ISAIAH – Lesson 73

Learn: So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. but I say, Have they not heard? Yes, verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. Romans 10:17-18

Read: Isaiah 65:1-16

1. What people is the LORD speaking to in verse 1?

Also see Romans 10:13-21.

- 2. Explain how John 10:14-16 refers to the people of verse 1.
- 3. Who is God speaking to in verse 2?

See also Isaiah 43:1-7

4. How is the rebellion that brought the LORD'S anger against Israel described? v 2

v 3

5. Why did burning incense on altars of brick provoke the LORD? Exodus 20:25; Deuteronomy 27:5, 6

v 4

6. What is "remaining among the graves and monuments" speaking of? Deuteronomy 18:11

Isaiah 8:19-20

- 7. Why shouldn't the Israelites eat swine's flesh? Leviticus 11:7-8
- 8. What are the abominable "things"? Leviticus 11:41-47

v 5

- 9. Explain the meaning of the phrase "I am holier than thou" using Proverbs 16:18.
- 10. Tie the end of verse 5 to God's decision of verse 6.
- 11. The children of Israel had adapted to the culture of the people around them. How does God view such adaptation? v 7
- 12. In spite of the fact that most of the nation were under judgment for their sin, what is the LORD'S promise in verse 8?
- 13. What inheritance does God promise to his elect (his people that have sought him)? vv 9, 10

NOTE: Sharon is the fertile valley stretching from the Carmel mountains in the north, down to Yaffa (Tel Aviv) in the south. The valley of Achor runs from the lower regions of the river Jordan to the plains of Jericho in the south. The prophet, therefore, is predicting that Israel's remnant shall again inhabit their land from north to south.

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14. What are the majority of the people of Israel like? v 11

NOTE: in verse 11c the words "that troop" is a Hebrew word for a Canaanite god that we would call "Fortune."

It was like the lottery or good luck charms. The word "that number" are from a word indicating "destiny" – then the opening words of v 12 are a play on it when God says "Therefore will I number (destine) you.

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15. What will God destine those who forsake him to? v 12a

Why? v 12b

16. Make two columns that show the contrast between those who love God and those who forsake him using verses 13, 14.

- 17. How will the ungodly be remembered in the future? v 15
- 18. What name will the LORD give his servants? v 15c
- 19. How will the name of the godly be used? v 16a
- 20. How will things be different for the seed of Jacob? v 16c

- 21. What will bring about this difference? v 16b
- 22. What is the assurance that all that God has promised will come to pass? II Corinthians 1:20