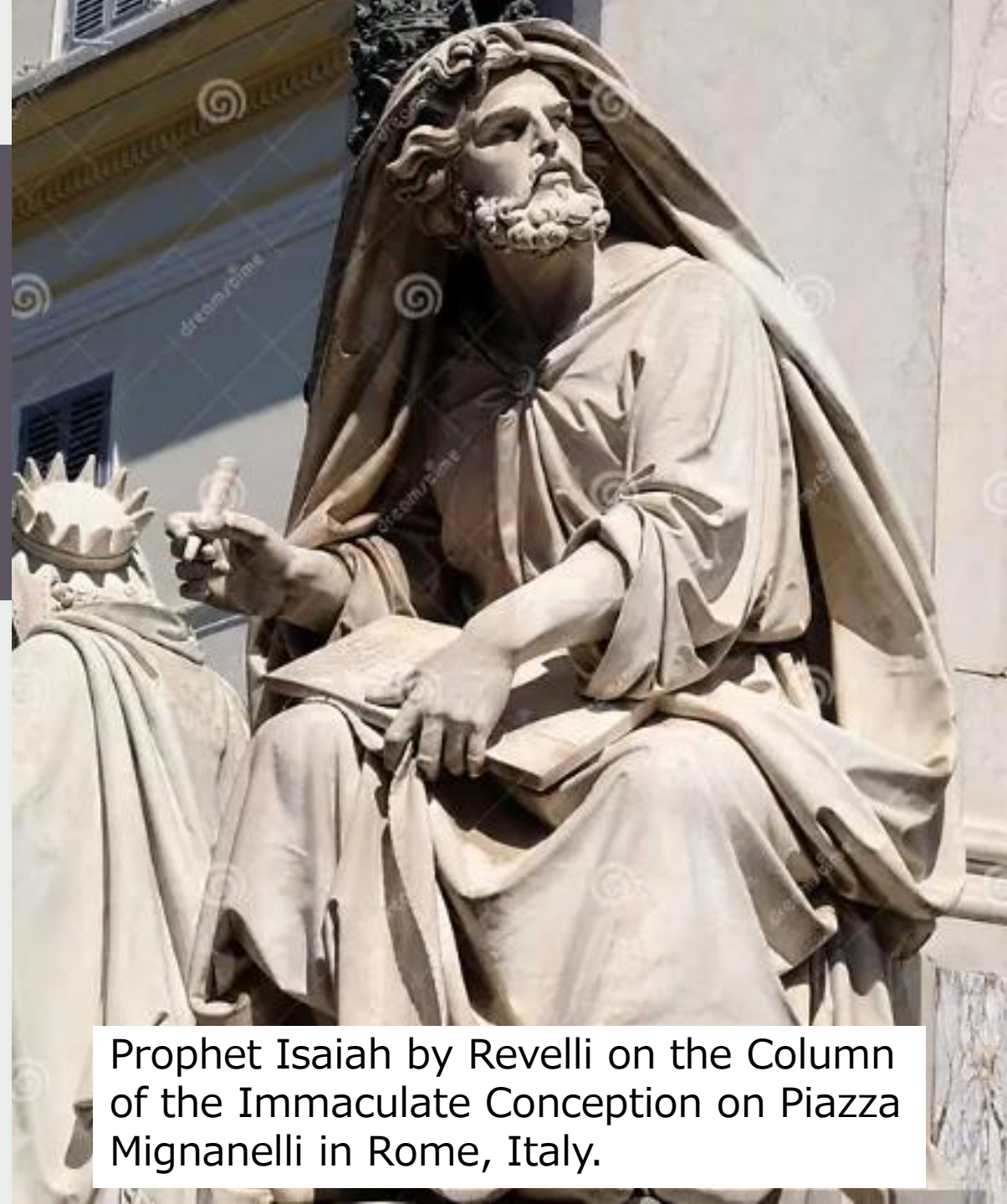


ISAIAH

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Prophet Isaiah by Revelli on the Column of the Immaculate Conception on Piazza Mignanelli in Rome, Italy.



Prayer Requests

Stained Glass window of the prophet Isaiah
in the Cathedral of Brussels, Belgium.



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New Exciting Game

Who is this?

IT'S TIME TO

**Win
Big
Prize**



Isaiah Chapter 4 has 6 verses. Which book in the bible has the fewest verses?



And The
Winner is

Universal Call to Praise

- ¹ Praise the LORD, all nations!
Glorify him, all peoples!
- ² For his faithful love to us is great;
the LORD's faithfulness endures
forever. Hallelujah!

