Isaiah Week 35



Chapter 62 to the end of Isaiah focuses on the fulfillment of the kingdom age and all of its benefits.

We will also read about what God has in store for the promised land and for the Jewish nation.

Isaiah 62: 1 (NIV)

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch.

Isaiah 62: 2 (NIV)

The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow.

Isaiah 62: 3 (NIV)

You will be a crown of splendor in the Lord's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Isaiah 62: 4 (NIV)

No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the Lord will take delight in you, and your land will be married.

Hephzibah means: City of God's Delight

Beulah means: Bride of God

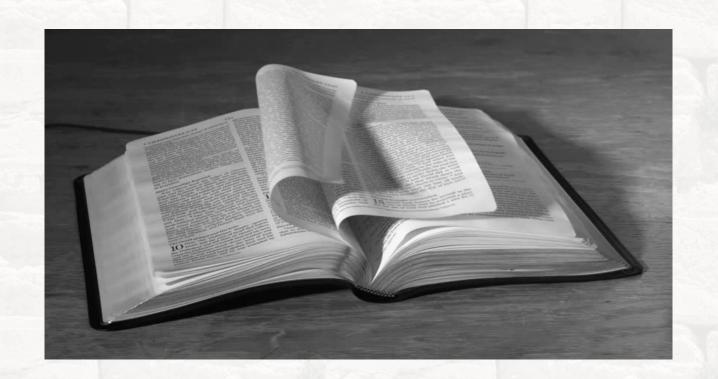
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Isaiah 62: 5 (NIV)

As a young man marries a young woman, so will your Builder marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

Please turn to: Romans 11



Romans 11: 1-2a (NIV)

I ask then: Did God reject his people? By no means! I am an Israelite myself, a descendant of Abraham, from the tribe of Benjamin. God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew.

Romans 11: 25-27 (NIV)

I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in, and in this way all Israel will be saved.

Romans 11: 25-27 (NIV)

As it is written:

"The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob. And this is my covenant with them when I take away their sins."

It is interesting that in the Jewish culture the wedding ritual contains what is called the Yihud (seclusion) which is a 7-day retreat from the crowd and the noise of the celebration.

Isaiah 26: 21-22 (NIV)

Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by. See, the Lord is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins. The earth will disclose the blood shed on it; the earth will conceal its slain no longer.

Isaiah 62: 5 (NIV)

As a young man marries a young woman, so will your Builder marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

Isaiah 62: 6-7 (NIV)

I have posted watchmen on your walls, Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night.

You who call on the Lord, give yourselves no rest, and give him no rest till he establishes

Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth.

Isaiah 62: 8 (NIV)

The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: "Never again will I give your grain as food for your enemies, and never again will foreigners drink the new wine for which you have toiled;

Isaiah 62: 9 (NIV)

but those who harvest it will eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather the grapes will drink it in the courts of my sanctuary."

Isaiah 62: 10 (NIV)

Pass through, pass through the gates! Prepare the way for the people. Build up, build up the highway! Remove the stones. Raise a banner for the nations.

Isaiah 62: 11 (NIV)

The Lord has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your Savior comes! See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him."

Isaiah 62: 12 (NIV)

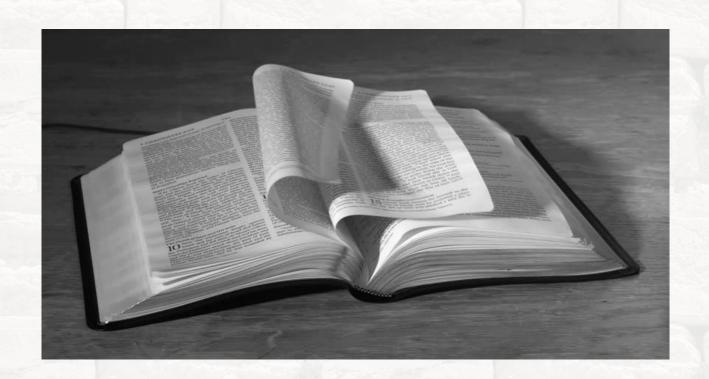
They will be called the Holy People, the Redeemed of the Lord; and you will be called Sought After, the City No Longer Deserted.

Isaiah 63: 1 (NIV)

Who is this coming from Edom, from Bozrah, with his garments stained crimson? Who is this, robed in splendor, striding forward in the greatness of his strength? "It is I, proclaiming victory, mighty to save."

