Isaiah Week 23



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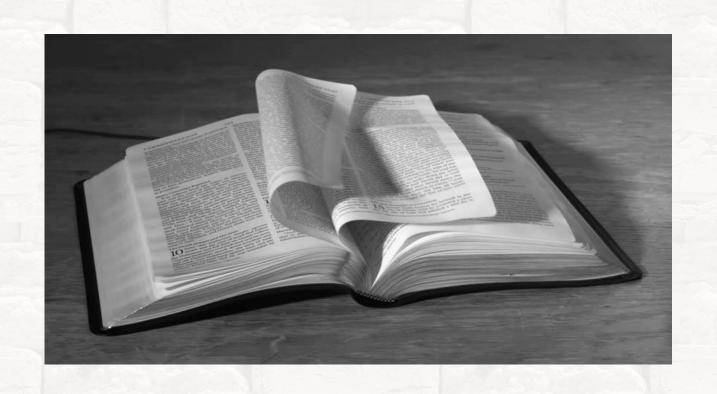
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What does justice mean?

Act of deciding a case, pronouncing sentencing and execution of judgement.

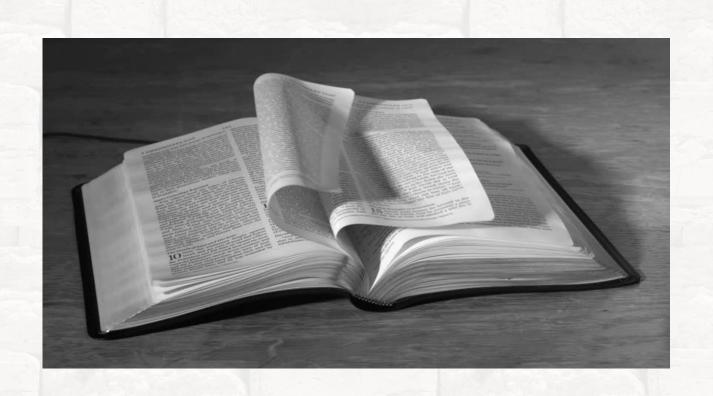
Please turn to: Romans 3: 23



Romans 3: 23 (NASB)

for <u>all have sinned</u> and fall short of the glory of God,

Please turn to: Romans 6: 23



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For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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What is the first step of revival?

Isaiah 30: 19 (NIV)

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Isaiah 30: 19 (NIV)

People of Zion (America), who live in Jerusalem (Rushville), you will weep no more. How gracious he will be when you cry for help! As soon as he hears, he will answer you.

What happens when revival occurs?

Isaiah 30: 20 (NIV)

Although the Lord gives you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, your teachers will be hidden no more; with your own eyes you will see them.

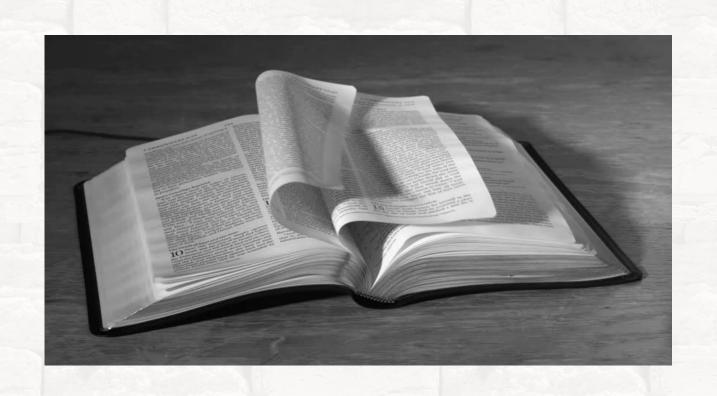
Isaiah 30: 21 (NIV)

Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it."

What voice should we be listening to that guides us in the way to walk?



Please turn to: 1 John 4: 1-6



1 John 4: 1-6 (NIV)

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

1 John 4: 1-6 (NIV)

This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God,

1 John 4: 1-6 (NIV)

but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.



What happens in our lives when we submit to the leading of the Holy Spirit?

Isaiah 30: 22 (NIV)

Then you will desecrate your idols overlaid with silver and your images covered with gold; you will throw them away like a menstrual cloth and say to them, "Away with you!"

What happens to a nation that cries out to God, repents and submits to the Holy Spirit?

Isaiah 30: 23 (NIV)

He will also send you rain for the seed you sow in the ground, and the food that comes from the land will be rich and plentiful. In that day your cattle will graze in broad meadows.

Isaiah 30: 24 (NIV)

The oxen and donkeys that work the soil will eat fodder and mash, spread out with fork and shovel.

