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The Father Knows Best

School of the Bible Class

Isaiah

The Saving Prophet

Isaiah 5

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Isaiah—Revelation

We continue new study— (5)

- In our last study (Bible as Contract) we finished with a newly created Heavens and Earth as found in Rev 21:1. We made the observation that it mirrors the ending chapters of **Isaiah 65:17, 66:22 and 2 Peter 3:13 making this event for the Kingdom not after 1000 yrs of it.**
- It has been noted that **Isaiah is the Apocalypse** (“destruction of the world”) of the Old Testament as **Revelation is the Apocalypse** of the New.
- My conclusion is that there is no “**new world**” beyond the 1000 year mark in the Kingdom—revealed in the Old Testament.
- Our intention is to investigate that hypothesis in our study of Isaiah, a Jewish book with Jewish promises—that ends on a Jewish note.
- **Our understanding is the New Testament does not deny any facts of the Old.**

Isaiah the Book

- **The prophecy of Isaiah is the largest and a critically significant prophecy. We would add Daniel to complete this class of writings.**
- **Isaiah is one of the earliest and is the largest prophecy—and a significant one that predicts in detail Salvation truth.**
- **It is a significant book that is cited by Jesus and NT writers quotes 62x more than any other. Paul 17x.**
- **We can agree that Isaiah is highly important to understand the plan of God.**

Isaiah the Book

- The prophecy is set in a very complicated historic setting. Kings of Israel and Judah, Kings of Assyria, Egypt etc.,
 - Alliances, dependencies and disagreement between Israel and Judah amid apostasy by both Israel and Judah, destruction of Israel North.
- The Nation divided after Solomons reign, with the ten tribes of the north making up Israel and the two remaining tribes Judah and Benjamin in the south.
- Later when (north) Israel is taken by Assyria, the name Israel will return to the southern nation that it represents all the tribes since there were migrations to the south after the revolt of Jeroboam.

Divided Kingdom										
Judah					Israel					
Years	King	Start / End	Prophet	Scripture	Years	King	Start / End	Prophet	Scripture	
931 - 913	Rehoboam (Son)	Evil / Evil	Shemaiah	1 Ki 12, 14 2 Ch 10-12	931 - 910	Jeroboam I (servant)	Evil / Evil	Ahijah	1 Ki 12-14 2 Ch 10	
913 - 911	Abijah (Son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 15 2 Ch 13						
911 - 870	Asa (Son)	Good/Good	Hanani	1 Ki 15 2 Ch 14-16	910 - 909	Nadab (son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 15	
					909 - 886	Baasha	Evil / Evil	Jehu	1 Ki 16	
					886 - 885	Elah (Son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 16	
					885	Zimri (Captain)	Evil / Evil	Micaiah	1 Ki 16	
					885 - 874	Omri (Captain)	Evil / Evil	Elijah 1 Ki 17-19 1 Ki 21 2 Ki 1-2	1 Ki 16 1 Ki 17 2 Ch 18	
870 - 848	Jehoshaphat (Son)	Good/Good		1 Ki 22 2 Ch 17-20	874 - 853	Ahab (Son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 22 2 Ki 1	
848 - 841	Jehoram (Son)	Evil / Evil	Obadiah[?]	2 Ki 8 2 Ch 21	852 - 841	Joram (Son of Ahab)	Evil / Evil	Elisha 1 Ki 19 2 Ki 2-9 2 Ki 13	2 Ki 3	
841	Ahaziah (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 8-9 2 Ch 22	841 - 814	Jehu (Captain)	Good / Evil		2 Ki 9-10	
841 - 835	Athaliah (mother)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 11 2 Ch 22-23						
835 - 796	Joash (son of Ahaziah)	Good / Evil	Joel	2 Ki 11-12 2 Ch 23-24	814 - 798	Jehoahaz (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 13	
796 - 767	Amaziah (son)	Good / Evil		2 Ki 14 2 Ch 25	798 - 782	Jehoash (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 13-14	
					782 - 753	Jeroboam II (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 14	
767 - 740	Uzziah aka Azariah (Son)	Good/Evil	Isaiah Micah	2 Ki 15 2 Ch 26	753 - 752	Zechariah (Son)	Evil / Evil	Amos Hosea	2 Ki 15	
					752	Shallum	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15	
					752 - 742	Menahem	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15	
					742 - 740	Pekahiah (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15	
748 - 732	Jotham (Son)	Good/Good			2 Ki 15 2 Ch 27	752 - 740 (rival) 733 - 722 (sole)	Pekah (Captain)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15
732 - 716	Ahaz (Son)	Evil / Evil			2 Ki 16 2 Ch 28 Is 7	732 - 722	Hoshea	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 17
716 - 687	Hezekiah (Son)	Good/Good			2 Ki 18-20 2 Ch 29-32 Is 36-39	Israel into Assyrian captivity - 722 BC				

