The Book of ISAIAH



Chapters 2-5

"The Latter Days - Sins of Judah - The Kingdom - Israel"

> CHAPTER 2 - God Declares The Latter Days & The Great Tribulation!

(v1-5) God gives Isaiah a vision of the *latter days*; when the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ will come and reign at His second coming! In the New Testament the second coming of Christ is

referred to over 300 times. Christ will reign on earth for 1000 years, this is called the "Millennial Reign of Christ!" (Rev. 20)

(v6-21) The "Day of the LORD" is coming, Jesus warned of a time of judgment in Matthew 24:21-22 - For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened. (Rev. 6 – 19)

~ Insight (v12): Three important theological terms regarding Bible prophecy:

- "<u>The Day of Christ</u>"- This refers to the expectation of the Church, her translation, glorification, and examination for reward. The "day of Christ" relates wholly to the reward and blessing of saints at His coming, as the "day of the Lord" is connected with judgment (1 Cor. 1:7-9; Phil. 1:10; 2:16).
- "<u>The Day of the Lord</u>"- This time period begins at the rapture of the Church continues through the tribulation, the second coming of Christ, His millennial kingdom, the great white throne judgment of God, and the purging of earth.
- "<u>The Day of God</u>"- Is found in 2 Peter 3:12 it is the period when God's people enjoy the new heavens and the new earth, when all evil has been judged (1 Cor. 15:28).
- (v22) God calls all to be SEPARATED from the world. (2 Cor. 6:11 7:1)

> CHAPTER 3 – "More Sins of Judah & Jerusalem"

(v1-9) They have brought evil upon themselves! (Insight on <u>Sodom</u>: The wickedness of its inhabitants brought down upon it fire from heaven, by which it was destroyed (18:16-33; 19:1-29; <u>Deut 23:17</u>). This city and its awful destruction are frequently alluded to in Scripture (<u>Deut 29:23; 32:32; Isa 1:9,10; 3:9; 13:19; Jer 23:14; Ezek 16:46-56; Zeph 2:9; Matt 10:15; Rom 9:29; 2 Peter 2:6, etc.).</u>

(v10-11) Reward to the Righteous! (Psalm 1)

(v12-26) Woe to the wicked and the erring leaders; they plunder the poor; the haughty women will be judged! (For the women of God read 1 Peter 3:3-6)

> CHAPTER 4- "Vision of Christ Kingdom!"

- (v1) Continued from chapter 3
- (v2) "The Branch of the LORD" C.I. Scofield writes, A name of Christ, used in fourfold way:
- (1) "The Branch of Jehovah" (Isaiah 4:2) that is, the "Immanuel" character of Christ Isaiah 7:14 to be fully manifested to restored and converted Israel after His return in divine glory Matthew 25:31.
- (2) the "Branch of David" Isaiah 11:1; Jeremiah 23:5; Jeremiah 33:15 that is, the Messiah, "of the seed of David according to the flesh" Romans 1:3 revealed in His earthly glory as King of kings, and Lord of lords;
- (3) Jehovah's "Servant, the Branch" Zechariah 3:8 Messiah's humiliation and obedience unto death according to; Isaiah 52:13-15; Isaiah 53:1-12; Philippians 2:5-8.
- (4) the "man whose name is the Branch" Zechariah 6:12; Zechariah 6:13 that is His character as Son of man, the "last Adam," the "second Man" 1 Corinthians 15:45-47 reigning, as Priest-King, over the earth in the dominion given to and lost by the first Adam. Matthew is the Gospel of the "Branch of David"; Mark of "Jehovah's Servant, the Branch"; Luke of "the man whose name is the Branch"; John of "the Branch of Jehovah."

(v3-6) In His *Millennial Kingdom* the future inhabitants of Jerusalem will enjoy the Lord's protective covering over the glory on Mt. Zion. This recalls Ezekiel's prophecy of the return of the Shekinah to the temple in Ezekiel 43:2–5.

> CHAPTER 5- "Woe To Israel!"

(v1-7) ISRAEL, the LORD's VINEYARD - Story of the Vineyard - Matthew 21:23-46 (Dear Christian, let's remind ourselves of our own vineyard in John 15:1-17.)

(v8-30) Seven WOES to Israel (Seven "WOES" spoken by JESUS in Matthew chapter 23)