and working it with his strong arm. He also gets hungry and his strength fails; he drinks no water and becomes weary.
- 13 Another shapes wood, he extends a measuring line; he outlines it with red chalk. He works it with planes, and outlines it with a compass, and makes it like the form

of a man, like the beauty of man, so that it may sit in a house.

- 14 Surely he cuts cedars for himself, and takes a cypress or an oak, and raises it for himself among the trees of the forest. He plants a fir, and the rain makes it grow.
- 15 Then it becomes something for a man to burn, so he takes one of them and warms himself; he also makes a fire to bake bread. He also makes a god and worships it; he makes it a graven image, and falls down before it.
- 16 Half of it he burns in the fire; over this half he eats meat as he roasts a roast, and is satisfied. He also warms himself and says, "Aha! I am warm, I have seen the fire."
- 17 But the rest of it he makes into a god, his graven image. He falls down before it and worships; he also prays to it and says, "Deliver me, for thou art my god."
- 18 They do not know, nor do they understand, for He has smeared over their eyes so that they cannot see and their hearts so that they cannot comprehend.
- 19 And no one recalls, nor is there knowledge or understanding to say, "I have burned half of it in the fire, and also have baked bread over its coals. I roast meat and eat it. Then I make the rest of it into an abomination, I fall down before a block of wood!"
- 20 He feeds on ashes; a deceived heart has turned him aside. And he cannot deliver himself, nor say, "Is there not a lie in my right hand?"
- 21 ¶ "Remember these things, O Jacob, And Israel, for you are My servant; I have formed you, you are My servant, O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me.
- 22 "I have wiped out your transgressions like a thick cloud, And your sins like a heavy mist. Return to Me, for I have redeemed you."
- 23 Shout for joy, O heavens, for the LORD has done it! Shout joyfully, you lower parts of the earth; Break forth into a shout of joy, you mountains, O forest, and every tree in it; For the LORD has redeemed Jacob And in Israel He shows forth His glory.
- 24 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, and the one who formed you from the womb, "I, the LORD, am the maker of all things, Stretching out the heavens by Myself, And spreading out the earth all alone, 25 Causing the omens of boasters to fail, Making fools out of diviners, Causing
- wise men to draw back, And turning their knowledge into foolishness, 26 Confirming the word of His servant, And performing the purpose of His messengers. It is I who says of Jerusalem, 'She shall be inhabited!' And of the cities of Judah, 'They shall be built.' And I will raise up her ruins again.
- 27 "It is I who says to the depth of the sea, 'Be dried up!' And I will make your rivers dry.
- 28 "It is I who says of Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd! And he will perform all My desire.' And he declares of Jerusalem, 'She will be built,' And of the temple, 'Your foundation will be laid.'"

- **45:1** ¶ Thus says the LORD to Cyrus His anointed, Whom I have taken by the right hand, To subdue nations before him, And to loose the loins of kings; To open doors before him so that gates will not be shut:
- 2 "I will go before you and make the rough places smooth; I will shatter the doors of bronze, and cut through their iron bars.
- 3 "And I will give you the treasures of darkness, And hidden wealth of secret places, In order that you may know that it is I, The LORD, the God of Israel, who calls you by your name.
- 4 "For the sake of Jacob My servant, And Israel My chosen one, I have also called you by your name; I have given you a title of honor Though you have not known Me.
- 5 ¶ "I am the LORD, and there is no other; Besides Me there is no God. I will gird you, though you have not known Me;
- 6 That men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun That there is no one besides Me. I am the LORD, and there is no other,
- 7 The One forming light and creating darkness, Causing well-being and creating calamity; I am the LORD who does all these.
- 8 "Drip down, O heavens, from above, And let the clouds pour down righteousness; Let the earth open up and salvation bear fruit, And righteousness spring up with it. I, the LORD, have created it.
- 9 "Woe to the one who quarrels with his Maker-- An earthenware vessel among the vessels of earth! Will the clay say to the potter, 'What are you doing?' Or the thing you are making say, 'He has no hands'?
- 10 "Woe to him who says to a father, 'What are you begetting?' Or to a woman, 'To what are you giving birth?'"
- 11 ¶ Thus says the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker: "Ask Me about the things to come concerning My sons, And you shall commit to Me the work of My hands.
- 12 "It is I who made the earth, and created man upon it. I stretched out the heavens with My hands, And I ordained all their host. 13 "I have aroused him in righteousness, And I will make all his ways smooth;
- He will build My city, and will let My exiles go free, Without any payment or reward," says the LORD of hosts.
- 14 Thus says the LORD, "The products of Egypt and the merchandise of Cush And the Sabeans, men of stature, Will come over to you and will be yours; They will walk behind you, they will come over in chains And will bow down to you; They will make supplication to you: 'Surely, God is with you, and there is none else, No other God.'"
- 15 Truly, Thou art a God who hides Himself, O God of Israel, Savior!
- 16 They will be put to shame and even humiliated, all of them; The manufacturers of idols will go away together in humiliation.

- 17 Israel has been saved by the LORD With an everlasting salvation; You will not be put to shame or humiliated To all eternity.
- 18 For thus says the LORD, who created the heavens (He is the God who formed the earth and made it, He established it and did not create it a waste place, But formed it to be inhabited), "I am the LORD, and there is none else.
- 19 "I have not spoken in secret, In some dark land; I did not say to the offspring of Jacob, 'Seek Me in a waste place'; I, the LORD, speak righteousness Declaring things that are upright.
- 20 ¶ "Gather yourselves and come; Draw near together, you fugitives of the nations; They have no knowledge, Who carry about their wooden idol, And pray to a god who cannot save.
- 21 "Declare and set forth your case; Indeed, let them consult together. Who has announced this from of old? Who has long since declared it? Is it not I, the LORD? And there is no other God besides Me, A righteous God and a Savior; There is none except Me.
- 22 "Turn to Me, and be saved, all the ends of the earth; For I am God, and there is no other.
- 23 "I have sworn by Myself, The word has gone forth from My mouth in righteousness And will not turn back, That to Me every knee will bow, every tongue will swear allegiance.
- 24 "They will say of Me, 'Only in the LORD are righteousness and strength.' Men will come to Him, And all who were angry at Him shall be put to shame.
- 25 "In the LORD all the offspring of Israel Will be justified, and will glory."

- **46:1** ¶ Bel has bowed down, Nebo stoops over; Their images are consigned to the beasts and the cattle. The things that you carry are burdensome, A load for the weary beast.
- 2 They stooped over, they have bowed down together; They could not rescue the burden, But have themselves gone into captivity.
- 3 "Listen to Me, O house of Jacob, And all the remnant of the house of Israel, You who have been borne by Me from birth, And have been carried from the womb;
- 4 Even to your old age, I shall be the same, And even to your graying years I shall bear you! I have done it, and I shall carry you; And I shall bear you, and I shall deliver you.
- 5 ¶ "To whom would you liken Me, And make Me equal and compare Me, That we should be alike?
- 6 "Those who lavish gold from the purse And weigh silver on the scale Hire a goldsmith, and he makes it into a god; They bow down, indeed they worship it.
- 7 "They lift it upon the shoulder and carry it; They set it in its place and it stands there. It does not move from its place. Though one may cry to it, it cannot answer; It cannot deliver him from his distress.

- 8 "Remember this, and be assured; Recall it to mind, you transgressors.
- 9 "Remember the former things long past, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like Me,
- 10 Declaring the end from the beginning And from ancient times things which have not been done, Saying, 'My purpose will be established, And I will accomplish all My good pleasure';
- 11 Calling a bird of prey from the east, The man of My purpose from a far country. Truly I have spoken; truly I will bring it to pass. I have planned it, surely I will do it.
- 12 "Listen to Me, you stubborn-minded, Who are far from righteousness.
- 13 "I bring near My righteousness, it is not far off; And My salvation will not delay. And I will grant salvation in Zion, And My glory for Israel.

- **47:1** ¶ "Come down and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon; Sit on the ground without a throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans. For you shall no longer be called tender and delicate.
- 2 "Take the millstones and grind meal. Remove your veil, strip off the skirt, Uncover the leg, cross the rivers.
- 3 "Your nakedness will be uncovered, Your shame also will be exposed; I will take vengeance and will not spare a man."
- 4 Our Redeemer, the LORD of hosts is His name, The Holy One of Israel.
- 5 "Sit silently, and go into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans; For you will no more be called The queen of kingdoms.
- 6 "I was angry with My people, I profaned My heritage, And gave them into your hand. You did not show mercy to them, On the aged you made your yoke very heavy.
- 7 ¶ "Yet you said, 'I shall be a queen forever.' These things you did not consider, Nor remember the outcome of them.
- 8 "Now, then, hear this, you sensual one, Who dwells securely, Who says in your heart, 'I am, and there is no one besides me. I shall not sit as a widow, Nor shall I know loss of children.'
- 9 "But these two things shall come on you suddenly in one day: Loss of children and widowhood. They shall come on you in full measure In spite of your many sorceries, In spite of the great power of your spells.
- 10 "And you felt secure in your wickedness and said, 'No one sees me,' Your wisdom and your knowledge, they have deluded you; For you have said in your heart, 'I am, and there is no one besides me.'
- 11 "But evil will come on you Which you will not know how to charm away; And disaster will fall on you For which you cannot atone, And destruction about which you do not know Will come on you suddenly.
- 12 "Stand fast now in your spells And in your many sorceries With which you have labored from your youth; Perhaps you will be able to profit, Perhaps you may cause

trembling.

