

ISAIAH – Lesson 76 (the last one)

Learn: For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is a gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:8-10

Read: Read Isaiah 66:10-24

1. Who is going to rejoice with Jerusalem? v 10; Deuteronomy 32:43; Romans 15:10
2. What emotions had those who love Jerusalem experienced in the past and why?
v 10

Lamentations 1:1-5

Zechariah 12:1-3
3. What are the mourners and lovers of Jerusalem compared to? v 11
4. In the past Jerusalem has suffered endless ravages of war, what will her new state be?
v 12
5. What is the glory of the Gentiles that shall flow into Jerusalem? Isaiah 60:1-7
6. Verses 11 and 12 picture the comfort of God to Jerusalem as the comfort of plenty of milk and love given to a hungry, rejected infant. What is the comfort of God pictured as in verse 13?
7. What is described as causing the rejoicing of verse 14? Isaiah 33:20-22

NOTE: “The bones” in the Old testament usage represent the whole physical structure of man, his body, and well-being which are affected by joy and sorrow. – Victor Buksbazen

8. What do the following verses tell us about the “bones?”

Psalm 35:10

Psalm 51:8;

Isaiah 58:11

9. According to verse 14, how shall the LORD manifest himself towards:

His servants-

His enemies-

10. How are the judgments of the LORD towards his enemies described? vv 15, 16

11. Which sinners are especially described? Who are they? v 17

12. What is the basis of God’s judgment against these people?

v 18

Also see Genesis 6:5

Leviticus 11:4-31

Isaiah 65:4

13. How will God finally convince these people that Jehovah alone is their God? v 19a

14. What will be the task of the faithful remnant of Israel? v 19

NOTE; The nations mentioned are: Tarshish, at the extreme western end of the Mediterranean, presumably Spain; Pul and Lud are North African tribes mentioned by

Ezekiel (27:10 and 30:5). They were warriors renowned for their prowess with bows. These African tribes were closely associated with the Egyptians. Javan is the ancient name of Greece (Ionia). Tubal and Meshech are mentioned in Ezekiel 32:26, 38:2, 3 and 39:1. These tribes lived in the area south of the Black Sea. "The far islands who have not heard of my name" refers to all the nations around the east and the north coasts of the Mediterranean and beyond.- Victor Buksbazen

15. Who are the "brethren" spoken of in verse 20 that are to be brought home?
See Zephaniah 3:10 for help.

16. What two groups of people are brought together into one? vv 19b, 20

17. How is this same idea of the two made into one explained in Ephesians 2:10-16?

18. What does John 10:14-16 say about the two peoples made into one people?

19. What impression does the description of all the different means of transportation to bring the Jews back to Israel convey? v 20

20. What is different about who can serve in spiritual ministry in this new economy?
vv 20, 21

21. How long will the new heavens and the earth that God will make endure? v 22
Hebrews 12:26, 27; Revelation 22:1-5

22. How does God use the eternity of the new heavens and new earth to explain the

eternal blessing of those who are faithful to him? v 22

23. In the past only the descendants of Abraham appeared before God to worship at the appointed times. Who will now appear for these appointed times of worship? v 23
Refer again to verses 19-21.

24. As the pilgrims from distant lands come to Zion to worship, what will they encounter? v 24 Refer back to verses 15, 16 for help.

NOTE: Isaiah probably had in mind the valley of Hinnom in Jerusalem, where human sacrifices were offered to pagan gods, and in later times refuse was cast away, and the bodies of unclaimed, or unknown criminals were disposed of. All this was in time decomposed by worms or burned by fire (see II Chronicles 28:3; Jeremiah 7:32; Nehemiah 11:30). This location gave rise to the rabbinical tradition of Gehinnom, which means the “valley of Hinnom” or “Gehenna.” See Mark 9:43-48.

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25. What will the sight of the decomposing bodies of rebels against the LORD be? v 24