

# Isaiah 26-27 Notes

## Precept study on Isaiah Part 1, Lesson 10

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### 1 Review

- Isaiah 1-5: God judges His people. Call to repentance. Promise of future restoration.
- Isaiah 6: Isaiah before God's throne
- Isaiah 7-9: Fear God, not man.
- Isaiah 9-10: Judgement on Israel and Assyria. Promise of restoration.
- Isaiah 11-12: The Branch, His anger turns away.
- Isaiah 13-23: Oracles concerning Babylon, Philistia, Moab, Damascus, Cush, Egypt, Wilderness of the Sea, Edom, Arabia, Valley of Vision, Tyre and Sidon.
- Isaiah 24: the destruction of the whole earth
  - Isaiah 24:1-6: The everlasting covenant broken
  - Isaiah 24:7-13: Joy turns to gloom
  - Isaiah 24:14-16a: the people glorify the LORD
  - Isaiah 24:17-23: punishment of kings on earth and host of heaven
- Isaiah 25: Praise to the LORD; He swallows up death for all time!
  - Isaiah 25:1-5: Isaiah's praise, for God's plan
  - Isaiah 25:6-9: Wipe away all tears; destroy death

## 2 Isaiah 26: The righteous contrasted with the wicked

### 2.1 What does the LORD do in Isaiah 26?

- sets up walls (v1)
- keeps us in peach (v3)
- brought low the high (v5)
- judges (v9)
- lifts His hands (v11), zeal (v11)
- establishes peace (v12)
- **You have also performed all our works** (v12)
- rules (v13)
- punishes and destroys the wicked (v14), and the nation (v15)
- chastens the righteous (v16)
- brings life (v19)
- comes! (v21)

### 2.2 Contrast the righteous and the wicked

Righteous	Wicked
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• enters the city (v2)</li><li>• in peace (v3, v12)</li><li>• way is smooth (v7)</li><li>• trusts Him (v4)</li><li>• waits for Him (v8)</li><li>• longs for Him (v9)</li><li>• seeks Him (v9)</li><li>• confesses (v13)</li><li>• prays (v16)</li><li>• helpless (v18)</li><li>• dead will live (v19)</li><li>• shouts for joy (v19)</li><li>• hides and waits (v20)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• trampled (v5,6)</li><li>• doesn't learn righteousness (v10), even when shown favor or punished</li><li>• dead will not live (v14)</li><li>• judges for iniquity (v21)</li><li>• LORD wipes out remembrance of them</li></ul>

## 2.3 Compare with Daniel and Revelation

- Those who sleep in the dust will awake, some to eternal life, others to disgrace.

## 2.4 Common themes in Isaiah 26 and prior parts of Isaiah

(Isaiah 26 in bold).

- 24:10 city desolate; **and 26:2: city strong**
- 25:12 Moab brought low; **and 26:5**
- 8:16, 25:9 we wait for Him; **and 26:8**
- fire and burning (many references: 1:3, 4:4, 5:24-25, 6:13, 9:18-19, 10:16-17, 13:8-9, 13:13, 27:4) **and compare with 26:11.**
- 13:8 writhing like woman in labor; **and 26:18**
- 25:8 swallows up death; **and 26:19 Your dead shall live**

# 3 Isaiah 27: Let him make peace with Me

## 3.1 What does the LORD do in Isaiah 27?

- 27:1: punishes the serpent
- 27:2-6: waters/guards His vine, no wrath against it. destroys enemies or makes peace with them.
- 27:7-11: strikes Jacob, so that they destroy their own idols; heals them. no compassion on those without discernment
- 27:12-13: gathers the exiles and brings them to Jerusalem

## 3.2 Common themes in Isaiah 27 and prior parts of Isaiah

(Isaiah 27 in bold).

- Striking and healing: for the righteous
  - 1:15: LORD hides His eyes, does not listen; “come now, let us reason together”
  - 1:25-26: LORD turns His hand against Israel; removes alloy; then restored as at first
  - 4:4: LORD washes away the filth, by judgement and burning; all who remain called holy
  - 5:13: My people go into exile for lack of knowledge; **27:12-13: the LORD gathers the exiles**
  - 6: How long O LORD? Until cities devastated; yet a tenth remains
  - 12: Your anger is turned away; He has become my salvation
  - 19:22-25 Egypt, the LORD striking but healing. Blessed is Egypt My people, Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel My inheritance.
  - 24: earth laid waste; therefore glorify the LORD
  - 25: city made into a heap; therefore ruthless nations revere You.
  - **27:9: when the earth experiences judgment, inhabitants learn righteousness**
- Striking and but no healing: for the wicked
  - What happens when the wicked are struck? Are they healed?
  - See Isaiah 9-10: His anger does not turn away.
  - See 9:13: “Yet the people do not turn back to Him who struck them”
  - **27:10-11: though the wicked shown favor, or punished, they do not see it. The dead do not live.**
- The vineyard:
  - 5: song of the vineyard, produced worthless grapes, bad fruit
  - 24:7,9: no joy in the wine
  - 10:17: briars and thorns of Israel burned
  - contrast with **27:2-26: the LORD restores His vineyard**
  - **27:4: briars and thorns burned, or at peace**
  - **27:6: fill the world with fruit**
- Idols destroyed:
  - 2:18,20: idols will vanish, cast away to the moles and bats
  - 17:8: no regard for their idols
  - **and 27:9: idols ground to powder**