Please turn to:

Matthew 24: 27



Matthew 24: 27 (NIV)

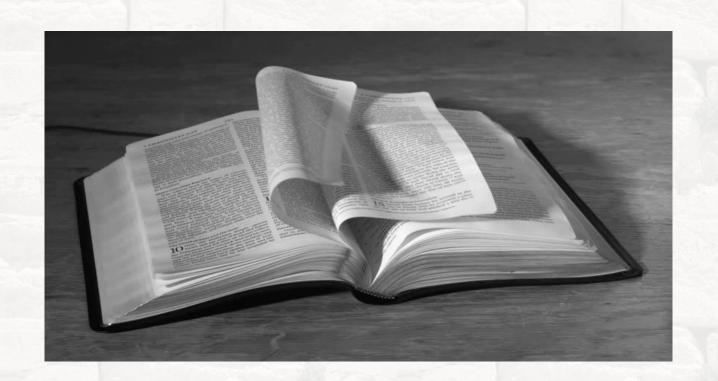
For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

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Please turn to: Jeremiah 49: 22



Jeremiah 49: 22 (NIV)

Look! An eagle will soar and swoop down, spreading its wings over Bozrah. In that day the hearts of Edom's warriors will be like the heart of a woman in labor.

Isaiah 63: 2 (NIV)

Why are your garments red, like those of one treading the winepress?

Question

Why do you think Christ's clothes are stained red?

Isaiah 63: 3 (NIV)

"I have trodden the winepress alone; from the nations no one was with me.

I trampled them in my anger and trod them down in my wrath; their blood spattered my garments, and I stained all my clothing.

Isaiah 63: 4 (NIV)

It was for me the day of vengeance; the year for me to redeem had come.

Isaiah 63: 5 (NIV)

I looked, but there was no one to help, I was appalled that no one gave support; so my own arm achieved salvation for me, and my own wrath sustained me.

Isaiah 63: 6 (NIV)

I trampled the nations in my anger; in my wrath I made them drunk and poured their blood on the ground."

Isaiah 63: 7 (NIV)

I will tell of the kindnesses of the Lord, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the Lord has done for us — yes, the many good things he has done for Israel, according to his compassion and many kindnesses.

Isaiah 63: 8 (NIV)

He said, "Surely they are my people, children who will be true to me"; and so he became their Savior.

Isaiah 63: 9 (NIV)

In all their distress he too was distressed, and the angel of his presence saved them.

In his love and mercy he redeemed them;

he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

Isaiah 63: 10 (NIV)

Yet they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit.

So he turned and became their enemy and he himself fought against them.

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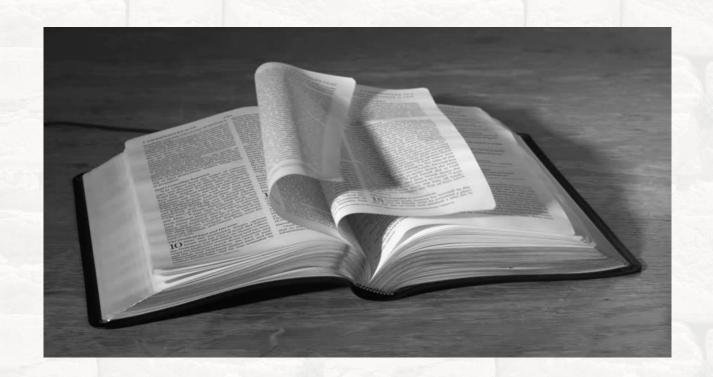
What does it mean to grieve the Holy Spirit?

Question

How do we grieve the Holy Spirit?

Please turn to:

Ephesians 4: 29-32



Ephesians 4: 29-32 (NIV)

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption

Ephesians 4: 29-32 (NIV)

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Isaiah 63: 10 (NIV)

Yet they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit.

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Isaiah 63: 11 (NIV)

Then his people recalled the days of old, the days of Moses and his people where is he who brought them through the sea, with the shepherd of his flock? Where is he who set his Holy Spirit among them,

Isaiah 63: 12 (NIV)

who sent his glorious arm of power to be at Moses' right hand, who divided the waters before them, to gain for himself everlasting renown,

Isaiah 63: 13-14 (NIV)

who led them through the depths? Like a horse in open country, they did not stumble; like cattle that go down to the plain, they were given rest by the Spirit of the Lord.

This is how you guided your people to make for yourself a glorious name.

Isaiah 63: 15 (NIV)

Look down from heaven and see, from your lofty throne, holy and glorious.

Where are your zeal and your might? Your tenderness and compassion are withheld from us.

Isaiah 63: 16 (NIV)

But you are our Father, though Abraham does not know us or Israel acknowledge us; you, Lord, are our Father, our Redeemer from of old is your name.

Isaiah 63: 17 (NIV)

Why, Lord, do you make us wander from your ways and harden our hearts so we do not revere you?

Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes that are your inheritance.

Isaiah 63: 18-19 (NIV)

For a little while your people possessed your holy place, but now our enemies have trampled down your sanctuary. We are yours from of old; but you have not ruled over them, they have not been called by your name.