- 13 "You are wearied with your many counsels; Let now the astrologers, Those who prophesy by the stars, Those who predict by the new moons, Stand up and save you from what will come upon you.
- 14 "Behold, they have become like stubble, Fire burns them; They cannot deliver themselves from the power of the flame; There will be no coal to warm by, Nor a fire to sit before!
- 15 "So have those become to you with whom you have labored, Who have trafficked with you from your youth; Each has wandered in his own way. There is none to save you.

- **48:1** ¶ "Hear this, O house of Jacob, who are named Israel And who came forth from the loins of Judah, Who swear by the name of the LORD And invoke the God of Israel, But not in truth nor in righteousness.
- 2 "For they call themselves after the holy city, And lean on the God of Israel; The LORD of hosts is His name.
- 3 "I declared the former things long ago And they went forth from My mouth, and I proclaimed them. Suddenly I acted, and they came to pass.
- 4 "Because I know that you are obstinate, And your neck is an iron sinew, And your forehead bronze,
- 5 Therefore I declared them to you long ago, Before they took place I proclaimed them to you, Lest you should say, 'My idol has done them, And my graven image and my molten image have commanded them.'
- 6 "You have heard; look at all this. And you, will you not declare it? I proclaim to you new things from this time, Even hidden things which you have not known.
- 7 "They are created now and not long ago; And before today you have not heard them, Lest you should say, 'Behold, I knew them.' 8 "You have not heard, you have not known. Even from long ago your ear has
- not been open, Because I knew that you would deal very treacherously; And you have been called a rebel from birth.
- 9 ¶ "For the sake of My name I delay My wrath, And for My praise I restrain it for you, In order not to cut you off.
- 10 "Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver; I have tested you in the furnace of affliction.
- 11 "For My own sake, for My own sake, I will act; For how can My name be profaned? And My glory I will not give to another.
- 12 "Listen to Me, O Jacob, even Israel whom I called; I am He, I am the first, I am also the last.
- 13 "Surely My hand founded the earth, And My right hand spread out the heavens; When I call to them, they stand together.
- 14 "Assemble, all of you, and listen! Who among them has declared these things?

The LORD loves him; he shall carry out His good pleasure on Babylon, And His arm shall be against the Chaldeans.

- 15 "I, even I, have spoken; indeed I have called him, I have brought him, and He will make his ways successful.
- 16 ¶ "Come near to Me, listen to this: From the first I have not spoken in secret, From the time it took place, I was there. And now the Lord GOD has sent Me, and His Spirit."
- 17 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; "I am the LORD your God, who teaches you to profit, Who leads you in the way you should go. 18 "If only you had paid attention to My commandments! Then your well-being would have been like a river, And your righteousness like the waves of the sea. 19 "Your descendants would have been like the sand, And your offspring like its grains; Their name would never be cut off or destroyed from My presence." 20 Go forth from Babylon! Flee from the Chaldeans! Declare with the sound of joyful shouting, proclaim this, Send it out to the end of the earth; Say, "The LORD has redeemed His servant Jacob."
- 21 And they did not thirst when He led them through the deserts. He made the water flow out of the rock for them; He split the rock, and the water gushed forth. 22 "There is no peace for the wicked," says the LORD.

Chapter 49

quiver.

- **49:1** ¶ Listen to Me, O islands, And pay attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called Me from the womb; From the body of My mother He named Me. 2 And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword; In the shadow of His hand He has concealed Me, And He has also made Me a select arrow; He has hidden Me in His
- 3 And He said to Me, "You are My Servant, Israel, In Whom I will show My glory."
- 4 But I said, "I have toiled in vain, I have spent My strength for nothing and vanity; Yet surely the justice due to Me is with the LORD, And My reward with My God."
- 5 And now says the LORD, who formed Me from the womb to be His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, in order that Israel might be gathered to Him (For I am honored in the sight of the LORD, And My God is My strength),
- 6 He says, "It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the nations So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth."
- 7 ¶ Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, and its Holy One, To the despised One, To the One abhorred by the nation, To the Servant of rulers, "Kings shall see and arise, Princes shall also bow down; Because of the LORD who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel who has chosen You."
- 8 Thus says the LORD, "In a favorable time I have answered You, And in a day of salvation I have helped You; And I will keep You and give You for a covenant of the people, To restore the land, to make them inherit the desolate heritages;

- 9 Saying to those who are bound, 'Go forth,' To those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.' Along the roads they will feed, And their pasture will be on all bare heights.
- 10 "They will not hunger or thirst, Neither will the scorching heat or sun strike them down; For He who has compassion on them will lead them, And will guide them to springs of water.
- 11 "And I will make all My mountains a road, And My highways will be raised up.
- 12 "Behold, these shall come from afar; And Io, these will come from the north and from the west, And these from the land of Sinim."
- 13 ¶ Shout for joy, O heavens! And rejoice, O earth! Break forth into joyful shouting, O mountains! For the LORD has comforted His people, And will have compassion on His afflicted.
- 14 But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, And the Lord has forgotten me."
- 15 "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you.
- 16 "Behold, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.
- 17 "Your builders hurry; Your destroyers and devastators Will depart from you.
- 18 ¶ "Lift up your eyes and look around; All of them gather together, they come to you. As I live," declares the LORD, "You shall surely put on all of them as jewels, and bind them on as a bride.
- 19 "For your waste and desolate places, and your destroyed land-- Surely now you will be too cramped for the inhabitants, And those who swallowed you will be far away.
- 20 "The children of whom you were bereaved will yet say in your ears, 'The place is too cramped for me; Make room for me that I may live here.'
- 21 "Then you will say in your heart, 'Who has begotten these for me, Since I have been bereaved of my children, And am barren, an exile and a wanderer? And who has reared these? Behold, I was left alone; From where did these come?'"
- 22 Thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I will lift up My hand to the nations, And set up My standard to the peoples; And they will bring your sons in their bosom, And your daughters will be carried on their shoulders.
- 23 "And kings will be your guardians, And their princesses your nurses. They will bow down to you with their faces to the earth, And lick the dust of your feet; And you will know that I am the LORD; Those who hopefully wait for Me will not be put to shame.
- 24 ¶ "Can the prey be taken from the mighty man, Or the captives of a tyrant be rescued?"
- 25 Surely, thus says the LORD, "Even the captives of the mighty man will be taken away, And the prey of the tyrant will be rescued; For I will contend with the one who contends with you, And I will save your sons.
- 26 "And I will feed your oppressors with their own flesh, And they will become

drunk with their own blood as with sweet wine; And all flesh will know that I, the LORD, am your Savior, And your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob."

Chapter 50

- **50:1** ¶ Thus says the LORD, "Where is the certificate of divorce, By which I have sent your mother away? Or to whom of My creditors did I sell you? Behold, you were sold for your iniquities, And for your transgressions your mother was sent away.
- 2 "Why was there no man when I came? When I called, why was there none to answer? Is My hand so short that it cannot ransom? Or have I no power to deliver? Behold, I dry up the sea with My rebuke, I make the rivers a wilderness; Their fish stink for lack of water, And die of thirst.
- 3 "I clothe the heavens with blackness, And I make sackcloth their covering."
- 4 ¶ The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of disciples, That I may know how to sustain the weary one with a word. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear to listen as a disciple.
- 5 The Lord GOD has opened My ear; And I was not disobedient, Nor did I turn back.
- 6 I gave My back to those who strike Me, And My cheeks to those who pluck out the beard; I did not cover My face from humiliation and spitting.
- 7 For the Lord GOD helps Me, Therefore, I am not disgraced; Therefore, I have set My face like flint, And I know that I shall not be ashamed.
- 8 He who vindicates Me is near; Who will contend with Me? Let us stand up to each other; Who has a case against Me? Let him draw near to Me.
- 9 Behold, the Lord GOD helps Me; Who is he who condemns Me? Behold, they will all wear out like a garment; The moth will eat them.
- 10 ¶ Who is among you that fears the LORD, That obeys the voice of His servant, That walks in darkness and has no light? Let him trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.
- 11 Behold, all you who kindle a fire, Who encircle yourselves with firebrands, Walk in the light of your fire And among the brands you have set ablaze. This you will have from My hand; And you will lie down in torment.

- 51:1 ¶ "Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, Who seek the LORD: Look to the rock from which you were hewn, And to the quarry from which you were dug.
- 2 "Look to Abraham your father, And to Sarah who gave birth to you in pain; When he was one I called him, Then I blessed him and multiplied him."
- 3 Indeed, the LORD will comfort Zion; He will comfort all her waste places. And her wilderness He will make like Eden, And her desert like the garden of the LORD; Joy and gladness will be found in her, Thanksgiving and sound of a melody.
- 4 ¶ "Pay attention to Me, O My people; And give ear to Me, O My nation; For a law will go forth from Me, And I will set My justice for a light of the peoples. 5 "My