**Today, we will
be covering
Isaiah chapters
4 and 5**





Isaiah Chapter 4



¹On that day seven women will seize one man, saying, "We will eat our own bread and provide our own clothing. Just let us bear your name. Take away our disgrace."

Mosaic of the Prophet Isaiah in the facade of Basilica of Saint Paul outside the walls. Rome, Italy



Zion's Future Glory

²On that day the Branch of the Lord will be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the land will be the pride and glory of Israel's survivors. ³Whoever remains in Zion and whoever is left in Jerusalem will be called holy—all in Jerusalem written in the book of life—



⁴when the Lord has washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion and cleansed the bloodguilt from the heart of Jerusalem by a spirit of judgment and a spirit of burning.

⁵Then the Lord will create a cloud of smoke by day and a glowing flame of fire by night over the entire site of Mount Zion and over its assemblies. For there will be a canopy over all the glory, ⁶and there will be a shelter for shade from heat by day and a refuge and shelter from storm and rain.



Isaiah Chapter 5



Song of the Vineyard

¹I will sing about the one I love, a song about my loved one's vineyard: The one I love had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

²He broke up the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted it with the finest vines. He built a tower in the middle of it and even dug out a winepress there. He expected it to yield good grapes, but it yielded worthless grapes.



³So now, residents of Jerusalem and men of Judah, please judge between me and my vineyard.

⁴What more could I have done for my vineyard than I did? Why, when I expected a yield of good grapes, did it yield worthless grapes?

⁵Now I will tell you what I am about to do to my vineyard: I will remove its hedge, and it will be consumed; I will tear down its wall, and it will be trampled.



⁶I will make it a wasteland. It will not be pruned or weeded; thorns and briars will grow up. I will also give orders to the clouds that rain should not fall on it.

⁷For the vineyard of the Lord of Armies is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah, the plant he delighted in. He expected justice but saw injustice; he expected righteousness but heard cries of despair.



Judah's Sins Denounced

⁸Woe to those who add house to house and join field to field until there is no more room and you alone are left in the land.



⁹I heard the Lord of Armies say:

Indeed, many houses will become desolate, grand and lovely ones without inhabitants.

¹⁰For a ten-acre vineyard will yield only six gallons of wine, and ten bushels of seed will yield only one bushel of grain.

¹¹Woe to those who rise early in the morning in pursuit of beer, who linger into the evening, inflamed by wine.



¹²At their feasts they have lyre, harp, tambourine, flute, and wine. They do not perceive the Lord's actions, and they do not see the work of his hands.

¹³Therefore my people will go into exile because they lack knowledge; her dignitaries are starving, and her masses are parched with thirst.

¹⁴Therefore Sheol enlarges its throat and opens wide its enormous jaws, and down go Zion's dignitaries, her masses, her crowds, and those who celebrate in her!



¹⁵Humanity is brought low, each person is humbled, and haughty eyes are humbled.

¹⁶But the Lord of Armies is exalted by his justice, and the holy God demonstrates his holiness through his righteousness.

¹⁷Lambs will graze as if in their own pastures, and resident aliens will eat among the ruins of the rich.



18Woe to those who drag iniquity with cords of deceit and pull sin along with cart ropes,
19to those who say, “Let him hurry up and do his work quickly so that we can see it! Let the plan of the Holy One of Israel take place so that we can know it!”
20Woe 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.



21Woe to those who consider themselves wise and judge themselves clever.

22Woe to those who are heroes at drinking wine, who are champions at pouring beer,

23who acquit the guilty for a bribe and deprive the innocent of justice.

24Therefore, as a tongue of fire consumes straw and as dry grass shrivels in the flame, so their roots will become like something rotten and their blossoms will blow away like dust,



for they have rejected the instruction of the Lord of Armies, and they have despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.

25Therefore the Lord's anger burned against his people. He raised his hand against them and struck them; the mountains quaked, and their corpses were like garbage in the streets. In all this, his anger has not turned away, and his hand is still raised to strike.



26He raises a signal flag for the distant nations and whistles for them from the ends of the earth. Look—how quickly and swiftly they come!

27None of them grows weary or stumbles; no one slumbers or sleeps. No belt is loose and no sandal strap broken.

28Their arrows are sharpened, and all their bows strung. Their horses' hooves are like flint; their chariot wheels are like a whirlwind.



29 Their roaring is like a lion's; they roar like young lions; they growl and seize their prey and carry it off, and no one can rescue it.

30 On that day they will roar over it, like the roaring of the sea. When one looks at the land, there will be darkness and distress; light will be obscured by clouds.