Isaiah 64: 1 (NIV)

Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains would tremble before you!

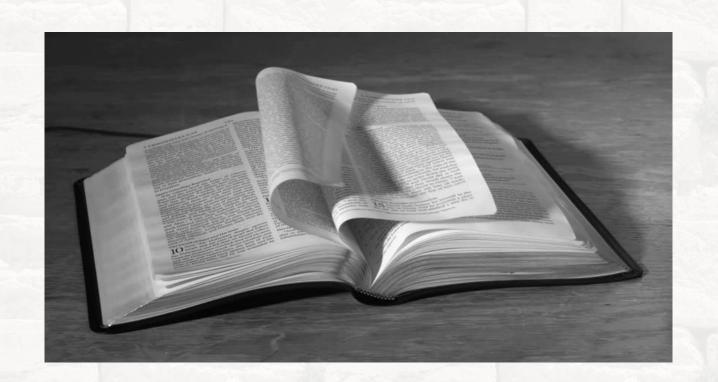
Isaiah 64: 2 (NIV)

As when fire sets twigs ablaze and causes water to boil, come down to make your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to quake before you!

Isaiah 64: 3 (NIV)

For when you did awesome things that we did not expect, you came down, and the mountains trembled before you.

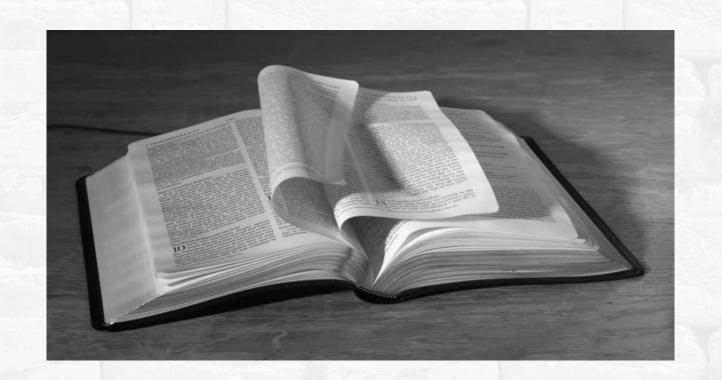
Please turn to: Hosea 5: 14-15



Hosea 5: 14-15 (NIV)

For I will be like a lion to Ephraim, like a great lion to Judah. I will tear them to pieces and go away; I will carry them off, with no one to rescue them. Then I will return to my lair until they have borne their guilt and seek my face — in their misery they will earnestly seek me."

Please turn to: Jeremiah 30: 4-7



Jeremiah 30: 4-7 (NIV)

These are the words the Lord spoke concerning Israel and Judah: "This is what the Lord says: "'Cries of fear are heard – terror, not peace. Ask and see: Can a man bear children? Then why do I see every strong man with his hands on his stomach like a woman in labor, every face turned deathly pale?

Jeremiah 30: 4-7 (NIV)

How awful that day will be! No other will be like it. It will be a time of trouble for Jacob, but he will be saved out of it.

Question

Why does satan want to destroy Jerusalem and the Jewish people?

It is not a coincidence

- Israel is a superpower and many desire their land.
- Israel is surrounded right now by Islamist.
- "Ezekiel's Nations" are all lined up.
- Anti-Semitism is spreading around the world.
- Jerusalem / Israel / Temple Mount drives foreign Policies.
- Europe can no longer protect it's Jews from the Islamist.
- Muslims are being elected to governments around the world.

Isaiah 64: 4 (NIV)

Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him.

Question

What does it mean to wait on God?

Isaiah 64: 5 (NIV)

You come to the help of those who gladly do right, who remember your ways. But when we continued to sin against them, you were angry. How then can we be saved?

Isaiah 64: 6 (NIV)

All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away.

Isaiah 64: 7 (NIV)

No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins.

Question

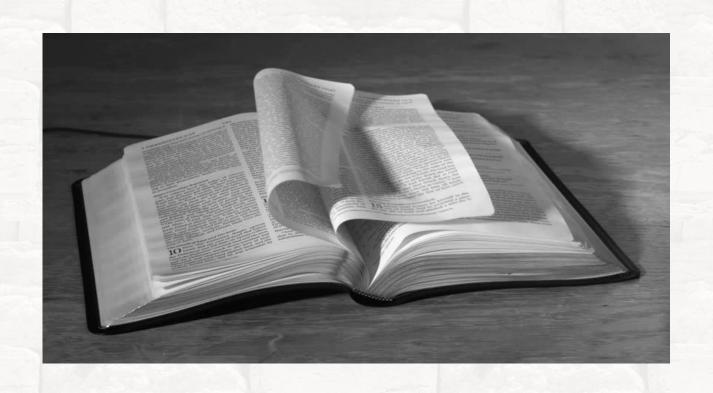
How do we know if God has hidden his face from a nation?