- righteousness is near, My salvation has gone forth, And My arms will judge the peoples; The coastlands will wait for Me, And for My arm they will wait expectantly.
- 6 "Lift up your eyes to the sky, Then look to the earth beneath; For the sky will vanish like smoke, And the earth will wear out like a garment, And its inhabitants will die in like manner, But My salvation shall be forever, And My righteousness shall not wane.
- 7 "Listen to Me, you who know righteousness, A people in whose heart is My law; Do not fear the reproach of man, Neither be dismayed at their revilings.
- 8 "For the moth will eat them like a garment, And the grub will eat them like wool. But My righteousness shall be forever, And My salvation to all generations."
- 9 ¶ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; Awake as in the days of old, the generations of long ago. Was it not Thou who cut Rahab in pieces, Who pierced the dragon?
- 10 Was it not Thou who dried up the sea, The waters of the great deep; Who made the depths of the sea a pathway For the redeemed to cross over?
- 11 So the ransomed of the LORD will return, And come with joyful shouting to Zion; And everlasting joy will be on their heads. They will obtain gladness and joy, And sorrow and sighing will flee away.
- 12 "I, even I, am He who comforts you. Who are you that you are afraid of man who dies, And of the son of man who is made like grass;
- 13 That you have forgotten the LORD your Maker, Who stretched out the heavens, And laid the foundations of the earth; That you fear continually all day long because of the fury of the oppressor, As he makes ready to destroy? But where is the fury of the oppressor?
- 14 "The exile will soon be set free, and will not die in the dungeon, nor will his bread be lacking.
- 15 "For I am the LORD your God, who stirs up the sea and its waves roar (the LORD of hosts is His name).
- 16 "And I have put My words in your mouth, and have covered you with the shadow of My hand, to establish the heavens, to found the earth, and to say to Zion, 'You are My people.'"
- 17 ¶ Rouse yourself! Rouse yourself! Arise, O Jerusalem, You who have drunk from the LORD'S hand the cup of His anger; The chalice of reeling you have drained to the dregs.
- 18 There is none to guide her among all the sons she has borne; Nor is there one to take her by the hand among all the sons she has reared.
- 19 These two things have befallen you; Who will mourn for you? The devastation and destruction, famine and sword; How shall I comfort you?
- 20 Your sons have fainted, They lie helpless at the head of every street, Like an antelope in a net, Full of the wrath of the LORD, The rebuke of your God.
- 21 Therefore, please hear this, you afflicted, Who are drunk, but not with wine:

- 22 Thus says your Lord, the LORD, even your God Who contends for His people, "Behold, I have taken out of your hand the cup of reeling; The chalice of My anger, You will never drink it again.
- 23 "And I will put it into the hand of your tormentors, Who have said to you, 'Lie down that we may walk over you.' You have even made your back like the ground, And like the street for those who walk over it."

- **52:1** ¶ Awake, awake, Clothe yourself in your strength, O Zion; Clothe yourself in your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city. For the uncircumcised and the unclean Will no more come into you.
- 2 Shake yourself from the dust, rise up, O captive Jerusalem; Loose yourself from the chains around your neck, O captive daughter of Zion.
- 3 For thus says the LORD, "You were sold for nothing and you will be redeemed without money."
- 4 For thus says the Lord GOD, "My people went down at the first into Egypt to reside there, then the Assyrian oppressed them without cause. 5 "Now therefore, what do I have here," declares the LORD, "seeing that My
- people have been taken away without cause?" Again the LORD declares, "Those who rule over them howl, and My name is continually blasphemed all day long.
- 6 "Therefore My people shall know My name; therefore in that day I am the one who is speaking, 'Here I am.'"
- 7 ¶ How lovely on the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who announces peace And brings good news of happiness, Who announces salvation, And says to Zion, "Your God reigns!"
- 8 Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices, They shout joyfully together; For they will see with their own eyes When the LORD restores Zion.
- 9 Break forth, shout joyfully together, You waste places of Jerusalem; For the LORD has comforted His people, He has redeemed Jerusalem.
- 10 The LORD has bared His holy arm In the sight of all the nations, That all the ends of the earth may see The salvation of our God.
- 11 Depart, depart, go out from there, Touch nothing unclean; Go out of the midst of her, purify yourselves, You who carry the vessels of the LORD.
- 12 But you will not go out in haste, Nor will you go as fugitives; For the LORD will go before you, And the God of Israel will be your rear guard.
- 13 ¶ Behold, My servant will prosper, He will be high and lifted up, and greatly exalted.
- 14 Just as many were astonished at you, My people, So His appearance was marred more than any man, And His form more than the sons of men.
- 15 Thus He will sprinkle many nations, Kings will shut their mouths on account of Him; For what had not been told them they will see, And what they had not heard they will understand.

- **53:1** ¶ Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
- 2 For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, And like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty That we should look upon Him, Nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him.
- 3 He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face, He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.
- 4 ¶ Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.
- 5 But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.
- 6 All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him. 7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like
- a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth.
- 8 By oppression and judgment He was taken away; And as for His generation, who considered That He was cut off out of the land of the living, For the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due?
- 9 His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.
- 10 ¶ But the LORD was pleased To crush Him, putting Him to grief; If He would render Himself as a guilt offering, He will see His offspring, He will prolong His days, And the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.
- 11 As a result of the anguish of His soul, He will see it and be satisfied; By His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many, As He will bear their iniquities.
- 12 Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great, And He will divide the booty with the strong; Because He poured out Himself to death, And was numbered with the transgressors; Yet He Himself bore the sin of many, And interceded for the transgressors.

- **54:1** ¶ "Shout for joy, O barren one, you who have borne no child; Break forth into joyful shouting and cry aloud, you who have not travailed; For the sons of the desolate one will be more numerous Than the sons of the married woman," says the LORD.
- 2 "Enlarge the place of your tent; Stretch out the curtains of your dwellings, spare

- not; Lengthen your cords, And strengthen your pegs.
- 3 "For you will spread abroad to the right and to the left. And your descendants will possess nations, And they will resettle the desolate cities.
- 4 "Fear not, for you will not be put to shame; Neither feel humiliated, for you will not be disgraced; But you will forget the shame of your youth, And the reproach of your widowhood you will remember no more.
- 5 "For your husband is your Maker, Whose name is the LORD of hosts; And your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, Who is called the God of all the earth.
- 6 ¶ "For the LORD has called you, Like a wife forsaken and grieved in spirit, Even like a wife of one's youth when she is rejected," Says your God.
- 7 "For a brief moment I forsook you, But with great compassion I will gather you.
- 8 "In an outburst of anger I hid My face from you for a moment; But with everlasting lovingkindness I will have compassion on you," Says the LORD your Redeemer.
- 9 "For this is like the days of Noah to Me; When I swore that the waters of Noah Should not flood the earth again, So I have sworn that I will not be angry with you, Nor will I rebuke you.
- 10 "For the mountains may be removed and the hills may shake, But My lovingkindness will not be removed from you, And My covenant of peace will not be shaken," Says the LORD who has compassion on you.
- 11 ¶ "O afflicted one, storm-tossed, and not comforted, Behold, I will set your stones in antimony, And your foundations I will lay in sapphires.
- 12 "Moreover, I will make your battlements of rubies, And your gates of crystal, And your entire wall of precious stones.
- 13 "And all your sons will be taught of the LORD; And the well-being of your sons will be great.
- 14 "In righteousness you will be established; You will be far from oppression, for you will not fear; And from terror, for it will not come near you.
- 15 "If anyone fiercely assails you it will not be from Me. Whoever assails you will fall because of you.
- 16 "Behold, I Myself have created the smith who blows the fire of coals, And brings out a weapon for its work; And I have created the destroyer to ruin.
- 17 "No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; And every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their vindication is from Me," declares the LORD.

- **55:1** ¶ "Ho! Every one who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money come, buy and eat. Come, buy wine and milk Without money and without cost.
- 2 "Why do you spend money for what is not bread, And your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, And delight yourself in

abundance.

- 3 "Incline your ear and come to Me. Listen, that you may live; And I will make an everlasting covenant with you, According to the faithful mercies shown to David.
- 4 "Behold, I have made him a witness to the peoples, A leader and commander for the peoples.
- 5 "Behold, you will call a nation you do not know, And a nation which knows you not will run to you, Because of the LORD your God, even the Holy One of Israel; For He has glorified you."
- 6 ¶ Seek the LORD while He may be found; Call upon Him while He is near.
- 7 Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return to the LORD, And He will have compassion on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.
- 8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Neither are your ways My ways," declares the LORD.
- 9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.
- 10 "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, And do not return there without watering the earth, And making it bear and sprout, And furnishing seed to the sower and bread to the eater;
- 11 So shall My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what I desire, And without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it.
- 12 "For you will go out with joy, And be led forth with peace; The mountains and the hills will break forth into shouts of joy before you, And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.
- 13 "Instead of the thorn bush the cypress will come up; And instead of the nettle the myrtle will come up; And it will be a memorial to the LORD, For an everlasting sign which will not be cut off."

- **56:1** ¶ Thus says the LORD, "Preserve justice, and do righteousness, For My salvation is about to come And My righteousness to be revealed.
- 2 "How blessed is the man who does this, And the son of man who takes hold of it; Who keeps from profaning the sabbath, And keeps his hand from doing any evil."
- 3 ¶ Let not the foreigner who has joined himself to the LORD say, "The LORD will surely separate me from His people." Neither let the eunuch say, "Behold, I am a dry tree."
- 4 For thus says the LORD, "To the eunuchs who keep My sabbaths, And choose what pleases Me, And hold fast My covenant,
- 5 To them I will give in My house and within My walls a memorial, And a name better than that of sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name which will not be cut off.

- 6 "Also the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, To minister to Him, and to love the name of the LORD, To be His servants, every one who keeps from profaning the sabbath, And holds fast My covenant;
- 7 Even those I will bring to My holy mountain, And make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be acceptable on My altar; For My house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples."
- 8 The Lord GOD, who gathers the dispersed of Israel, declares, "Yet others I will gather to them, to those already gathered."
- 9 ¶ All you beasts of the field, All you beasts in the forest, Come to eat.
- 10 His watchmen are blind, All of them know nothing. All of them are dumb dogs unable to bark, Dreamers lying down, who love to slumber;
- 11 And the dogs are greedy, they are not satisfied. And they are shepherds who have no understanding; They have all turned to their own way, Each one to his unjust gain, to the last one. 12 "Come," they say, "let us get wine, and let us drink heavily of strong drink;

And tomorrow will be like today, only more so."