Let's remember Isaiah is a prophet. When we read his prophecy, let's make sure you and I and our church is not violating the same things the Israelites were doing.



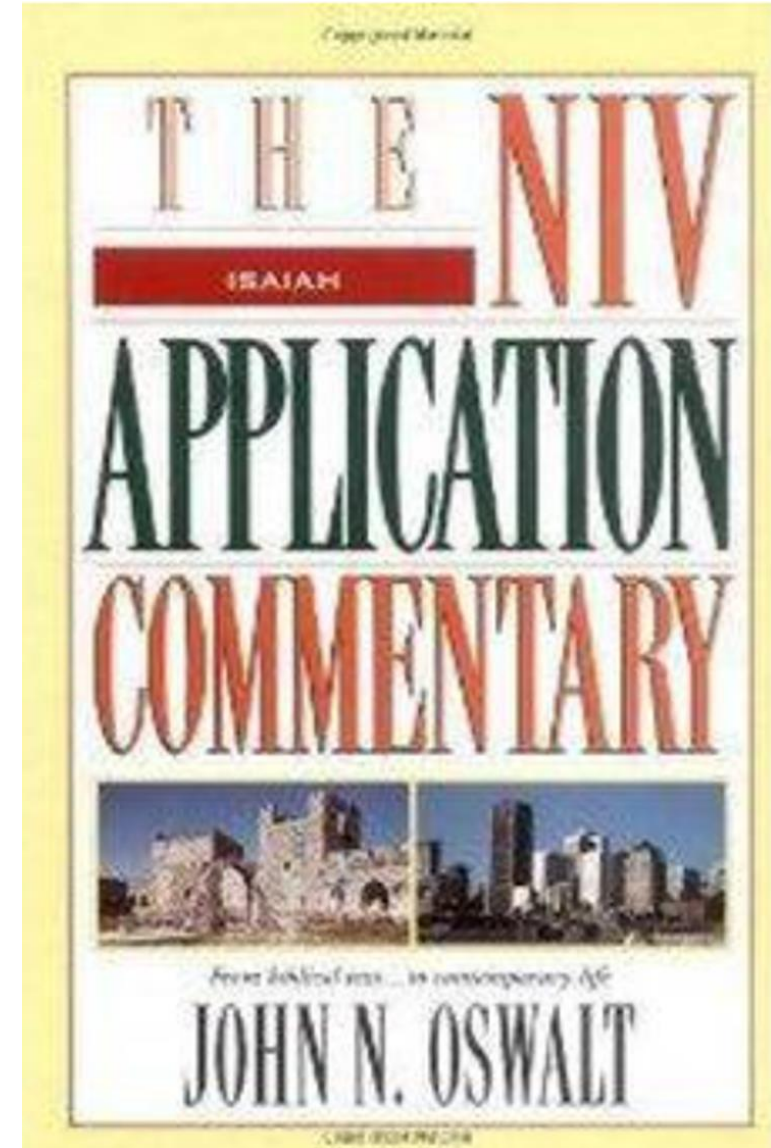
Chapter 4, verse 1

How is verse 1 not the last verse of chapter 3? It totally seems misfit here.



In 4:1 the prophet gives the final graphic illustration of humiliation. In that society it was a great shame for a woman to have no family connections. Yet Isaiah foresees the day when so many of the men have died in plague or been killed in war that there are not enough fathers and husbands to go around. In utter humiliation, seven women will beg one man to give them his name with no obligation on his part at all. Here is the final degradation of human pride

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Chapter 4, verses 2-6

After all the devastation takes place -

**³Whoever remains in Zion and
whoever is left in Jerusalem
will be called holy—all in
Jerusalem written in the book
of life—**