God blesses a nation that cries out to God, repents and submits to the Holy Spirit!

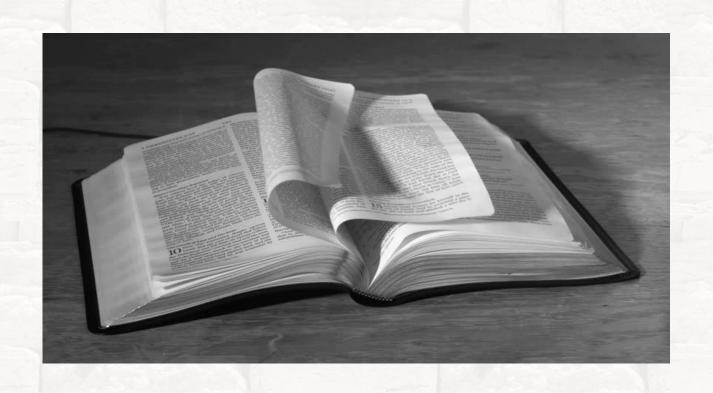
Isaiah 30: 25 (NIV)

In the day of great slaughter, when the towers fall, streams of water will flow on every high mountain and every lofty hill.

Isaiah 30: 26 (NIV)

The moon will shine like the sun, and the sunlight will be seven times brighter, like the light of seven full days, when the Lord binds up the bruises of his people and heals the wounds he inflicted.

Please turn to: Revelation 19: 11-16



Revelation 19: 11-16 (NIV)

I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war.

Revelation 19: 11-16 (NIV)

His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God.

Revelation 19: 11-16 (NIV)

The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "

Revelation 19: 11-16 (NIV)

"He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:

KING OF KING AND LORD OF LORDS.

Isaiah 30: 27 (NIV)

See, the Name of the Lord comes from afar, with burning anger and dense clouds of smoke; his lips are full of wrath, and his tongue is a consuming fire.

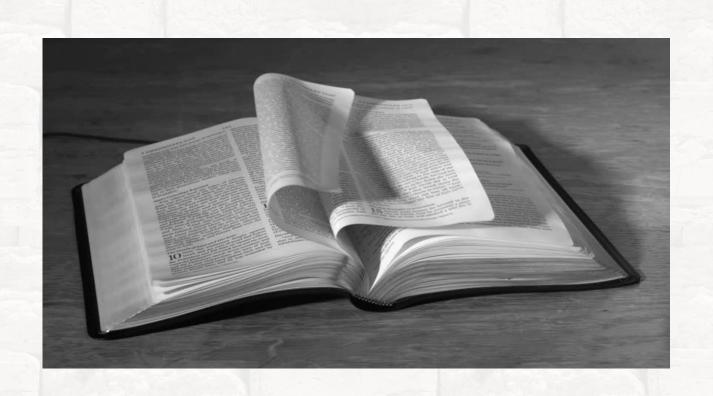
Isaiah 30: 28 (NIV)

His breath is like a rushing torrent, rising up to the neck. He shakes the nations in the sieve of destruction; he places in the jaws of the peoples a bit that leads them astray.

Isaiah 30: 29 (NIV)

And you will sing as on the night you celebrate a holy festival; your hearts will rejoice as when people playing pipes go to the mountain of the Lord, to the Rock of Israel.

Please turn to: Revelation 5: 6-10



Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders.

The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne.

And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people.

And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.

You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."

Isaiah 30: 30 (NIV)

The Lord will cause people to hear his majestic voice and will make them see his arm coming down with raging anger and consuming with cloudburst, thunderstorm and hail.

Isaiah 30: 31 (NIV)

The voice of the Lord will shatter Assyria; with his rod he will strike them down.

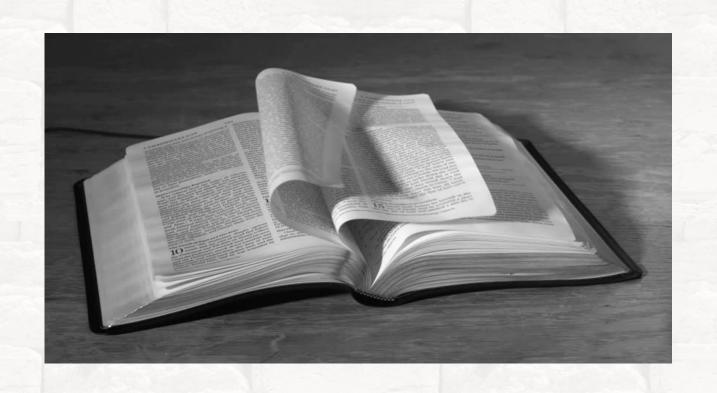
Isaiah 30: 33 (NIV)

Topheth has long been prepared; it has been made ready for the king.