- **57:1** ¶ The righteous man perishes, and no man takes it to heart; And devout men are taken away, while no one understands. For the righteous man is taken away from evil,
- 2 He enters into peace; They rest in their beds, Each one who walked in his upright way.
- $3\ \P$ "But come here, you sons of a sorceress, Offspring of an adulterer and a prostitute.
- 4 "Against whom do you jest? Against whom do you open wide your mouth And stick out your tongue? Are you not children of rebellion, Offspring of deceit,
- 5 Who inflame yourselves among the oaks, Under every luxuriant tree, Who slaughter the children in the ravines, Under the clefts of the crags?
- 6 "Among the smooth stones of the ravine Is your portion, they are your lot; Even to them you have poured out a libation, You have made a grain offering. Shall I relent concerning these things?
- 7 "Upon a high and lofty mountain You have made your bed. You also went up there to offer sacrifice.
- 8 "And behind the door and the doorpost You have set up your sign; Indeed, far removed from Me, you have uncovered yourself; And have gone up and made your bed wide. And you have made an agreement for yourself with them, You have loved their bed, You have looked on their manhood.
- 9 "And you have journeyed to the king with oil And increased your perfumes; You have sent your envoys a great distance, And made them go down to Sheol.
- 10 "You were tired out by the length of your road, Yet you did not say, 'It is hopeless.' You found renewed strength, Therefore you did not faint.

- 11 "Of whom were you worried and fearful, When you lied, and did not remember Me, Nor give Me a thought? Was I not silent even for a long time So you do not fear Me?
- 12 "I will declare your righteousness and your deeds, But they will not profit you.
- 13 ¶ "When you cry out, let your collection of idols deliver you. But the wind will carry all of them up, And a breath will take them away. But he who takes refuge in Me shall inherit the land, And shall possess My holy mountain."
- 14 And it shall be said, "Build up, build up, prepare the way, Remove every obstacle out of the way of My people."
- 15 For thus says the high and exalted One Who lives forever, whose name is Holy, "I dwell on a high and holy place, And also with the contrite and lowly of spirit In order to revive the spirit of the lowly And to revive the heart of the contrite.
- 16 "For I will not contend forever, Neither will I always be angry; For the spirit would grow faint before Me, And the breath of those whom I have made.
- 17 ¶ "Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain I was angry and struck him; I hid My face and was angry, And he went on turning away, in the way of his heart.
- 18 "I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will lead him and restore comfort to him and to his mourners,
- 19 Creating the praise of the lips. Peace, peace to him who is far and to him who is near," Says the LORD, "and I will heal him."
- 20 But the wicked are like the tossing sea, For it cannot be quiet, And its waters toss up refuse and mud.
- 21 "There is no peace," says my God, "for the wicked."

- **58:1** ¶ "Cry loudly, do not hold back; Raise your voice like a trumpet, And declare to My people their transgression, And to the house of Jacob their sins.
- 2 "Yet they seek Me day by day, and delight to know My ways, As a nation that has done righteousness, And has not forsaken the ordinance of their God. They ask Me for just decisions, They delight in the nearness of God.
- 3 ¶ 'Why have we fasted and Thou dost not see? Why have we humbled ourselves and Thou dost not notice?' Behold, on the day of your fast you find your desire, And drive hard all your workers.
- 4 "Behold, you fast for contention and strife and to strike with a wicked fist. You do not fast like you do today to make your voice heard on high.
- 5 "Is it a fast like this which I choose, a day for a man to humble himself? Is it for bowing one's head like a reed, And for spreading out sackcloth and ashes as a bed? Will you call this a fast, even an acceptable day to the LORD?
- 6 "Is this not the fast which I choose, To loosen the bonds of wickedness, To undo the bands of the yoke, And to let the oppressed go free, And break every yoke? 7 "Is it not to divide your bread with the hungry, And bring the homeless poor into

- the house; When you see the naked, to cover him; And not to hide yourself from your own flesh?
- 8 ¶ "Then your light will break out like the dawn, And your recovery will speedily spring forth; And your righteousness will go before you; The glory of the LORD will be your rear guard.
- 9 "Then you will call, and the LORD will answer; You will cry, and He will say, 'Here I am.' If you remove the yoke from your midst, The pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness,
- 10 And if you give yourself to the hungry, And satisfy the desire of the afflicted, Then your light will rise in darkness, And your gloom will become like midday.
- 11 "And the LORD will continually guide you, And satisfy your desire in scorched places, And give strength to your bones; And you will be like a watered garden, And like a spring of water whose waters do not fail.
- 12 "And those from among you will rebuild the ancient ruins; You will raise up the age-old foundations; And you will be called the repairer of the breach, The restorer of the streets in which to dwell.
- 13 ¶ "If because of the sabbath, you turn your foot From doing your own pleasure on My holy day, And call the sabbath a delight, the holy day of the LORD honorable, And shall honor it, desisting from your own ways, From seeking your own pleasure, And speaking your own word,
- 14 Then you will take delight in the LORD, And I will make you ride on the heights of the earth; And I will feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father, For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

- **59:1** ¶ Behold, the LORD'S hand is not so short That it cannot save; Neither is His ear so dull That it cannot hear.
- 2 But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, And your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He does not hear.
- 3 For your hands are defiled with blood, And your fingers with iniquity; Your lips have spoken falsehood, Your tongue mutters wickedness.
- 4 No one sues righteously and no one pleads honestly. They trust in confusion, and speak lies; They conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.
- 5 They hatch adders' eggs and weave the spider's web; He who eats of their eggs dies, And from that which is crushed a snake breaks forth.
- 6 Their webs will not become clothing, Nor will they cover themselves with their works; Their works are works of iniquity, And an act of violence is in their hands.
- 7 Their feet run to evil, And they hasten to shed innocent blood; Their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; Devastation and destruction are in their highways.
- 8 They do not know the way of peace, And there is no justice in their tracks; They have made their paths crooked; Whoever treads on them does not know peace.

- 9 ¶ Therefore, justice is far from us, And righteousness does not overtake us; We hope for light, but behold, darkness; For brightness, but we walk in gloom.
- 10 We grope along the wall like blind men, We grope like those who have no eyes; We stumble at midday as in the twilight, Among those who are vigorous we are like dead men.
- 11 All of us growl like bears, And moan sadly like doves; We hope for justice, but there is none, For salvation, but it is far from us. 12 For our transgressions are multiplied before Thee, And our sins testify
- against us; For our transgressions are with us, And we know our iniquities: 13 Transgressing and denying the LORD, And turning away from our God, Speaking oppression and revolt, Conceiving in and uttering from the heart lying words.
- 14 And justice is turned back, And righteousness stands far away; For truth has stumbled in the street, And uprightness cannot enter.
- 15 Yes, truth is lacking; And he who turns aside from evil makes himself a prey. Now the LORD saw, And it was displeasing in His sight that there was no justice.
- 16 ¶ And He saw that there was no man, And was astonished that there was no one to intercede; Then His own arm brought salvation to Him; And His righteousness upheld Him.
- 17 And He put on righteousness like a breastplate, And a helmet of salvation on His head; And He put on garments of vengeance for clothing, And wrapped Himself with zeal as a mantle.
- 18 According to their deeds, so He will repay, Wrath to His adversaries, recompense to His enemies; To the coastlands He will make recompense.
- 19 So they will fear the name of the LORD from the west And His glory from the rising of the sun, For He will come like a rushing stream, Which the wind of the LORD drives.
- 20 "And a Redeemer will come to Zion, And to those who turn from transgression in Jacob," declares the LORD.
- 21 "And as for Me, this is My covenant with them," says the LORD: "My Spirit which is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your offspring," says the LORD, "from now and forever."

- **60:1** ¶ "Arise, shine; for your light has come, And the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
- 2 "For behold, darkness will cover the earth, And deep darkness the peoples; But the LORD will rise upon you, And His glory will appear upon you.
- 3 "And nations will come to your light, And kings to the brightness of your rising. 4 "Lift up your eyes round about, and see; They all gather together, they come to you. Your sons will come from afar, And your daughters will be carried in the arms.

- 5 "Then you will see and be radiant, And your heart will thrill and rejoice; Because the abundance of the sea will be turned to you, The wealth of the nations will come to you.
- 6 "A multitude of camels will cover you, The young camels of Midian and Ephah; All those from Sheba will come; They will bring gold and frankincense, And will bear good news of the praises of the LORD.
- 7 "All the flocks of Kedar will be gathered together to you, The rams of Nebaioth will minister to you; They will go up with acceptance on My altar, And I shall glorify My glorious house.
- 8 "Who are these who fly like a cloud, And like the doves to their lattices?
- 9 ¶ "Surely the coastlands will wait for Me; And the ships of Tarshish will come first, To bring your sons from afar, Their silver and their gold with them, For the name of the LORD your God, And for the Holy One of Israel because He has glorified you.
- 10 "And foreigners will build up your walls, And their kings will minister to you; For in My wrath I struck you, And in My favor I have had compassion on you.
- 11 "And your gates will be open continually; They will not be closed day or night, So that men may bring to you the wealth of the nations, With their kings led in procession.
- 12 "For the nation and the kingdom which will not serve you will perish, And the nations will be utterly ruined.
- 13 "The glory of Lebanon will come to you, The juniper, the box tree, and the cypress together, To beautify the place of My sanctuary; And I shall make the place of My feet glorious.
- 14 "And the sons of those who afflicted you will come bowing to you, And all those who despised you will bow themselves at the soles of your feet; And they will call you the city of the LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
- 15 ¶ "Whereas you have been forsaken and hated With no one passing through, I will make you an everlasting pride, A joy from generation to generation.
- 16 "You will also suck the milk of nations, And will suck the breast of kings; Then you will know that I, the LORD, am your Savior, And your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.
- 17 "Instead of bronze I will bring gold, And instead of iron I will bring silver, And instead of wood, bronze, And instead of stones, iron. And I will make peace your administrators, And righteousness your overseers.
- 18 "Violence will not be heard again in your land, Nor devastation or destruction within your borders; But you will call your walls salvation, and your gates praise.
- 19 "No longer will you have the sun for light by day, Nor for brightness will the moon give you light; But you will have the LORD for an everlasting light, And your God for your glory.
- 20 "Your sun will set no more, Neither will your moon wane; For you will have the LORD for an everlasting light, And the days of your mourning will be

finished. 21 "Then all your people will be righteous; They will possess the land forever,

The branch of My planting, The work of My hands, That I may be glorified. 22 "The smallest one will become a clan, And the least one a mighty nation. I, the LORD, will hasten it in its time."