Isaiah the Book

- The prophecy of Isaiah is directed at Judah (south) but the north (Israel) is in the field of vision and forms an example for Judah not to follow.
- With our intention for this series—the prophetic answers should line up with Revelation. Therefore, we will not make this a detailed historical study but attempt to pick and chose the texts that answers our eschatological questions. (This may get me in trouble!)

What we Know

- **Isaiah written over time surrounding BC 720-700**
- **Isaiah is high placed in the Government/Religious system.**
- **We expect that Isaiah must have been a pest around the Temple and the Palace as he delivered God's assessment of His Nation in unwelcomed messages delivered to the eyes and ears in the Temple, Palace and the Street.**

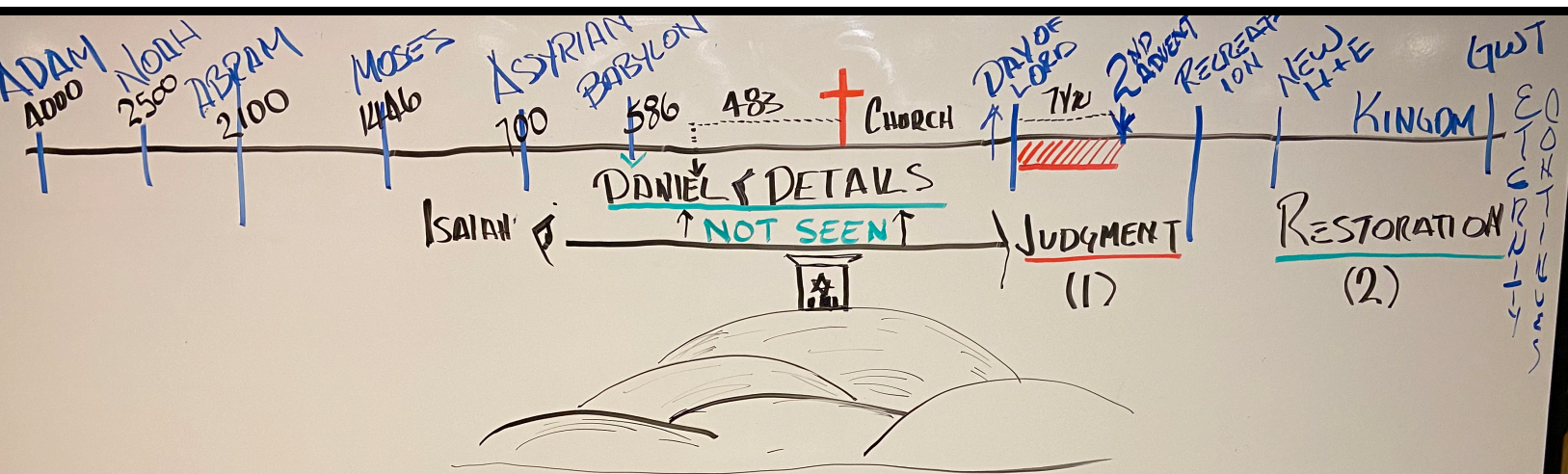
Isaiah the Book

- **Isaiah is broken into chapters. There are clues that suggest a new message as we have in 1:1 and 2:1. Or a striking change of the subject as in chap. 5. These marks may be clues to watch for the beginning and end of prophecies.**
- **The writing and the assembly of the messages into the book was likely a team effort. That God guided this effort goes without saying. We are not forced to answer these kinds of questions definitively since God is able to give, assemble and preserve the messages. (We are not humanists.)**

Isaiah the Book

- We could imagine that the temple scribes could have been aware of the value of the utterances and in time as Ezra did, put together the messages into the book as we have it.