Isaiah 64: 7 (NIV)

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Please turn to:

Romans 1: 18-32



Romans 1: 18 (NASB)

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

Question

Who is God's wrath being unleashed on?

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

Question

Do we see the truth suppressed today?

because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them.

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

Question

Would you say there was at time in American History that America knew God?

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Professing to be wise, they became fools,



and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures.

For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

Evolution

The ways of the world teaches us that God did not create, the creatures did. Man originated from birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures.

Darwin publishes On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection, the first detailed explanation of natural selection. The book becomes a sensation and sparks a contentious debate in Britain.

American evangelists, including Dwight L. Moody, begin attacking evolution, arguing that Darwin's theory contradicts biblical truth. By the 1920s, many theologically conservative Christian ministers and pastors are publicly opposed to teaching evolution in public schools.

In State of Tennessee v. Scopes, public school teacher John Scopes is convicted of teaching evolution in violation of Tennessee's ban on the practice; Scopes' conviction is later overturned on the basis of a legal technicality.



The United States Supreme Court decision in Engel v. Vitale ends prayer in public schools because it violates the First Amendment by constituting an establishment of religion.

The Supreme Court in Abington School District v. Schempp, ends Bible readings in public schools because it violated the First Amendment by constituting an establishment of religion.

In Epperson v. Arkansas, the U.S. Supreme Court rules that an Arkansas law making it a crime to teach evolution in public schools and state universities violates the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Under the "Lemon test," a law must have a secular purpose, not advance or inhibit religion and not excessively entangle the government with religion. The Lemon test will be applied to subsequent cases on the teaching of evolution.

The National Center for Science Education is founded to advocate the teaching of evolution in public schools.

In McLean v. Arkansas Board of Education, a federal court strikes down an Arkansas law requiring public schools to teach creation science alongside evolution.

In Edwards v. Aguillard, the Supreme Court rejects as unconstitutional a Louisiana law prohibiting the teaching of evolution in public schools if creation science is not taught alongside it. The court rules that the law had a religious purpose.

Romans 1: 24-25 (NASB)

Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them.

Isaiah 64: 7 (NIV)

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The sexual revolution of the 1960s grew from a conviction that one's sexual desires should be celebrated as a normal part of life and not repressed by family, morality, religion or the state.

For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural,

Question

Again we see that "God gave them over". What does that mean?

and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another,

men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.

Romans 1: 28 (NASB)

And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper,

Question

What does it mean to have a depraved mind?

The Supreme Court of the United State's 1973 landmark decision in Roe v. Wade, and subsequent companion decisions, is that abortion is legal.

In 2019, the Indiana legislature approved the legalization of sports gambling starting in September.

The recreational use of marijuana is legalized in 11 states (Alaska, California, Colorado, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nevada, Oregon, Vermont, and Washington), the District of Columbia, the Northern Mariana Islands, and Guam.

New York State

Lawmakers push to legalize prostitution in New York

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Albany, N.Y. — Several New York lawmakers are planning a push to legalize prostitution in the state.

State Sens. Jessica Ramos, Julia Salazar, Brad Hoylman and Assemblyman Richard Gottfried are working on the bill with Decrim NY, a coalition of 20 different groups focused on the issue.

Ramos and Salazar discussed the idea in an op-ed published in the New York Daily News on Monday.



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A federal judge in Oregon issued a ruling in 2018 saying that forcing transgendered student to use restrooms that correspond with the gender they were assigned at birth would violate civil rights law.

Equality Act: US House passes legislation protecting LGBT rights

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Oregon 1st state to decriminalize possession of hard drugs

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SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Police in Oregon can no longer arrest someone for possession of small amounts of heroin, methamphetamine, LSD, oxycodone and other hard drugs as a ballot measure that decriminalized them took effect on Monday.

The Movement To Abolish Prisons And The Police

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35-Minute Listen







Since the killing of George Floyd by police officers, more and more of us have been taking a critical look at the criminal justice system.

Polls show that most Americans support some kind of prison reform, but there's a group of people who want to change the system entirely.

Abolitionists advocate for the absence of punitive structures and the development of a society that doesn't use punishment as the primary solution for transgression. It's as much about building systems that support communities as it is about doing away with cages and those that lock them.



Protesters march by a mural of Frederick Douglas, during a march in memory of Rayshard Brooks and other victims of police violence in Boston, Massachusetts.

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Romans 1: 28 (NASB)

And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper,

Romans 1: 29-30 (NASB)

They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity.

Romans 1: 29-30 (NASB)

They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy.

Romans 1: 31 (NASB)

Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.

Question

Who knows God's righteous decree?

Question

So what is the last stage of God giving us up?

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Starting Sunday, May 23, 2021