Its fire pit has been made deep and wide, with an abundance of fire and wood;

the breath of the Lord, like a stream of burning sulfur, sets it ablaze.

Please turn to: 2 Kings 23: 10

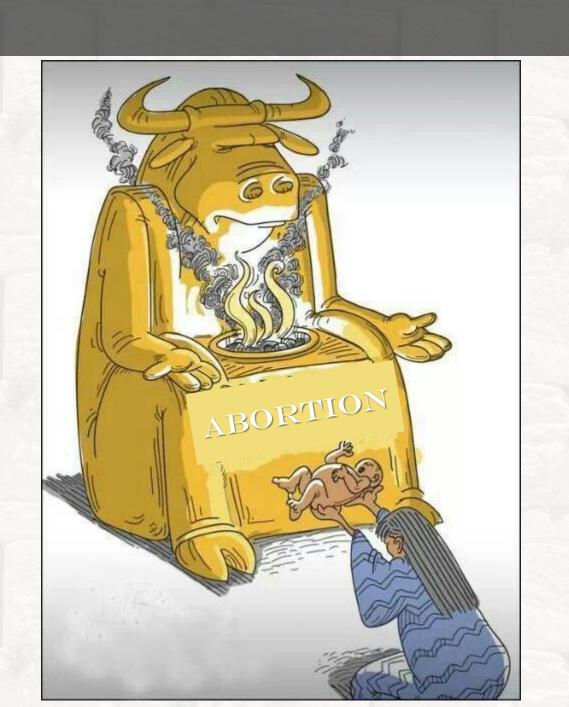


2 Kings 23: 10 (NIV)

He desecrated Topheth, which was in the Valley of Ben Hinnom, so no one could use it to sacrifice their son or daughter in the fire to Molek.

Question

Do people sacrifice their sons and daughters today?



Isaiah 31: 1 (NIV)

Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help, who rely on horses, who trust in the multitude of their chariots and in the great strength of their horsemen, but do not look to the Holy One of Israel, or seek help from the Lord.

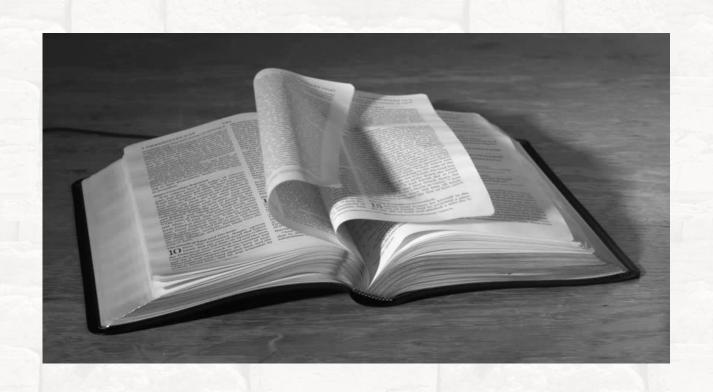
Question

Who are the Israelites putting their trust in?

Question

Who should we put our trust in?

Please turn to: Psalm 20: 7



Psalm 20: 7 (NIV)

Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

Isaiah 31: 2 (NIV)

Yet he too is wise and can bring disaster;

he does not take back his words.

He will rise up against that wicked nation,

against those who help evildoers.

Isaiah 31: 3 (NIV)

But the Egyptians are mere mortals and not God; their horses are flesh and not spirit.

When the Lord stretches out his hand, those who help will stumble, those who are helped will fall; all will perish together.

Fill in the Blank

The _____ are mere mortals and not God

Isaiah 31: 4 (NIV)

This is what the Lord says to me:

"As a lion growls, a great lion over its prey and though a whole band of shepherds is called together against it,

Isaiah 31: 4 (NIV)

it is not frightened by their shouts or disturbed by their clamor so the Lord Almighty will come down to do battle on Mount Zion and on its heights.

Question

Who does the Lion of the Tribe of Judah fear?

Question

So who should we put our trust in?

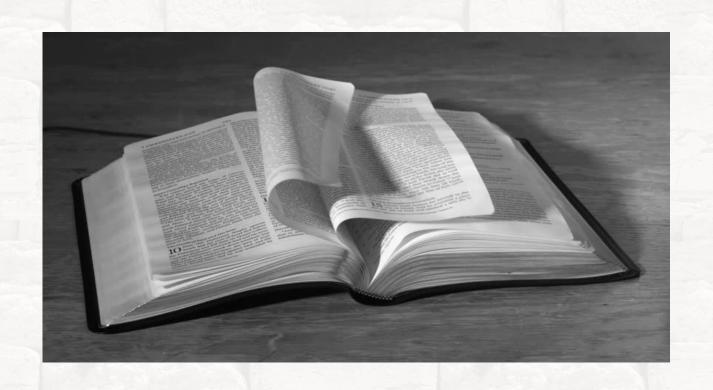
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Please turn to:

Ezekiel 44: 1-3



Ezekiel 44: 1-3 (NIV)

Then the man brought me back to the outer gate of the sanctuary, the one facing east, and it was shut.

