

The Story of Isaiah: Part 1, Chapters 1 – 39

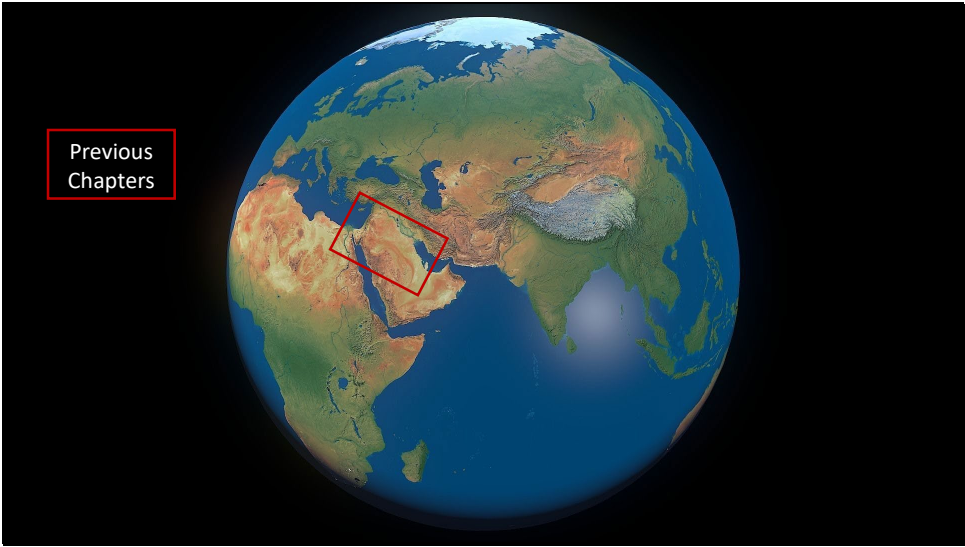
*Session 8: The Earth Judged and Israel
Restored
Isaiah 24:1 – 27:13*

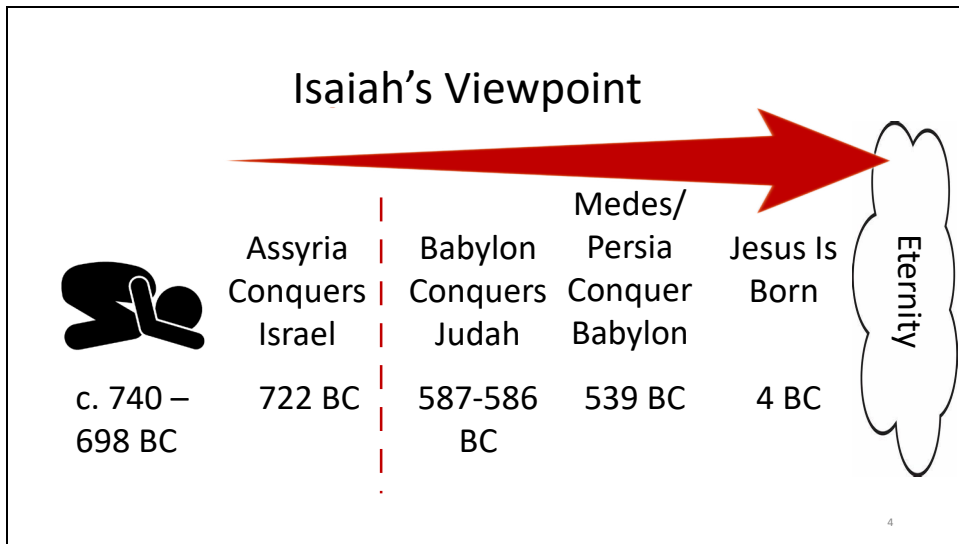
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Session Outline

- 1. Judgment on the Earth
- 2. Praise for the Righteous LORD
- 3. The LORD Restores His People





1. Judgment on the Earth

1.1. Complete Destruction Coming

- Total destruction proclaimed (24:1-3)
- A curse upon the rebellious (24:4-6)
- Joy turns to gloom (24:7-11)
- Beaten like an olive tree; harvested like a vineyard (24:12-13)

1.1. Complete Destruction Coming

“See, the LORD is going to lay waste the earth and devastate it; he will ruin its face and scatter its inhabitants.”

**Total destruction
proclaimed**

Isaiah 24:1

1.1. Complete Destruction Coming

“The earth is defiled by its people; they have disobeyed the laws, violated the statutes and broken the everlasting covenant.”

A curse upon the rebellious

Isaiah 24:5

1.1. Complete Destruction Coming

“Therefore earth’s inhabitants are burned up, and very few are left.”

A curse upon the rebellious

Isaiah 24:6

1.1. Complete Destruction Coming

“So will it be on the earth and among the nations, as when an olive tree is beaten, or as when gleanings are left after the grape harvest.”

