

Isaiah 26-27 Notes

Precept study on Isaiah Part 1, Lesson 10

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1 Review

- Isaiah 1-5: God judges His people. Call to repentance. Promise of future restoration.
- Isaiah 6: Isaiah before God's throne
- Isaiah 7-9: Fear God, not man.
- Isaiah 9-10: Judgement on Israel and Assyria. Promise of restoration.
- Isaiah 11-12: The Branch, His anger turns away.
- Isaiah 13-23: Oracles concerning Babylon, Philistia, Moab, Damascus, Cush, Egypt, Wilderness of the Sea, Edom, Arabia, Valley of Vision, Tyre and Sidon.
- Isaiah 24: the destruction of the whole earth
 - Isaiah 24:1-6: The everlasting covenant broken
 - Isaiah 24:7-13: Joy turns to gloom
 - Isaiah 24:14-16a: the people glorify the LORD
 - Isaiah 24:17-23: punishment of kings on earth and host of heaven
- Isaiah 25: Praise to the LORD; He swallows up death for all time!
 - Isaiah 25:1-5: Isaiah's praise, for God's plan
 - Isaiah 25:6-9: Wipe away all tears; destroy death

2 Isaiah 26: The righteous contrasted with the wicked

2.1 What does the LORD do in Isaiah 26?

- sets up walls (v1)
- keeps us in peach (v3)
- brought low the high (v5)
- judges (v9)
- lifts His hands (v11), zeal (v11)
- establishes peace (v12)
- **You have also performed all our works** (v12)
- rules (v13)
- punishes and destroys the wicked (v14), and the nation (v15)
- chastens the righteous (v16)
- brings life (v19)
- comes! (v21)

2.2 Contrast the righteous and the wicked

Righteous	Wicked
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• enters the city (v2)• in peace (v3, v12)• way is smooth (v7)• trusts Him (v4)• waits for Him (v8)• longs for Him (v9)• seeks Him (v9)• confesses (v13)• prays (v16)• helpless (v18)• dead will live (v19)• shouts for joy (v19)• hides and waits (v20)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• trampled (v5,6)• doesn't learn righteousness (v10), even when shown favor or punished• dead will not live (v14)• judges for iniquity (v21)• LORD wipes out remembrance of them

2.3 Compare with Daniel and Revelation

- Those who sleep in the dust will awake, some to eternal life, others to disgrace.

2.4 Common themes in Isaiah 26 and prior parts of Isaiah

(Isaiah 26 in bold).

- 24:10 city desolate; **and 26:2: city strong**
- 25:12 Moab brought low; **and 26:5**
- 8:16, 25:9 we wait for Him; **and 26:8**
- fire and burning (many references: 1:3, 4:4, 5:24-25, 6:13, 9:18-19, 10:16-17, 13:8-9, 13:13, 27:4) **and compare with 26:11.**
- 13:8 writhing like woman in labor; **and 26:18**
- 25:8 swallows up death; **and 26:19 Your dead shall live**

3 Isaiah 27: Let him make peace with Me

3.1 What does the LORD do in Isaiah 27?

- 27:1: punishes the serpent
- 27:2-6: waters/guards His vine, no wrath against it. destroys enemies or makes peace with them.
- 27:7-11: strikes Jacob, so that they destroy their own idols; heals them. no compassion on those without discernment
- 27:12-13: gathers the exiles and brings them to Jerusalem

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(Isaiah 27 in bold).

- Striking and healing: for the righteous
 - 1:15: LORD hides His eyes, does not listen; “come now, let us reason together”
 - 1:25-26: LORD turns His hand against Israel; removes alloy; then restored as at first
 - 4:4: LORD washes away the filth, by judgement and burning; all who remain called holy
 - 5:13: My people go into exile for lack of knowledge; **27:12-13: the LORD gathers the exiles**
 - 6: How long O LORD? Until cities devastated; yet a tenth remains
 - 12: Your anger is turned away; He has become my salvation
 - 19:22-25 Egypt, the LORD striking but healing. Blessed is Egypt My people, Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel My inheritance.
 - 24: earth laid waste; therefore glorify the LORD
 - 25: city made into a heap; therefore ruthless nations revere You.
 - **27:9: when the earth experiences judgment, inhabitants learn righteousness**
- Striking and but no healing: for the wicked
 - What happens when the wicked are struck? Are they healed?
 - See Isaiah 9-10: His anger does not turn away.
 - See 9:13: “Yet the people do not turn back to Him who struck them”
 - **27:10-11: though the wicked shown favor, or punished, they do not see it. The dead do not live.**
- The vineyard:
 - 5: song of the vineyard, produced worthless grapes, bad fruit
 - 24:7,9: no joy in the wine
 - 10:17: briars and thorns of Israel burned
 - contrast with **27:2-26: the LORD restores His vineyard**
 - **27:4: briars and thorns burned, or at peace**
 - **27:6: fill the world with fruit**
- Idols destroyed:
 - 2:18,20: idols will vanish, cast away to the moles and bats
 - 17:8: no regard for their idols
 - **and 27:9: idols ground to powder**