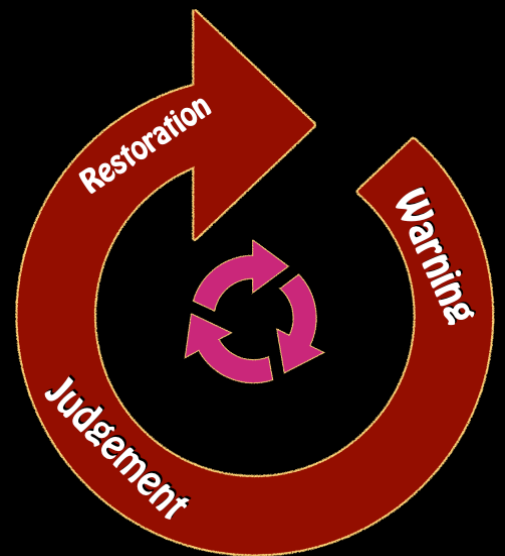


Generational Judgments



Isaiah the Book

- In the first chapters we have already seen the common cycles seen in Scripture.
- **Warning**
- **Judgement**
- **Restoration**
- That will continue for the rest of the book.
- The warning can be gentle or harsh.
- In chapter five the warning begins as did the plea in chapter one, “**come let us reason together**”



Now we have poetry literature
that is between lovers.

The Lord and His Vineyard

Isaiah the Book

- The lovers are not a man and a woman but a vineyard and the garden Dresser.
- For those who have a beautiful garden of flowers and vegetables, this metaphor should be particularly striking.
- The “Unified Israel” is the garden and the Lord in the Dresser, the care taker, the groomer of it. It is to produce the maximum **delight and benefit**, in this case wine.

The Troubadour

The Singer of the Song is Isaiah

Isaiah Speaks

- Isaiah 5:1 Let me sing now for my well-beloved A song of my beloved concerning His vineyard.
- My well-beloved had a vineyard on a fertile hill.



Isaiah Speaks About God Work

- **Isaiah 5:2 He dug it all around, removed its stones, And planted it with the choicest vine.**
- **And He built a tower in the middle of it And also hewed out a wine vat in it;**
- **Then He expected it to produce good grapes, But it produced only worthless ones.**

Isaiah Takes the Voice of God

- Isaiah 5:3 “And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, Judge between Me (God) and My vineyard.
- Isaiah 5:4 “What more was there to do for My vineyard that I have not done in it? Why, when I expected it to produce good grapes did it produce worthless ones?
- Isaiah 5:5 “So now let Me tell you what I am going to do to My vineyard: I will remove its hedge and it will be consumed; I will break down its wall and it will become trampled ground.

Isaiah Speaks for God

- Isaiah 5:6 “I will lay it waste; It will not be pruned or hoed, But briars and thorns will come up. I will also charge the clouds to rain no rain on it.”
- Isaiah 5:7 For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel And the men of Judah His delightful plant. Thus He looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; For righteousness, but behold, a cry of distress.

Isaiah Speaks for God

- **Isaiah 5:8 Woe to those who add house to house and join field to field, Until there is no more room, So that you have to live alone in the midst of the land!**
- **Isaiah 5:9 In my ears the Lord of hosts has sworn, “Surely, many houses shall become desolate, Even great and fine ones, without occupants.**

Isaiah Speaks for God

- Isaiah 5:10 “For ten acres of vineyard will yield only one bath of wine, And a homer of seed will yield but an ephah of grain.”
- Isaiah 5:11 Woe to those who rise early in the morning that they may pursue strong drink, Who stay up late in the evening that wine may inflame them!
- Isaiah 5:12 Their banquets are accompanied by lyre and harp, by tambourine and flute, and by wine; But they do not pay attention to the deeds of the Lord, Nor do they consider the work of His hands.

