

Isaiah 34

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Isaiah 34:1 NKJV

Come near, you nations, to hear; And
heed, you people! Let the earth hear,
and all that is in it, The world and all
things that come forth from it.

- ✦ *This summons is to ALL nations*
- ✦ *This applies to all peoples (including the church)*
- ✦ *The message refers to a time when judgment will be dispensed and ALL things will be summed up in Christ.*

“Let the earth hear, and all that is in it, The world and all things that come forth from it.”

Isaiah 34:2-3 NKJV

For the indignation of the LORD is against all nations, And His fury against all their armies; He has utterly destroyed them, He has given them over to the slaughter. [3] Also their slain shall be thrown out; Their stench shall rise from their corpses, And the mountains shall be melted with their blood.

- ✦ *God's wrath is being stored up for the day of judgment.*
- ✦ *Romans 1:18-23*
- ✦ *Colossians 1:21*
- ✦ *The fate of the wicked is the just wrath of God*
- ✦ *Dead bodies will lie unburied*
- ✦ *Blood will run like a river*

Isaiah 34:4-7 NKJV

All the host of heaven shall be dissolved, And the heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll; All their host shall fall down As the leaf falls from the vine, And as fruit falling from a fig tree. [5] "For My sword shall be bathed in heaven; Indeed it shall come down on Edom, And on the people of My curse, for judgment. [6] The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, It is made overflowing with fatness, With the blood of lambs and goats, With the fat of the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah, And a great slaughter in the land of Edom. [7] The wild oxen shall come down with them, And the young bulls with the mighty bulls; Their land shall be soaked with blood, And their dust saturated with fatness."

- ✦ *The judgment of God on the nations is described*
- ✦ *The nations are led as sheep to the slaughter*
- ✦ *Interestingly, Bozrah means sheepfold or inclosure*
- ✦ *Revelation 19:11-21*

Isaiah 34:8-12 NKJV

For it is the day of the LORD's vengeance, The year of recompense for the cause of Zion. [9] Its streams shall be turned into pitch, And its dust into brimstone; Its land shall become burning pitch. [10] It shall not be quenched night or day; Its smoke shall ascend forever. From generation to generation it shall lie waste; No one shall pass through it forever and ever. [11] But the pelican and the porcupine shall possess it, Also the owl and the raven shall dwell in it. And He shall stretch out over it The line of confusion and the stones of emptiness. [12] They shall call its nobles to the kingdom, But none shall be there, and all its princes shall be nothing.

Isaiah 34:13-15 NKJV

And thorns shall come up in its palaces, Nettles and brambles
in its fortresses; It shall be a habitation of jackals, A
courtyard for ostriches. [14] The wild beasts of the desert
shall also meet with the jackals, And the wild goat shall bleat
to its companion; Also the night creature shall rest there,
And find for herself a place of rest. [15] There the arrow
snake shall make her nest and lay eggs And hatch, and gather
them under her shadow; There also shall the hawks be
gathered, Every one with her mate.

- ✦ *God will vindicate the evil brought upon his people*
- ✦ *The land will be destroyed by fire*
- ✦ *It will become desolate*
- ✦ *Only scavengers will be around*

Isaiah 34:16-17 NKJV

"Search from the book of the LORD, and read: Not one of these shall fail; Not one shall lack her mate. For My mouth has commanded it, and His Spirit has gathered them. [17] He has cast the lot for them, And His hand has divided it among them with a measuring line. They shall possess it forever; From generation to generation they shall dwell in it."

- ✿ *Read the book!*
- ✿ *It will inform you about what God has done!*
- ✿ *It will inform you about what God is going to do!*
- ✿ *God's instruction is pure!*
- ✿ *His promises are sure!*