ISAIAH –Lesson 66

Learn: Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. Isaiah 59:1, 2

Read: Isaiah 59:1-21

- 1. This chapter is a review of the transgressions of the children of Israel. The people were separated from God. What 2 phrases told them that the separation was not due to God's incapability? v 1
- 2. What was the reason for their separation from God? v 2
- 3. This passage is speaking specifically to Israel, but the principle is the same for everyone. Use your concordance to find another verse that teaches this same principle—God will not hear the prayers of sinners (unless it is a prayer of repentance).
- 4. In contrast, whose prayers will the Lord hear and answer? James 5:16
- 5. Verses 3-8 list the iniquities that separated these people from their God. What were their actions?

Describe their speech.

What was their attitude?

What was missing in their lives?

 6. What condition did their iniquities cause in their lives? vv 9, 10 Also see John 1:4, 5; John 3:19-20

- Verse 11 says that they are looking for salvation (deliverance) but cannot find it. Yet over and over again the Lord promises salvation, so what is the problem? Isaiah 45:21-23
- 8. What were their very actions that justified God's chastising hand? v 12 Also see Psalm 51:3, 4.
- 9. Though they treated others wickedly, what was the reason that they had acted in this way? v 13
- 10. WHERE did the wickedness start? v 13 Also see Jeremiah 17:9, and Matthew 15:18-20.
- 11. What is the sad result of a nation full of people who have turned their hearts away from God? v 14
- 12. In such a culture what will happen to anyone that continues in truth? v 15
- 13. What is God's response towards those who know the truth but turn away from it? v 15
- 14. What does verse 16 say God "wondered" or was appalled about?
- 15. What was God's solution to this dilemma? v 16

Use Psalm 98:1 and Isaiah 63:5, 6 to explain what is meant.

- 16. As He goes to gain victory over the wicked, how does the Lord describe Himself? v 17
- 17. What will He accomplish as He goes forth? v 18
- 18. What will be the end result of the Lord's defeat of the wicked? v 19a
- 19. What is the hope that we have when we see the wicked rising? v 19b

I John 4:4

- 20. What is necessary in order to participate in the Lord's victory? v 20
- 21. Verse 20 speaks of the coming of the Redeemer. Explain the comings.
 1st Coming: Zechariah 9:9

Galatians 4:4, 5

I Corinthians 15:1-4

2nd Coming: Zechariah 14:1-4 Zechariah 13:8, 9

Romans 11:25-27

22. God makes a covenant with Israel in verse 21, what is the covenant?

From Jeremiah 31:31-40 give explanation of the covenant.

23. What is the covenant conditioned upon? Explain.

24. What is the covenant not conditioned upon? Why?