Chapter 61

- **61:1** ¶ The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives, And freedom to prisoners; 2 To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn,
- 3 To grant those who mourn in Zion, Giving them a garland instead of ashes, The oil of gladness instead of mourning, The mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting. So they will be called oaks of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.
- 4 ¶ Then they will rebuild the ancient ruins, They will raise up the former devastations, And they will repair the ruined cities, The desolations of many generations.
- 5 And strangers will stand and pasture your flocks, And foreigners will be your farmers and your vinedressers.
- 6 But you will be called the priests of the LORD; You will be spoken of as ministers of our God. You will eat the wealth of nations, And in their riches you will boast.
- 7 Instead of your shame you will have a double portion, And instead of humiliation they will shout for joy over their portion. Therefore they will possess a double portion in their land, Everlasting joy will be theirs.
- 8 For I, the LORD, love justice, I hate robbery in the burnt offering; And I will faithfully give them their recompense, And I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
- 9 Then their offspring will be known among the nations, And their descendants in the midst of the peoples. All who see them will recognize them Because they are the offspring whom the LORD has blessed.
- 10 ¶ I will rejoice greatly in the LORD, My soul will exult in my God; For He has clothed me with garments of salvation, He has wrapped me with a robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
- 11 For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, And as a garden causes the things sown in it to spring up, So the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise To spring up before all the nations.

Chapter 62

62:1 ¶ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, And for Jerusalem's sake I will not

keep quiet, Until her righteousness goes forth like brightness, And her salvation like a torch that is burning. 2 And the nations will see your righteousness, And all kings your glory; And you

will be called by a new name, Which the mouth of the LORD will designate. 3 You will also be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, And a royal

diadem in the hand of your God. 4 It will no longer be said to you, "Forsaken," Nor to your land will it any longer

be said, "Desolate"; But you will be called, "My delight is in her," And your land, "Married"; For the LORD delights in you, And to Him your land will be married.

- 5 For as a young man marries a virgin, So your sons will marry you; And as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, So your God will rejoice over you.
- 6 ¶ On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have appointed watchmen; All day and all night they will never keep silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest for yourselves; 7 And give Him no rest until He establishes And makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.
- 8 The LORD has sworn by His right hand and by His strong arm, "I will never again give your grain as food for your enemies; Nor will foreigners drink your new wine, for which you have labored."
- 9 But those who garner it will eat it, and praise the LORD; And those who gather it will drink it in the courts of My sanctuary.
- 10 ¶ Go through, go through the gates; Clear the way for the people; Build up, build up the highway; Remove the stones, lift up a standard over the peoples.
- 11 Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth, Say to the daughter of Zion, "Lo, your salvation comes; Behold His reward is with Him, and His recompense before Him."
- 12 And they will call them, "The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD"; And you will be called, "Sought out, a city not forsaken."

- **63:1** ¶ Who is this who comes from Edom, With garments of glowing colors from Bozrah, This One who is majestic in His apparel, Marching in the greatness of His strength? "It is I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save."
- 2 Why is Your apparel red, And Your garments like the one who treads in the wine press?
- 3 "I have trodden the wine trough alone, And from the peoples there was no man with Me. I also trod them in My anger, And trampled them in My wrath; And their lifeblood is sprinkled on My garments, And I stained all My raiment.
- 4 "For the day of vengeance was in My heart, And My year of redemption has come.
- 5 "And I looked, and there was no one to help, And I was astonished and there was no one to uphold; So My own arm brought salvation to Me; And My wrath upheld Me.

- 6 "And I trod down the peoples in My anger, And made them drunk in My wrath, And I poured out their lifeblood on the earth."
- 7 ¶ I shall make mention of the lovingkindnesses of the LORD, the praises of the LORD, According to all that the LORD has granted us, And the great goodness toward the house of Israel, Which He has granted them according to His compassion, And according to the multitude of His lovingkindnesses.
- 8 For He said, "Surely, they are My people, Sons who will not deal falsely." So He became their Savior.
- 9 In all their affliction He was afflicted, And the angel of His presence saved them; In His love and in His mercy He redeemed them; And He lifted them and carried them all the days of old.
- 10 But they rebelled And grieved His Holy Spirit; Therefore, He turned Himself to become their enemy, He fought against them.
- 11 Then His people remembered the days of old, of Moses. Where is He who brought them up out of the sea with the shepherds of His flock? Where is He who put His Holy Spirit in the midst of them,
- 12 Who caused His glorious arm to go at the right hand of Moses, Who divided the waters before them to make for Himself an everlasting name,
- 13 Who led them through the depths? Like the horse in the wilderness, they did not stumble;
- 14 As the cattle which go down into the valley, The Spirit of the LORD gave them rest. So didst Thou lead Thy people, To make for Thyself a glorious name.
- 15 ¶ Look down from heaven, and see from Thy holy and glorious habitation; Where are Thy zeal and Thy mighty deeds? The stirrings of Thy heart and Thy compassion are restrained toward me.
- 16 For Thou art our Father, though Abraham does not know us, And Israel does not recognize us. Thou, O LORD, art our Father, Our Redeemer from of old is Thy name.
- 17 Why, O LORD, dost Thou cause us to stray from Thy ways, And harden our heart from fearing Thee? Return for the sake of Thy servants, the tribes of Thy heritage.
- 18 Thy holy people possessed Thy sanctuary for a little while, Our adversaries have trodden it down.
- 19 We have become like those over whom Thou hast never ruled, Like those who were not called by Thy name.

- **64:1** ¶ Oh, that Thou wouldst rend the heavens and come down, That the mountains might quake at Thy presence--
- 2 As fire kindles the brushwood, as fire causes water to boil-- To make Thy name known to Thine adversaries, That the nations may tremble at Thy presence!

 3 When Thou didst awesome things which we did not expect, Thou didst come down, the mountains quaked at Thy presence.

- 4 For from of old they have not heard nor perceived by ear, Neither has the eye seen a God besides Thee, Who acts in behalf of the one who waits for Him.
- 5 Thou dost meet him who rejoices in doing righteousness, Who remembers Thee in Thy ways. Behold, Thou wast angry, for we sinned, We continued in them a long time; And shall we be saved?
- 6 ¶ For all of us have become like one who is unclean, And all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment; And all of us wither like a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
- 7 And there is no one who calls on Thy name, Who arouses himself to take hold of Thee; For Thou hast hidden Thy face from us, And hast delivered us into the power of our iniquities.
- 8 But now, O LORD, Thou art our Father, We are the clay, and Thou our potter; And all of us are the work of Thy hand.
- 9 Do not be angry beyond measure, O LORD, Neither remember iniquity forever; Behold, look now, all of us are Thy people.
- 10 Thy holy cities have become a wilderness, Zion has become a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation.
- 11 Our holy and beautiful house, Where our fathers praised Thee, Has been burned by fire; And all our precious things have become a ruin.
- 12 Wilt Thou restrain Thyself at these things, O LORD? Wilt Thou keep silent and afflict us beyond measure?

- 65:1 ¶ "I permitted Myself to be sought by those who did not ask for Me; I permitted Myself to be found by those who did not seek Me. I said, 'Here am I, here am I,' To a nation which did not call on My name.
- 2 "I have spread out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk in the way which is not good, following their own thoughts,
- 3 A people who continually provoke Me to My face, Offering sacrifices in gardens and burning incense on bricks;
- 4 Who sit among graves, and spend the night in secret places; Who eat swine's flesh, And the broth of unclean meat is in their pots.
- 5 "Who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, For I am holier than you!' These are smoke in My nostrils, A fire that burns all the day.
- 6 "Behold, it is written before Me, I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will even repay into their bosom,
- 7 Both their own iniquities and the iniquities of their fathers together," says the LORD. "Because they have burned incense on the mountains, And scorned Me on the hills, Therefore I will measure their former work into their bosom."
- 8 ¶ Thus says the LORD, "As the new wine is found in the cluster, And one says, 'Do not destroy it, for there is benefit in it,' So I will act on behalf of My servants In order not to destroy all of them.