Isaiah Speaks for God

- Isaiah 5:13 Therefore My people go into exile for their lack of knowledge; And their honorable men are famished, And their multitude is parched with thirst.
- Isaiah 5:14 Therefore Sheol has enlarged its throat and opened its mouth without measure; And Jerusalem's splendor, her multitude, her din of revelry and the jubilant within her, descend into it.
- Isaiah 5:15 So the common man will be humbled and the man of importance abased, The eyes of the proud also will be abased.

The Hope

Restored
Garden of Eden



Thomas Kinkadee



Isaiah Speaks for God

- Isaiah 5:16 But the Lord of hosts will be exalted in judgment, And the holy God will show Himself holy in righteousness.
- Isaiah 5:17 Then the lambs will graze as in their pasture, And strangers will eat in the waste places of the wealthy.



Isaiah Speaks for God

- This is another cycle of
- **Warning**
- **Judgment**
- **Restoration**
- But how many times? Are there some limits?

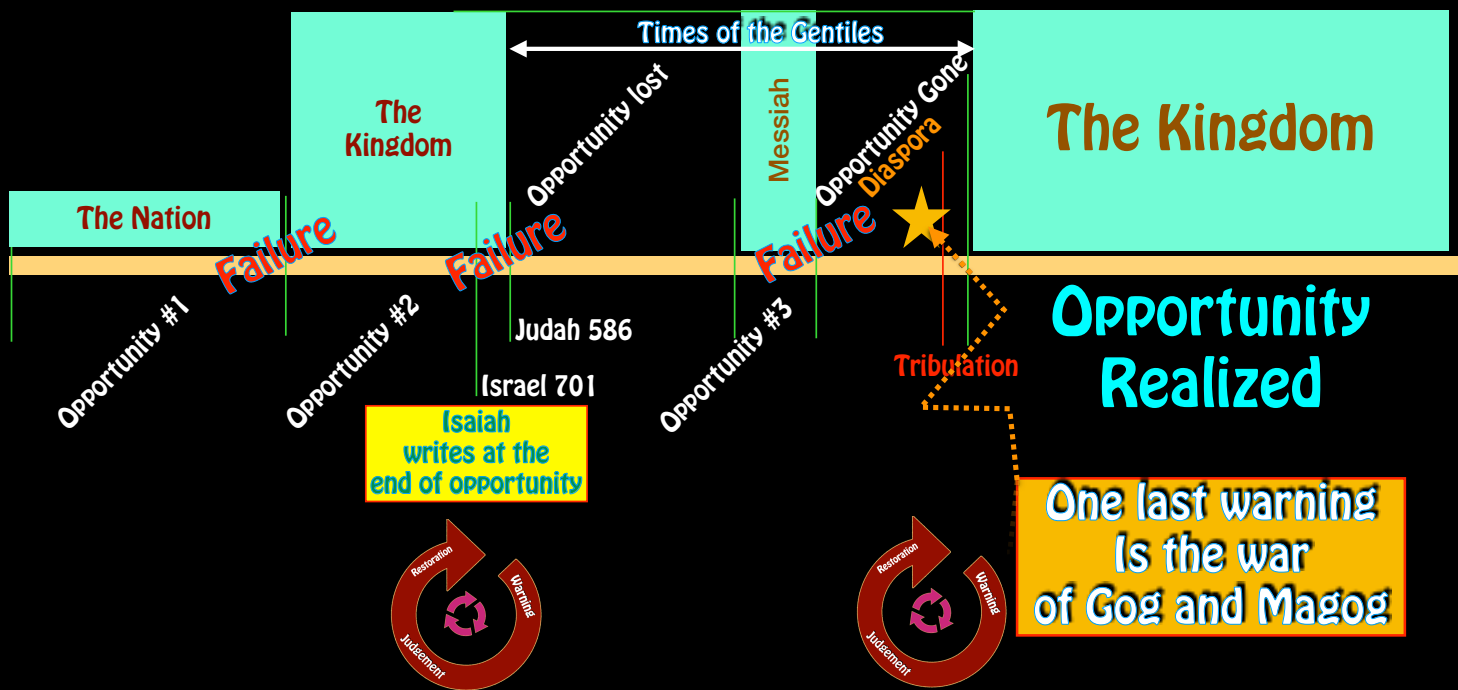


Isaiah Speaks for God

- We said last week that my approach to the judgments and blessing statement in Isaiah is that we will take them as indicating the final judgment of the Tribulation and the final restoration that is the Eternal Kingdom.
 - What would be the point Israel never responded in repentance.
- There are many references to coming judgments with a hand out stretched to receive repentance—but that never came nor will come until the 2nd Advent.
- So the opportunity for obedience is passed for Israel with Isaiah, with one brief opportunity at the time of the Messiah (expected rejection) a final opportunity.
- His language then goes to the final judgments and the final restoration in the Kingdom. The chart for this—>



