

Holy Trinity Bible Study - Isaiah Lesson #3

Primary Sources:

Webb - The Message of Isaiah, Barry G. Webb

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The Day of the Lord (2:6–22)

Chapter 2

- 6 For you have rejected your people,
the house of Jacob,
because they are full of things from the east
and of fortune-tellers like the Philistines,
and they strike hands with the children of foreigners.
- 7 Their land is filled with silver and gold,
and there is no end to their treasures;
their land is filled with horses,
and there is no end to their chariots.
- 8 Their land is filled with idols;
they bow down to the work of their hands,
to what their own fingers have made.
- 9 So man is humbled,
and each one is brought low—
do not forgive them!
- 10 Enter into the rock
and hide in the dust
from before the terror of the Lord,
and from the splendor of his majesty.
- 11 The haughty looks of man shall be brought low,
and the lofty pride of men shall be humbled,
and the Lord alone will be exalted in that day.
- 12 For the Lord of hosts has a day
against all that is proud and lofty,
against all that is lifted up—and it shall be brought low;
- 13 against all the cedars of Lebanon,
lofty and lifted up;
and against all the oaks of Bashan;
- 14 against all the lofty mountains,
and against all the uplifted hills;
- 15 against every high tower,
and against every fortified wall;

16 against all the ships of Tarshish,
and against all the beautiful craft.
17 And the haughtiness of man shall be humbled,
and the lofty pride of men shall be brought low,
and the Lord alone will be exalted in that day.
18 And the idols shall utterly pass away.
19 And people shall enter the caves of the rocks
and the holes of the ground,
from before the terror of the Lord,
and from the splendor of his majesty,
when he rises to terrify the earth.

20 In that day mankind will cast away
their idols of silver and their idols of gold,
which they made for themselves to worship,
to the moles and to the bats,
21 to enter the caverns of the rocks
and the clefts of the cliffs,
from before the terror of the Lord,
and from the splendor of his majesty,
when he rises to terrify the earth.

22 Stop regarding man
in whose nostrils is breath,
for of what account is he?

Reading: **The Message of Isaiah pages 46-48**

Questions to Consider

1. What is the focus of the remainder of chapter 2?
2. What is the reason for God's unresponsiveness? (6a)
3. What is the judgment on Zion? (6-8)
4. In what have the people of Judah put their faith? (7)
5. Do the people of Judah deserve forgiveness? (9b)
6. Do we deserve forgiveness?
7. What is at the heart of Judah's problem? (11)
8. What is the ultimate outcome of pride?
9. What is the expectation of the people of Judah?
10. Who is Isaiah's warning of judgement for?
11. On the Day of the Lord, what is the only thing we can trust in?
12. What is significant about the imagery Isaiah uses of caves and crevices. (19,21)
13. What will be revealed on the Day of the Lord?
14. What is the final appeal of Chapter 2? (22)

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