- 9 "And I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, And an heir of My mountains from Judah; Even My chosen ones shall inherit it, And My servants shall dwell there.
- 10 "And Sharon shall be a pasture land for flocks, And the valley of Achor a resting place for herds, For My people who seek Me.
- 11 ¶ "But you who forsake the LORD, Who forget My holy mountain, Who set a table for Fortune, And who fill cups with mixed wine for Destiny,
- 12 I will destine you for the sword, And all of you shall bow down to the slaughter. Because I called, but you did not answer; I spoke, but you did not hear. And you did evil in My sight, And chose that in which I did not delight."
- 13 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, My servants shall eat, but you shall be hungry. Behold, My servants shall drink, but you shall be thirsty. Behold, My servants shall rejoice, but you shall be put to shame.
- 14 "Behold, My servants shall shout joyfully with a glad heart, But you shall cry out with a heavy heart, And you shall wail with a broken spirit.
- 15 "And you will leave your name for a curse to My chosen ones, And the Lord GOD will slay you. But My servants will be called by another name.
- 16 "Because he who is blessed in the earth Shall be blessed by the God of truth; And he who swears in the earth Shall swear by the God of truth; Because the former troubles are forgotten, And because they are hidden from My sight!
- 17 ¶ "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
- 18 "But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; For behold, I create Jerusalem for rejoicing, And her people for gladness.
- 19 "I will also rejoice in Jerusalem, and be glad in My people; And there will no longer be heard in her The voice of weeping and the sound of crying.
- 20 "No longer will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, Or an old man who does not live out his days; For the youth will die at the age of one hundred And the one who does not reach the age of one hundred Shall be thought accursed.
- 21 "And they shall build houses and inhabit them; They shall also plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- 22 "They shall not build, and another inhabit, They shall not plant, and another eat; For as the lifetime of a tree, so shall be the days of My people, And My chosen ones shall wear out the work of their hands.
- 23 "They shall not labor in vain, Or bear children for calamity; For they are the offspring of those blessed by the LORD, And their descendants with them.
- 24 "It will also come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear. 25 "The wolf and the lamb shall graze together, and the lion shall eat straw like
- the ox; and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall do no evil or harm in all My holy mountain," says the LORD.

- **66:1** ¶ Thus says the LORD, "Heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest?
- 2 "For My hand made all these things, Thus all these things came into being," declares the LORD. "But to this one I will look, To him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.
- 3 "But he who kills an ox is like one who slays a man; He who sacrifices a lamb is like the one who breaks a dog's neck; He who offers a grain offering is like one who offers swine's blood; He who burns incense is like the one who blesses an idol. As they have chosen their own ways, And their soul delights in their abominations, 4 So I will choose their punishments, And I will bring on them what they dread.
- 4 So I will choose their punishments, And I will bring on them what they dread. Because I called, but no one answered; I spoke, but they did not listen. And they did evil in My sight, And chose that in which I did not delight."
- 5 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, you who tremble at His word: "Your brothers who hate you, who exclude you for My name's sake, Have said, 'Let the LORD be glorified, that we may see your joy.' But they will be put to shame.
- 6 "A voice of uproar from the city, a voice from the temple, The voice of the LORD who is rendering recompense to His enemies.
- 7 "Before she travailed, she brought forth; Before her pain came, she gave birth to a boy.
- 8 "Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Can a land be born in one day? Can a nation be brought forth all at once? As soon as Zion travailed, she also brought forth her sons.
- 9 "Shall I bring to the point of birth, and not give delivery?" says the LORD. "Or shall I who gives delivery shut the womb?" says your God.
- 10 "Be joyful with Jerusalem and rejoice for her, all you who love her; Be Chap. 1 exceedingly glad with her, all you who mourn over her,
- 11 That you may nurse and be satisfied with her comforting breasts, That you may suck and be delighted with her bountiful bosom."
- 12 For thus says the LORD, "Behold, I extend peace to her like a river, And the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; And you shall be nursed, you shall be carried on the hip and fondled on the knees.
- 13 "As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; And you shall be comforted in Jerusalem."
- 14 Then you shall see this, and your heart shall be glad, And your bones shall flourish like the new grass; And the hand of the LORD shall be made known to His servants, But He shall be indignant toward His enemies.
- 15 ¶ For behold, the LORD will come in fire And His chariots like the whirlwind, To render His anger with fury, And His rebuke with flames of fire.
- 16 For the LORD will execute judgment by fire And by His sword on all flesh, And those slain by the LORD will be many.

- 17 "Those who sanctify and purify themselves to go to the gardens, Following one in the center, Who eat swine's flesh, detestable things, and mice, Shall come to an end altogether," declares the LORD.
- 18 "For I know their works and their thoughts; the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and see My glory.
- 19 "And I will set a sign among them and will send survivors from them to the nations: Tarshish, Put, Lud, Meshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant coastlands that have neither heard My fame nor seen My glory. And they will declare My glory among the nations.
- 20 "Then they shall bring all your brethren from all the nations as a grain offering to the LORD, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, and on camels, to My holy mountain Jerusalem," says the LORD, "just as the sons of Israel bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD.
- 21 "I will also take some of them for priests and for Levites," says the LORD.
- 22 "For just as the new heavens and the new earth Which I make will endure before Me," declares the LORD, "So your offspring and your name will endure.
- 23 "And it shall be from new moon to new moon And from sabbath to sabbath, All mankind will come to bow down before Me," says the LORD.
- 24 "Then they shall go forth and look On the corpses of the men Who have transgressed against Me. For their worm shall not die, And their fire shall not be quenched; And they shall be an abhorrence to all mankind."

- B. NT References (21x) where prophecy is directly attributed to Isaiah by referring to his name. Black text is NT NASV. Red text is OT NASV. Brown text is KJV NT. Green text is the OT Septuagint.
 - 1. Mt 3:3 For this is the one referred to by **Isaiah** the prophet, saying, "THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT!" Is. 40:3 A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. Context=JB. Mt. 3:3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Is. 40:3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight the paths of our God.
 - 2. Mt 4:14 his was to fulfill what was spoken through **Isaiah** the prophet, saying, 15 "THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LAND OF NAPHTALI, BY THE WAY OF THE SEA, BEYOND THE JORDAN, GALILEE OF THE GENTILES--16* "THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SITTING IN DARKNESS SAW A GREAT LIGHT. AND TO THOSE WHO WERE SITTING IN THE LAND AND SHADOW OF DEATH, UPON THEM A LIGHT DAWNED." Isa. 9:1 But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. 2 The people who walk in darkness Will see a great light; Those who live in a dark land, The light will shine on them. Context = JC going to Galilee to preach. Mt 4:14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,15 The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles:16* The people which sat in darkness saw great light: and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up. Is. 9:1 Drink this first. Act quickly, O land of Zabulon, land of Nephthalim, and the rest inhabiting the sea-coast, and the land beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles 2 O people walking in darkness, behold a great light: ye that dwell in the region and shadow of death, a light shall shine upon you.
 - 3. Mt 8:17 in order that what was spoken through **Isaiah** the prophet might be fulfilled, saying, "HE HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES, AND CARRIED AWAY OUR DISEASES." Isa. 53:4 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. Context=JC healing Peter's mother-in-law and then the demon possessed. Mt. 8:17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. Is. 53:4 He bears our sins, and is pained for us: yet we accounted him to be in trouble, and in suffering, and in affliction.
 - 4. Mt 12:17 in order that what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, might be fulfilled, saying, 18* "BEHOLD, MY SERVANT WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN; MY BELOVED IN WHOM MY SOUL is WELL-PLEASED; I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT UPON HIM, AND HE SHALL PROCLAIM JUSTICE TO THE GENTILES. 19* "HE WILL NOT QUARREL, NOR CRY OUT; NOR WILL ANYONE HEAR HIS VOICE IN THE STREETS. 20* "A BATTERED REED HE WILL NOT BREAK OFF, AND A SMOLDERING WICK HE WILL NOT PUT OUT, UNTIL HE LEADS JUSTICE TO VICTORY 21* "AND IN HIS NAME THE GENTILES WILL HOPE." Isa. 42:1

"Behold, My Servant, whom I uphold: My chosen one in whom My soul delights, I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations.2 "He will not cry out or raise His voice, Nor make His voice heard in the street.3 "A bruised reed He will not break, And a dimly burning wick He will not extinguish; He will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not be disheartened or crushed, Until He has established justice in the earth; And the coastlands will wait expectantly for His law." Context=JC fames spreads and He withdraws and tells his disciples not to make him known. Mt. 12:17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying 18* Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my spirit upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.19* He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets.20* A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory.21* And in his name shall the Gentiles trust. Is. 42:1 Jacob is my servant, I will help him: Israel is my chosen, my soul has accepted him; I have put my Spirit upon him; he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. 2 He shall not cry, nor lift up his voice, nor shall his voice be heard without. 3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench; but he shall bring forth judgment to truth. 4 He shall shine out, and shall not be discouraged, until he have set judgment on the earth: and in his name shall the Gentiles trust.

- 5. Mt 13:14 "And in their case the prophecy of **Isaiah** is being fulfilled, which says, 'YOU WILL KEEP ON HEARING, BUT WILL NOT UNDERSTAND; AND YOU WILL KEEP ON SEEING, BUT WILL NOT PERCEIVE; 15 FOR THE HEART OF THIS PEOPLE HAS BECOME DULL, AND WITH THEIR EARS THEY SCARCELY HEAR, AND THEY HAVE CLOSED THEIR EYES LEST THEY SHOULD SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND HEAR WITH THEIR EARS, AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART AND RETURN, AND I SHOULD HEAL THEM.' Isa. 6:9 And He said, "Go, and tell this people: 'Keep on listening, but do not perceive; Keep on looking, but do not understand.'10 "Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, And their eyes dim, Lest they see with their eyes. Hear with their ears, Understand with their hearts, And return and be healed." Context=Parable chapter, JC explanation of why He teaches in parables. Mt. 13:4 And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:15* For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eves they have closed: lest at any time they should see with their eves. and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. Is. 6:9 Ye shall hear indeed, but ye shall not understand; and ye shall see indeed, but ye shall not perceive. 10 For the heart of this people has become gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.
- 6. Mt 15:7 "You hypocrites, rightly did **Isaiah** prophesy of you, saying, 8* 'THIS PEOPLE HONORS ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR AWAY FROM ME. 9* 'BUT IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME, TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE PRECEPTS OF MEN." Isa. 29:13 Then the Lord said,