The Grace Of God on a Chart



General Warnings

Back the Court Room and the Charges

Guilty as Charged

- Isaiah 5:18 Woe to those who drag **iniquity** with the cords of falsehood, And **sin** as if with cart ropes; **(burdensome loads)**
- Isaiah 5:19 Who say, “Let Him make speed, let Him hasten His work, that we may see it; And let the purpose of the Holy One of Israel draw near And come to pass, that we may know it!” **(No repentance but God should act for them.)**
- Isaiah 5:20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness; Who substitute bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!

Guilty as Charged

- Isaiah 5:21 Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes And clever in their own sight!
- Isaiah 5:22 Woe to those who are heroes in drinking wine And valiant men in mixing strong drink, **(When sin is exalted as in Roms. 1.)**
- Isaiah 5:23 Who justify the wicked for a bribe, And take away the rights of the ones who are in the right! **(The unjust call for justice.)**

The Final Judgement

The final Judgment after Opportunity

- Isaiah 5:24 **Therefore, as a tongue of fire consumes stubble** *Tribulation*
And dry grass collapses into the flame, So their root will become like rot and their blossom blow away as dust; For they have rejected the law of the Lord of hosts And despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.
- Isaiah 5:25 On this account the anger of the Lord has burned against His people, And He has stretched out His hand against them and struck them down. **And the mountains quaked, and their corpses lay like refuse in the middle of the streets.** *Tribulation* For all this His anger is not spent, But His hand is still stretched out.