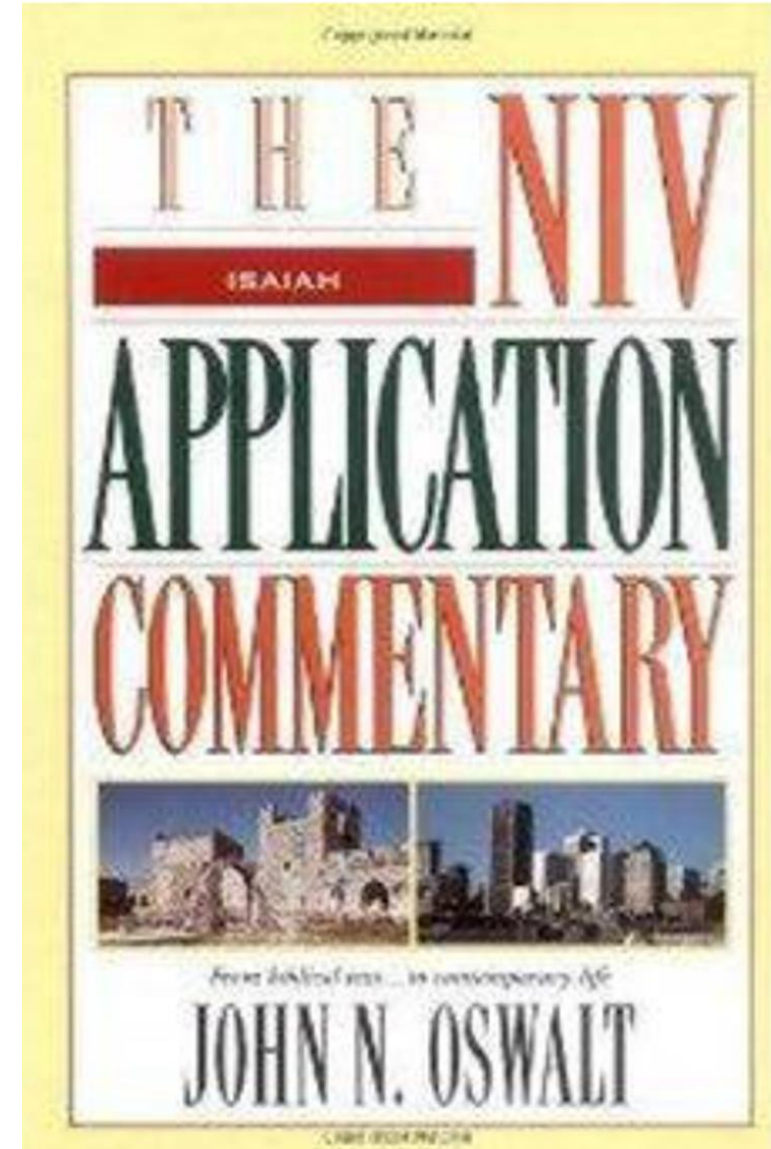


Chapter 4, verse 7

⁷For the vineyard of the Lord of Armies is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah, the plant he delighted in. He expected justice but saw injustice; he expected righteousness but heard cries of despair.



We should also recognize that comfort, pleasure and security are all byproducts, not ends and of themselves. If we make those things primary, we will become idolaters, and we will lose those things even as we seize them. But if we make God's presence and His character primary, then comfort, pleasure, and security will fall on us all unawares. But they will be when and where God chooses and that will be enough because we know he is all we need that all those other things may come and go as they will. *pg 108*



It was a prophet who wrote this, a prophet inspired of God. An ordinary believer might suffice to sing, but he counts it no stoop for a prophet, and no waste of his important time, to occupy himself with song. There is no engagement under heaven that is more exalting than praising God, and however great may be the work which is committed to the charge of any of us, we shall always do well if we pause awhile to spend a time in sacred praise.



Charles
Spurgeon

5:1

Chapter 5, verses 1-7

A beautiful picture is painted then we learn that nothing is produced.

⁴What more could I have done for my vineyard than I did? Why, when I expected a yield of good grapes, did it yield worthless grapes?



Verse 5 and 6 tell us what happens

Verse 7 tells us who this metaphor is about

Chapter 5, verses 1-7

**What can we do to make
sure this metaphor will
not also apply to us?**



Chapter 5, verses 8-30

Motyer describes the problem

Verses 11 – 24 describe man's problems

Verses 25 – 30 describes what happens



**. . . 6 gallons, presumably a meager yield for 10 acres .
. . usually understood as the area 10 oxen could plow
in the day. . . therefore the crop was only a tenth of the
seed sown.**

**There is a moral vitality in the environment whereby
the character and conduct of the owners cause a
retrenchment of what the created world is prepared to
do for them. This is the opposite of the Messianic
plenty. the land-hungry end by being hungry, despite
all their land.**

- **All day beer and wine**
- **Not aware of God's actions or work of His hands**
- **Hands full of inequity and sin**
- **Call evil good and good evil**
- **Think they are wise & clever**
- **Heroes at drinking wine,**
- **Champions at pouring beer,**
- **Acquit the guilty for a bribe**
- **Deprive the innocent of justice.**



Woe to those

**God deals
with this at
end of the
chapter**

Are there parallels to events in the world today?

What lessons should we take away from this chapter?





Isaiah 4 & 5

Have a blessed week