Ezekiel 44: 1-3 (NIV)

"This gate is to remain shut. It must not be opened; no one may enter through it. It is to remain shut because the Lord, the God of Israel, has entered through it.

The Old City of Jerusalem is surrounded by a large wall which has eight major gates. The Eastern Gate, facing the Mount of Olives, is unique, as it is sealed shut.

The gate in its present form was sealed by the Ottoman Sultan Suleiman in 1541.

The sealing shut of the gate as completed by Suleiman is said to have been a defensive move by the sultan.

The sultan believed the gate will be the point at which the Jewish Messiah will enter upon His return to the city of Jerusalem, and therefore, in order to prevent this from occurring, the sultan sealed the gate.

A Muslim graveyard was also placed in front of the gate as Jews believe walking over a grave defiles oneself.



Isaiah 31: 5 (NIV)

Like birds hovering overhead, the Lord Almighty will shield Jerusalem; he will shield it and deliver it, he will 'pass over' it and will rescue it."

Isaiah 31: 6 (NIV)

Return, you Israelites, to the One you have so greatly revolted against.

Question

What does God want each of us to do?

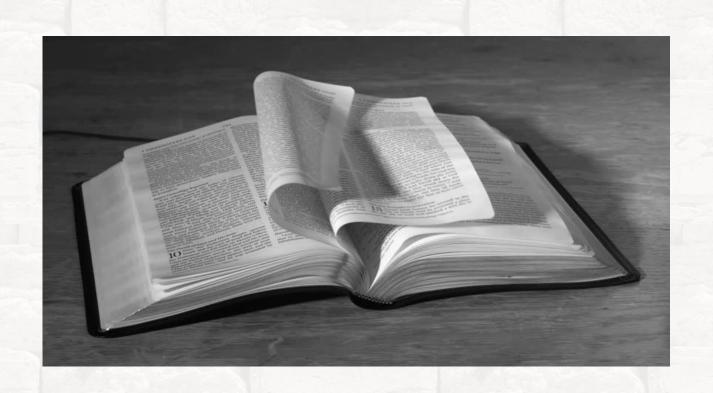
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Isaiah 31: 7 (NIV)

For in that day every one of you will reject the idols of silver and gold your sinful hands have made.

Please turn to: Philippians 2: 9-11



Philippians 2: 9-11 (NIV)

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

Philippians 2: 9-11 (NIV)

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Isaiah 31: 8 (NIV)

"Assyria will fall by no human sword;

a sword, not of mortals, will devour them.

They will flee before the sword and their young men will be put to forced labor.

Fill in the Blank

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Isaiah 31: 9 (NIV)

Their stronghold will fall because of terror; at the sight of the battle standard their commanders will panic," declares the Lord, whose fire is in Zion, whose furnace is in Jerusalem.

Isaiah 32: 1 (NIV)

See, a king will reign in righteousness and rulers will rule with justice.

Isaiah 32: 2 (NIV)

Each one will be like a shelter from the wind and a refuge from the storm, like streams of water in the desert and the shadow of a great rock in a thirsty land.

Isaiah 32: 3 (NIV)

Then the eyes of those who see will no longer be closed, and the ears of those who hear will listen.

Isaiah 32: 4 (NIV)

The fearful heart will know and understand, and the stammering tongue will be fluent and clear.

Isaiah 32: 5 (NIV)

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Question

In the end times, before Christ's return, who does Isaiah prophecy will be called nobles and highly respected?

Isaiah 32: 5 (NIV)

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Isaiah 32: 5 (NLT)

In that day <u>ungodly fools</u> will not <u>be heroes</u>. Scoundrels will not be <u>respected</u>.

Question

How do you identify a fool?

Isaiah 32: 6 (NIV)

For fools speak folly, their hearts are bent on evil: They practice ungodliness and spread error concerning the Lord;

the hungry they leave empty and from the thirsty they withhold water.

Question

How do you identify a scoundrel?

Isaiah 32: 7 (NIV)

Scoundrels use wicked methods, they make up evil schemes to destroy the poor with lies, even when the plea of the needy is just.

Isaiah 32: 8 (NIV)

But the noble make noble plans, and by noble deeds they stand.