

## The Book of Isaiah

### Trusting God More #10

Some of the outlines are taken from Melissa Spoelstra's book, *Isaiah: Striving Less and Trusting More*.

*Review of the previous Lesson: The judgement of the Nations. We discussed prophecy being fulfilled and the lessons we learn when God is disciplining others right in front of us.*

Objective: To understand following God isn't about striving; it's about trusting God more.

Opening Discussion: What do YOU mean when you say, "O Lord, You are my God?"

- How has God revealed Himself to you?

Today, we will hear the worshipper give praises again unto God.

*Praising God for what He has done! The Worshipper returns!*

Read Isaiah 25:1-3

Isaiah speaks of those who have come to trust God after God's judgement. This shows the kind of heart that praises God in the midst of tribulation and, as in this case, in the midst of the Great Tribulation (Remember this is prophecy)!

### **O Lord, You are my God!**

The worshipper speaks to his personal relationship with the Lord. How does this speak the renouncement of idolatry?

### **I will exalt You, I will praise your name.**

The worshipper makes a decision to praise God (I will).

Discussion:

- How do you feel about worship being a decision?
- Have you ever made the decision to worship God DESPITE your circumstances?

Read Psalm 34:1 KJV, now try the Message.

Where was David? What was going on?

Why worship God? For You have done wonderful things....Think for a moment about all the wonderful things He has done. When you consider the wonderful things, it should be easy

to make the decision to worship the Lord. This creates worship be filled with thought and remembrance and not just emotional responses.

**Your counsel of old are faithful and truth.**  
**The worshipper reflects on God's Word.**  
**His Word is reliable and His Word is everlasting.**

In verses 2-3 the worshipper reflects. How often do you reflect?

Think for a moment about Sodom and Gomorrah! Can we worship God for His judgement? How? Why should we?

Discuss: What the people did when they saw how God rendered His judgement and how they glorified God? These are the effects of the judgement of God.

What did He mean when he said, "The city of the terrible nations will fear you?"

In 2024, when the people of God see the power of God manifested; how does this glorify God?

Read 4-5. What did God do to the weak and the poor?  
God is worthy of praise because of what He did to the poor (strength to the needy).

God has been a refuge in the storm. Read Psalm 46:1  
What does it mean to be a refuge?  
Is this a reason to praise God?

*Praising God for what He will do!*

Read Hebrews 11:1 and Hebrews 11:6.  
Listen to the Lord "will make..." Discussion: How do you feel about giving God praise for what He will do?

The feast aligns with Revelation 19:9. "...For the people of God this will be a "victory banquet."

Jesus looks forward to the banquet in Matthew 26:29.

The Destruction of Evil

Read 7-8. The testimony of God's People- Read 10-12

Take home?