

Sunday Sermon | Calvary Chapel Waterford  
Isaiah 59 Sermon Outline Pastor Tom Zimbelman

***Theme: "It's not Me, it's you... and only I can fix it."***

***Introduction***

- ***God's separation from His people is not due to weakness or indifference, but to willful sin.***
- ***Isaiah exposes both open rebellion and hidden hypocrisy masked by religious activity.***
- ***Conviction leads to confession, and confession prepares the way for redemption through the Redeemer.***

***1. God's barrier of sin Isaiah 59:1-8***

- ***Sin separates people from God and silences prayer, not because God cannot save, but because He will not endorse hypocrisy.***
- ***Rebellion manifests outwardly in violence and deceit and inwardly in corrupt thoughts and intentions.***
- ***Those who plot evil ultimately become trapped by their own sin and know no peace.***

***2. God's light in the darkness Isaiah 59:9-15***

- ***Confession replaces denial as the people admit their guilt and spiritual blindness.***
- ***Human solutions fail, and truth collapses in a culture that rejects righteousness.***
- ***Repentance exposes the darkness, but also opens the door to forgiveness and cleansing.***

***3. God's promise of the Redeemer Isaiah 59:16-21***

- ***When no human intercessor is found, God Himself provides salvation.***
- ***The Redeemer comes to Zion to remove sin and establish an everlasting covenant.***
- ***God's Spirit and Word will remain with His redeemed people forever.***

## Scripture Cross References

### Isaiah 59

**Proverbs 5:22:** *“His own iniquities entrap the wicked man, And he is caught in the cords of his sin.”*

**Isaiah 1:2:** *“I have nourished and brought up children, And they have rebelled against Me;”*

**1 John 1:8:** *“If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.”*

**1 John 2:4:** *“He who says, ‘I know Him,’ and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.”*

**1 John 1:9:** *“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

**1 Corinthians 2:2:** *“For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.”*

**1 Corinthians 2:14:** *“But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.”*

**Romans 2:5–6:** *“But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who ‘will render to each one according to his deeds’.”*

**Romans 11:26:** *“...all Israel will be saved, as it is written: ‘The Deliverer will come out of Zion, And He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;’”*

**Romans 11:27:** *“For this is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins.”*

**Zechariah 12:10:** *“And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.”*

**Matthew 23:37–39:** *“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! See! Your house is left to you desolate; for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’”*