The final Judgment after Opportunity

Armageddon

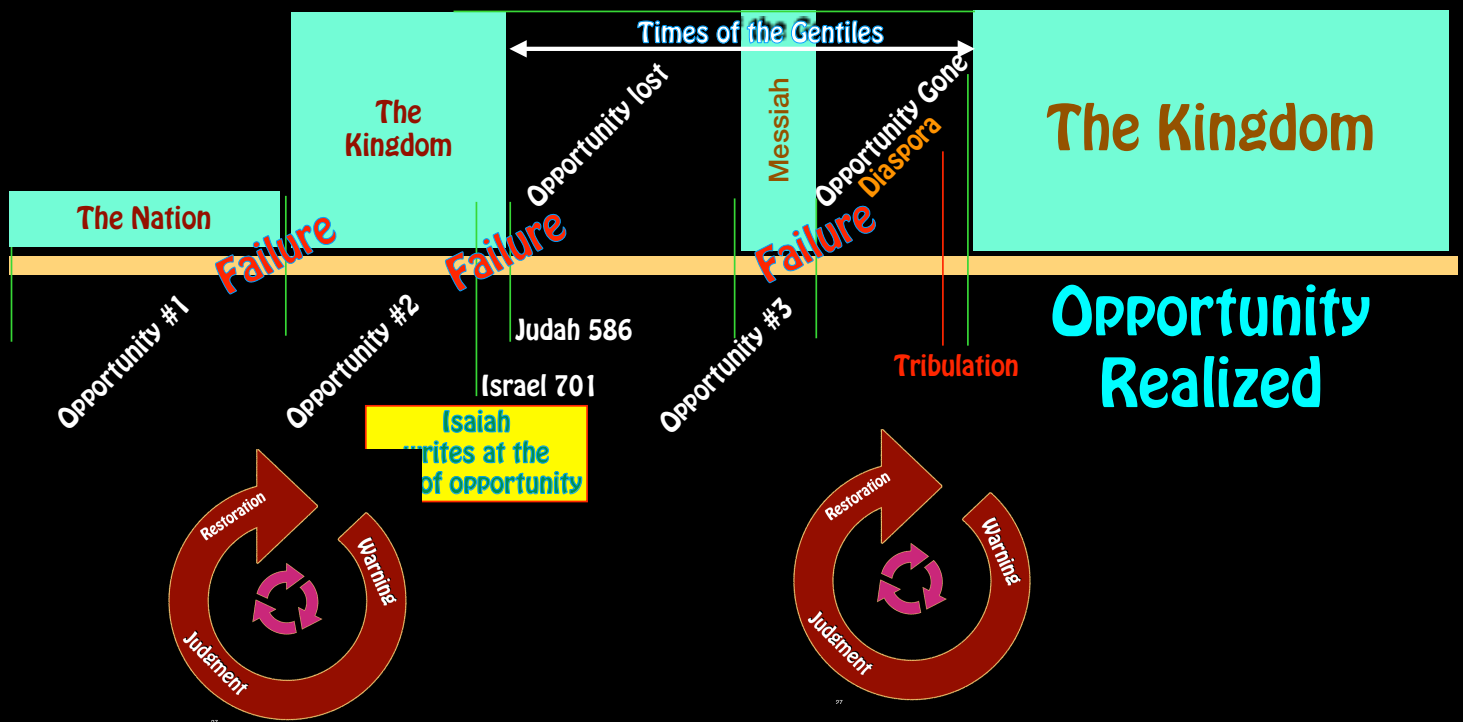
- Isaiah 5:26 He will also lift up a standard to the distant nation, And will whistle for it from the ends of the earth; And behold, it will come with speed swiftly.
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- Armageddon
- Isaiah 5:27 No one in it is weary or stumbles, None slumbers or sleeps; Nor is the belt at its waist undone, Nor its sandal strap broken.
- Isaiah 5:28 Its arrows are sharp and all its bows are bent; The hoofs of its horses seem like flint and its chariot wheels like a whirlwind.

The final Judgment after Opportunity

Armageddon

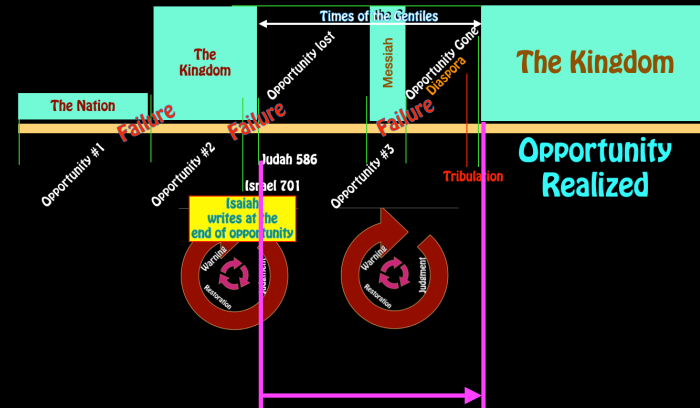
- **Isaiah 5:29** Its roaring is like a lioness, and it roars like young lions; It growls as it seizes the prey And carries it off with no one to deliver it.
- **Isaiah 5:30** And it will growl over it **in that day** like the roaring of the sea. If one looks to the land, behold, there is darkness and distress; Even the light is darkened by its clouds.

The Grace Of God on a Chart



The final Judgment after Opportunity

- We are left with a sobering thought that the days of opportunity have passed.
- But 700+2022+ years must pass by without the opportunity for Israel to recover—but it will!



Application in our Day

- Isaiah Chapter 5 has the quotable section that is true of all unbelief they gets every thing upside down and reversed.
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Thus Far—
Holy Holy Holy! Next Week