

## The Book of Isaiah

### Trusting God More #37

Memory Verse: Isaiah 40:1 KJV, Comfort ye, Comfort ye my people, saith the Lord."

Review: Isaiah chapter 61 & 62.

### Chapter 63

Judgement is coming! How does having read verse 1 provide us with more information about the judgement of Jesus? Is His judgement executed in righteousness? Why?

Discuss the blood on His garment in verse 2? What was the winepress? Is there any correlation to the metaphorical winepress? What does it mean that "He has trodden it alone?" Read Rev 19:15 which closely resembles this passage.

- Did Jesus go through the winepress for sinners the first time?
- Now, those who refuse to accept His salvation must go through the winepress.
- Please note that it is "their blood and not His blood."

This section links with Revelation 14:15-20 where we have the vintage and the wine of the earth fully ripe and cast into the winepress of the WRATH of God. This time would be different. The picture represented here represents God putting into the winepress all the enemies of Israel who have sought to destroy His chosen people. They looked for someone to tread the winepress. There was no one, so Jesus alone treads the winepress.

Verse 4 speaks of the judgement of the earth when Jesus returns. It is defined as "the day of vengeance."

Discuss: Salvation and judgement all His solo work!

Verse 6 represents the end of man's day.

Beginning with verse 7, the entire content and intent of the chapter changes abruptly. The conversation changes to the glory of God. See Exodus 15:11. God exhibits loving kindness. He is also a God of mercy. If these attributes were not evident, we would all be consumed.

Verse 8. God had hopes for His people, but they disappointed Him. Does He not expect us to walk well-pleasing to Him?

Listen and look at verse 9. How tender are these words.

In verses 10 and 11. This refers directly to Israel, but it is a picture of the entire human family. The reference here is to the Holy Spirit.

In verses 12 and 13, God looks back in history to their deliverance out of Egypt. In verse 14, He continues that history.

In verse 15, the prophet and the people plead with God to look upon their great need and their desire.

Read verses 16 and 17. This represents a pleading prayer on the part of Isaiah and the people.

In verse 18, the enemies had trodden down God's sanctuary but they, in return, will be trodden down. They surrendered completely to God. Do you think this should be the attitude of Christian's today...completing yielding the will o God and the Father through His Son, Jesus.

## **Chapter 64**

This chapter represents a prayer of the remnant of God's people. The people are pleading for the presence of God in their lives with hungry hearts.

Read Revelation 22:20.

In verse 1, the prophet is a representative of the remnant of Israel in a future. He is pleading with the heart, welling up with emotion for God to break through the iron curtain of space and come down. The prophet wants God on the scene.

Read verse 2. What would the presence of God make the nations do?

What would the very mountains do in verse 3? What would the enemies cry out for the mountains to do?

Read verse 4. It is interesting that Paul expresses the same thought in 1 Cor 2:9. The acknowledgement of sins begins in verse 5. While at the same time, there is confidence in the redemption of the Savior.

Verse 6 is a familiar verse because of extensive use of it establishing the fact that man has no righteousness. This is not only true for Israel, but also for the entire world.

Read verse 7 carefully. Did Israel think God had turned His face from them because of their sins and transgressions?

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