- "Because this people draw near with their words And honor Me with their lip service, But they remove their hearts far from Me, And their reverence for Me consists of tradition learned by rote, Context=JC rebuke of PS for making washing of hands doctrine. Mt. 15:7 Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,8* This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.9* But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. Is. 29:13 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight the paths of our God.
- 7. Mr 1:2 As it is written in **Isaiah** the prophet, "BEHOLD, I SEND MY MESSENGER BEFORE YOUR FACE, WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY; 3* THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT." Isa. 40:3 A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. Note: Mr. 1:2 not is Isa. but in Mal. 3:1 "Behold, I am going to send My messenger, and he will clear the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming," says the LORD of hosts. Context=JB preaching about JC. Mr. 1:2 As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. 3* The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Mal. 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts. Is. 40:3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight the paths of our God.
- 8. Mr 7:6 And He said to them, "Rightly did **Isaiah** prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, 'THIS PEOPLE HONORS ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR AWAY FROM ME. 7* 'BUT IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME, TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE PRECEPTS OF MEN.' Isa. 29:13 Then the Lord said, "Because this people draw near with their words And honor Me with their lip service, But they remove their hearts far from Me, And their reverence for Me consists of tradition learned by rote, Context=JC rebuke of PS for making washing of hands doctrine. Mr. 7:6 He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. 7* Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. Is. 29:13 And the Lord has said, This people draw nigh to me with their mouth, and they honour me with their lips, but their heart is far from me: but in vain do they worship me, teaching the commandments and doctrines of men.
- 9. Lu 3:4 as it is written in the book of the words of **Isaiah** the prophet, "THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT. 5 'EVERY RAVINE SHALL BE FILLED UP, AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL SHALL BE BROUGHT LOW; AND THE

CROOKED SHALL BECOME STRAIGHT. AND THE ROUGH ROADS SMOOTH: Isa. 40:3-5 ¶ A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. 4 "Let every valley be lifted up, And every mountain and hill be made low; And let the rough ground become a plain, And the rugged terrain a broad valley; 5 Then the glory of the LORD will be revealed, And all flesh will see it together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken." 6* AND ALL FLESH SHALL SEE THE SALVATION OF GOD." Context=JB preaching about JC. Lu. 3:4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. 5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth; Is. 40:3-5 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight the paths of our God. 4 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low: and all the crooked ways shall become straight, and the rough places plains. 5 And the glory of the Lord shall appear, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God: for the Lord has spoken it.

- 10. Lu 4:17 And the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. And He opened the book, and found the place where it was written, 18* "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE DOWNTRODDEN, 19* TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD." Isa. 61:1-2 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted. To proclaim liberty to captives, And freedom to prisoners; 2 To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, Context= JC enters synagogue, give book of Isaiah and he reads this part. Lu. 4:17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, 18* The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, 19* To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. Is. 61:1-2 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me; he has sent me to preach glad tidings to the poor, to heal the broken in heart, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind; 2 to declare the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of recompence; to comfort all that mourn;
- 11. Joh 1:23 He said, "I am A VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE STRAIGHT THE WAY OF THE LORD,' as **Isaiah** the prophet said." Isa. 40:3 A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. Context=JB testimony before priests about his mission. Are you the Christ? Joh. 1:23 He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as

- said the prophet Esaias. Is. 40:3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight the paths of our God.
- 12. Joh 12:38 that the word of **Isaiah** the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT? AND TO WHOM HAS THE ARM OF THE LORD BEEN REVEALED?" Isa. 53:1 Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? Context=Jews rejection of Christ. Joh 12:38 That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed? Is. 53:1 O Lord, who has believed our report? and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?
- 13. Joh 12:39 For this cause they could not believe, for **Isaiah** said again, 40 "HE HAS BLINDED THEIR EYES, AND HE HARDENED THEIR HEART; LEST THEY SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND PERCEIVE WITH THEIR HEART, AND BE CONVERTED, AND I HEAL THEM." Isa. 6:10 "Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, And their eyes dim, Lest they see with their eyes, Hear with their ears, Understand with their hearts, And return and be healed." Context= Jews rejection of Christ. Joh 12:39 Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again, 40* He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them. Is. 6:10 For the heart of this people has become gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.
- 14. Joh 12:41 These things **Isaiah** said, because he saw His glory, and he spoke of Him. Isa. 6:1ff In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple.

 Context=JC testimony about Isaiah on why he spoke about Lord. **Joh 12:41**These things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him. Is. 6:1ff And it came to pass in the year in which king Ozias died, that I saw the Lord sitting on a high and exalted throne, and the house was full of his glory.
- **15.** Ac 8:28 And he was returning and sitting in his chariot, and was reading the prophet Isaiah. And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go up and join this chariot." 30* And when Philip had run up, he heard him reading Isaiah the prophet, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading 31* And he said, "Well, how could I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. 32* Now the passage of Scripture which he was reading was this: "HE WAS LED AS A SHEEP TO SLAUGHTER; AND AS A LAMB BEFORE ITS SHEARER IS SILENT, SO HE DOES NOT OPEN HIS MOUTH. 33* "IN HUMILIATION HIS JUDGMENT WAS TAKEN AWAY; WHO SHALL RELATE HIS GENERATION? FOR HIS LIFE IS REMOVED FROM THE EARTH." Isa. 53:7-9 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth. 8 By oppression and judgment He was taken away; And as for His generation, who considered That He was cut off out of the land of the living, For the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due? 9 His grave was assigned with wicked men. Yet He was with a rich man in His death.

Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth. . Context=Ethiopian Eunuch reading Isaiah. Ac 8:28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet. 29* Then the Spirit said unto Philip. Go near, and join thyself to this chariot. 30* And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest? 31* And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him. 32* The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth: 33* In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth. Is. 53:7-9 And he, because of his affliction, opens not his mouth: he was led as a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before the shearer is dumb, so he opens not his mouth. 8 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken away from the earth: because of the iniquities of my people he was led to death. 9 And I will give the wicked for his burial, and the rich for his death; for he practised no iniquity, nor craft with his mouth.

- 16. Ac 28:25 And when they did not agree with one another, they began leaving after Paul had spoken one parting word, "The Holy Spirit rightly spoke through Isaiah the prophet to your fathers, 26* saying, 'GO TO THIS PEOPLE AND SAY, "YOU WILL KEEP ON HEARING, BUT WILL NOT UNDERSTAND; AND YOU WILL KEEP ON SEEING, BUT WILL NOT PERCEIVE; 27* FOR THE HEART OF THIS PEOPLE HAS BECOME DULL, AND WITH THEIR EARS THEY SCARCELY HEAR, AND THEY HAVE CLOSED THEIR EYES; LEST THEY SHOULD SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND HEAR WITH THEIR EARS, AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART AND RETURN, AND I SHOULD HEAL THEM." Isa. 6:9-10 And He said, "Go, and tell this people: 'Keep on listening, but do not perceive; Keep on looking, but do not understand.' 10 "Render the hearts of this people insensitive, Their ears dull, And their eyes dim, Lest they see with their eyes, Hear with their ears. Understand with their hearts. And return and be healed.". Context=Paul preached to the Jews in Rome but some did not believe. Ac 28:25 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word. Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers, 26* Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ve shall see, and not perceive: 27* For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. Is. 6:9-10 Ye shall hear indeed, but ye shall not understand; and ye shall see indeed, but ye shall not perceive. 10 For the heart of this people has become gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.
- 17. Ro 9:27 And Isaiah cries out concerning Israel, "THOUGH THE NUMBER OF THE SONS OF ISRAEL BE AS THE SAND OF THE SEA, IT IS THE REMNANT THAT WILL BE SAVED; 28* FOR THE LORD WILL EXECUTE HIS WORD

- UPON THE EARTH, THOROUGHLY AND QUICKLY." Isa 10:22-23: For though your people, O Israel, may be like the sand of the sea, Only a remnant within them will return; A destruction is determined, overflowing with righteousness. 23 For a complete destruction, one that is decreed, the Lord GOD of hosts will execute in the midst of the whole land. . Context=Paul stating God is just in rejecting the Jews and has the prerogative. Ro 9:27 Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved: 28* For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth. Is. 10:22-23 And though the people of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant of them shall be saved. 23 He will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because the Lord will make a short work in all the world.
- 18. Ro 9:29 And just as **Isaiah** foretold, "EXCEPT THE LORD OF SABAOTH HAD LEFT TO US A POSTERITY, WE WOULD HAVE BECOME AS SODOM, AND WOULD HAVE RESEMBLED GOMORRAH." Isa. 1:9 Unless the LORD of hosts Had left us a few survivors, We would be like Sodom, We would be like Gomorrah. Context=Paul stating God is just in rejecting the Jews and has the prerogative. Ro 9:29 And as Esaias said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha. Is. 1:9 And if the Lord of Sabaoth had not left us a seed, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been made like Gomorrha.
- 19. Ro 10:16 However, they did not all heed the glad tidings; for **Isaiah** says, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?" Isa. 53:1 Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? Context=why Israel was rejected because did not believe and obey God's commands. Ro. 10:16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? Is. 53:1 O Lord, who has believed our report? and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?
- 20. Ro 10:20 And Isaiah is very bold and says, "I WAS FOUND BY THOSE WHO SOUGHT ME NOT, I BECAME MANIFEST TO THOSE WHO DID NOT ASK FOR ME." But as for Israel He says, "ALL THE DAY LONG I HAVE STRETCHED OUT MY HANDS TO A DISOBEDIENT AND OBSTINATE PEOPLE." Isa. 65:1-2 I permitted Myself to be sought by those who did not ask for Me; I permitted Myself to be found by those who did not seek Me. I said, 'Here am I, here am I,' To a nation which did not call on My name. 2 "I have spread out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk in the way which is not good, following their own thoughts, Context=why Israel was rejected because did not believe and obey God's commands. Ro 10:20 But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me. 21* But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people. Is. 65:1-2 I became manifest to them that asked not for me; I was found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold, I am here, to a nation, who called not on my name. 2 I have stretched forth my hands all

- day to a disobedient and gainsaying people, to them that walked in a way that was not good, but after their sins.
- 21. Ro 15:12 And again **Isaiah** says, "THERE SHALL COME THE ROOT OF JESSE, AND HE WHO ARISES TO RULE OVER THE GENTILES, IN HIM SHALL THE GENTILES HOPE." Isa. 11:10 Then it will come about in that day That the nations will resort to the root of Jesse, Who will stand as a signal for the peoples; And His resting place will be glorious. Context=special appeal to the example of Christ. Ro 15:12 And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust. Is. 11:10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall arise to rule over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust, and his rest shall be glorious.