Beaten like an olive tree; harvested like a vineyard

Isaiah 24:13

1. Judgment on the Earth

1.2. Effects of the Judgment

- Praise from the whole earth (24:14-16a)
- Lament for those judged (24:16b-20)
- Heavenly and earthly powers made prisoners (24:21-23)

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1.2. Effects of the Judgment

“From the ends of the earth we hear singing: ‘Glory to the Righteous One.’”

Praise from the whole earth

Isaiah 24:16a

1.2. Effects of the Judgment

“But I said, ‘I waste away, I waste away! Woe to me! The treacherous betray! With treachery the treacherous betray!’”

Lament for those judged

Isaiah 24:16b

1.2. Effects of the Judgment

“Terror and pit and snare await you, people of the earth.”

Lament for those judged

Isaiah 24:17

2. Praise for the Righteous LORD

2.1. The First Song – Fallen Cities

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

2. Praise for the Righteous LORD

2.1. The First Song – Fallen Cities

- Introduction
- He subdues the mighty cities (25:1-3)
- He provides refuge for the poor (25:4-5)
- He prepares a feast for all (25:6)
- He removes the shroud of death (25:7-8)
- His people celebrate His faithfulness (25:9)
- He destroys the enemy, Moab (25:10-12)

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2.1. The First Song – Fallen Cities

“LORD, you are my
God; I will exalt you
and praise your
name, for in perfect faithfulness you have
done wonderful things, things planned
long ago.”

Introduction

Isaiah 25:1

2.1. The First Song – Fallen Cities

“You have made the city a heap of rubble, the fortified town a ruin, the foreigners’ stronghold a city no more; it will never be rebuilt.”

He subdues the mighty cities

Isaiah 25:2

2.1. The First Song – Fallen Cities

“On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; he will swallow up death forever.”

He removes the shroud of death

Isaiah 25:7-8a; compare 1 Corinthians 15:54

2.1. The First Song – Fallen Cities

“The hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain; but Moab will be trampled in their land as straw is trampled down in the manure.”

He destroys the enemy, Moab

Isaiah 25:10

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

“In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: We have a strong city; God makes salvation its walls and ramparts.

He establishes a strong city for the faithful

Isaiah 26:1

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

“You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.”

He establishes a strong city for the faithful

Isaiah 26:3

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

“But when grace is shown to the wicked, they do not learn righteousness....”

The wicked do not learn from the LORD’s righteous judgment

Isaiah 26:10a

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

“LORD our God,
other lords besides
you have ruled over
us, but your name
alone do we honor.”

He has destroyed
other “lords”

Isaiah 26:13

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

“They are now dead,
they live no more;
their spirits do not
rise.”

He has destroyed
other “lords”

Isaiah 26:14a

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

“But your dead will live, LORD; their bodies will rise— let those who dwell in the dust wake up and shout for joy”

He brings life

Isaiah 26:19a;
compare Daniel 12:2
A clear OT promise of
bodily resurrection

2.2. The Second Song – A Restored City

“...[H]ide yourselves
for a little while until
his wrath has passed
by”

His people should
hide while He
punishes sin

Isaiah 26:20a

3. The LORD Restores His People

- He destroys Leviathan (27:1)
- He oversees His vineyard (27:2-6)
- He atones through exile (27:7-11)
- He regathers His people (27:12-13)

3. The LORD Restores His People

“In that day, the LORD will punish with his sword— his fierce, great and powerful sword— Leviathan the gliding serpent....”

He destroys Leviathan

Isaiah 27:1

Compare Revelation 12:9

3. The LORD Restores His People

“In that day— Sing about a fruitful vineyard: I, the LORD, watch over it; I water it continually.”

He oversees His vineyard

Isaiah 27:2-3a

3. The LORD Restores His People

“By this, then, will
Jacob’s guilt be
atoned for, and this
will be the full fruit
of the removal of his
sin:”

He atones through
exile

Isaiah 27:9a

3. The LORD Restores His People

“When he makes all the altar stones to be like limestone crushed to pieces”

He atones through exile

Isaiah 27:9b

3. The LORD Restores His People

“In that day the LORD will thresh from the flowing Euphrates to the Wadi of Egypt, and you, Israel, will be gathered up one by one.”

He regathers His
people

Isaiah 27:12

3. The LORD Restores His People

“Those who were perishing in Assyria and those who were exiled in Egypt will come and worship the LORD on the holy mountain in Jerusalem.”

He regathers His people

Isaiah 27:13b

Conclusion

Previous Weeks: God will get what God wants. Our future lies with the One He sends.

This Week: He will gather His people from all nations, and they will survive the judgment of all nations.