Review

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Review

1. What are 3 reasons to study Isaiah? Provide the Scriptures.	
2. List 10 characteristics of the book.	
3. What are 7 keys in interpreting Isaiah?	
4. What are the 3 type of parallelisms? Define each.	
5. What is meant by prophetic perfect?	
6. What does the word "Isaiah" mean?	
7. Describe Isaiah's family background. Who was his dad? What do we know about his will How many children? What were they named and the significance of their names?	fe?
8. To whom was the letter primarily written to? Who were the secondary recipients?	

10.	When was the book written?
11.	Who were the contemporary prophets with Isaiah?
12.	Where was the book written from?
13.	Why was the book written? Provide 4 reasons.
14.	What is the theme of the book?
15.	What is a simple 2-point outline of the book?
16.	What is the 6-point outline of the book?
	Identify the chapter(s) where these key events occur. 1. Isaiah's Call 2. Oracles against Certain Nations 3. Lord Saves Jerusalem from Assyria 4. Four Messianic "Servant" Psalms Which of the 6-point outline is most of the characteristics of God found in Isaiah?
10.	Which of the 6-point outline is most of the characteristics of God found in Isaiah?

9. During the reigns of what 4 Judean Kings was the book written about?

19. Other than "Lord", there are 3 phrases used to describe God in the book. What are they which one is known as "Isaiah's prophetic stamp".
20. How times in the NT is prophecy directly attributed to Isaiah by referring to his name?
21. How many prophecies of Isaiah are there in the NT?
22. Out of the all the prophecies of Isaiah in the NT what are the two main focus areas?
23. What passage in Isaiah was the Ethiopian Eunuch reading from?
24. What is the meaning of the word "Servant" as used in Isaiah?
25. There are 8 different "servants" in Isaiah. Name them.
26. What is the literal physical meaning of Zion? What is the spiritual meaning?
27. What is the meaning the "Mountain of the House of the Lord"?

28. What does "New Heavens and A New Earth" mean in Isaiah?
29. Was Uzziah a righteous king?
30. List several iniquities done by King Ahaz?
31. What Assyrian King came to Jerusalem to destroy it during Hezekiah's reign? Was the siege successful and what happened?
32. In Chapter 1, how does Isaiah describe Judah as a result of their iniquities?
33. In 1:3, how does Israel not know the Lord?
34. Why would the Lord not accept their worship service in 1:10-15?
35. In what way did Isaiah say, "Come now, and let us reasons together"?
36. Who will execute judgment on God's on His adversaries/foes in Chapter 1? Use words from the text.

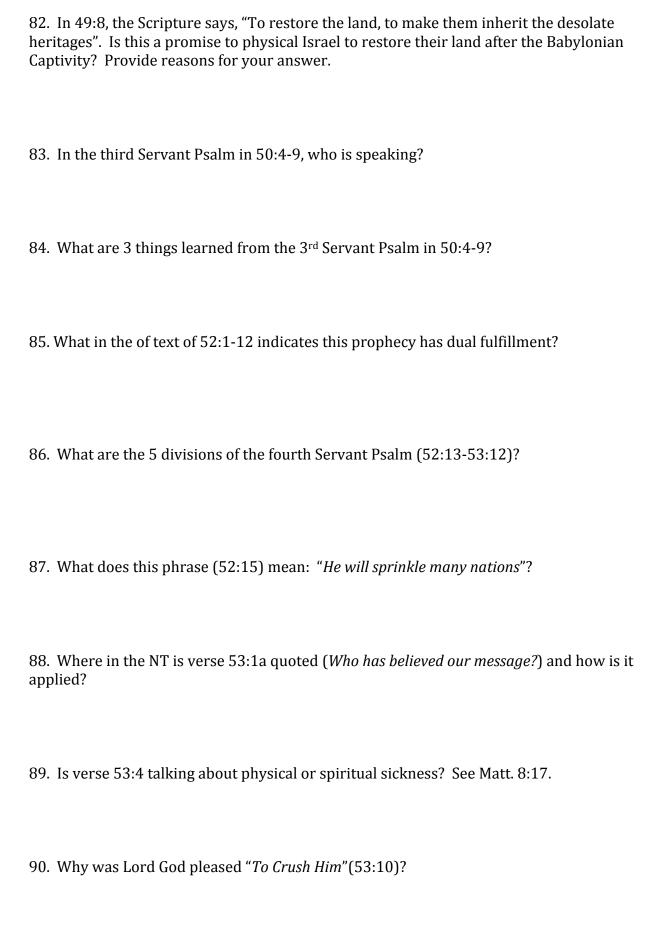
37. In Chapter 2, when will the "Mountain of the Lord will be established"? Use Scripture to interpret when this will occur?
38. In 2:3, what two other terms are used for the "Mountain of the Lord"?
39. In chapters 2 and 3, Isaiah condemns four different attitudes/practices. What are they?
40. Isaiah uses two pictures to describe God's relationship to Zion. See 5:1, 54:5-6. What are they?
41. What are the six woes pronounced in 5:8-23?
42. What is the event and the date when Isaiah saw the heavenly vision and received his call to prophetic work?
43. In chapter 6, Isaiah utters a phrase to Jehovah about his willingness to go to work. What is the phrase?
44. In the days of Ahaz, an assault came upon Judah and Jerusalem. Who were they and what did Lord say about their assault (Chap. 7)?
45. Due to sins of Ahaz and the nation, Assyria would assault Judah. How does Isaiah figuratively describe them being summoned by the Lord?

46. What was the purpose of Isaiah writing on a table the words: "Swift is the booty, speedy is the prey"?
47. Who should Judah really fear? Write the verse.
48. In 9:6, there are 6 descriptive phrases of Immanuel used in ASV/KJV. What are they?
49. How can the Messiah be called eternal Father?
50. What would the Christ's kingdom be established on?
51. Who is the Lord's "Rod of My Anger"?
52. Why did the Lord bring judgment against Assyria? Use actual words from the text (Chap. 10).
53. In Chapter 10, there is an Messianic Prophecy which has dual fulfillment. What is it and was verse in NT is this verse quoted?
$54.$ Chapters $11\ \&\ 12$ discuss the Messiah and His Rule. This section is divided into 5 sections. What are they?

	Read 11:6-9. What is figurative picture being drawn by Isaiah? Where will this picture e place?
56.	What clothing does the "Branch" wear?
57.	In Chapters 13-28, there are judgments on 9 nations. What are they?
58.	What is an oracle?
59.	Who was to execute judgment against Babylon, list the verse?
60.	What issue does Isaiah highlight that was a problem with Moab (Chap. 16)?
61.	Why is Ephraim (Israel) mentioned in the judgment on Damascus?
62.	How is Isaiah impact by the oracle on Babylon in Chapter 21?
63.	Who is the valley of vision in Chapter 22:1? Cite Scripture.

64. What was Tyre (Chap. 23) noted for and why the judgment against them?
65. What nations are judgments pronounced in Chap. 24-27?
66. What is the everlasting covenant mentioned in 24:5?
67. Six woes are pronounced against certain groups of people in chapters 28 -33. Who are they?
68. Why was the leaders of Jerusalem scorned by the Lord in 28:9-22?
69. Chapters 34 and 35 form a unit and a contrast is made? What is the contrast?
70. What is the Highway to Holiness in 35:8?
71. In Chap. 40:1-2, who is Isaiah comforting?
72. How do we know that Isaiah wrote the second half of this book since it deals with events beyond his death, i.e. Babylonian Captivity?

73. Why does Isaiah discuss in detail the incomparable greatness of the Lord (40:12-31) right after issuing words of comfort in vs. 1-2?
74. In discussing the Lord vs. idols, what kind of scene does Isaiah create (Chap. 41)?
75. What are the 5 things we learn from the first Servant Song in 42:1-9?
76. In Chapter 43, what is Israel declared to be by the Lord?
77. In Chapters 44 and 45, what is Cyrus called by the Lord?
78. How many times has entire chapters been devoted to judgments on Babylon? List them.
79. Is the second Servant Psalm, who is speaking?
80. Who is My Servant, Israel?
81. In 49:6 the Servant was to be a "light of nations". Where is this quoted in the New Testament? What does it mean?



91. What is going to happen to Zion in Chapter 54 and why?
92. In 55:3, what is the everlasting covenant being referred to?
93. Why would someone who seeks the Lord not find Him according to 55:6-7?
94. In Chapter 58, Isaiah "switches gears" from talking about the Servant and the glory of future Zion. What is his focus now?
95. Fill in the blanks by memory. Behold, the LORD'S hand is not so That it cannot; Neither is His ear so That it cannot But your have made a between you and your God, And your have hidden His face from, so that He does no
96. What is Isaiah doing in 59:12-13?
97. What is Chapter 60 about?
98. In 63:10-19, what are the people doing?
99. What does the Lord say in 65:8-12?

100. What is the most important lesson you learned or benefit received from the study of

Isaiah?