

# Isaiah Week 12

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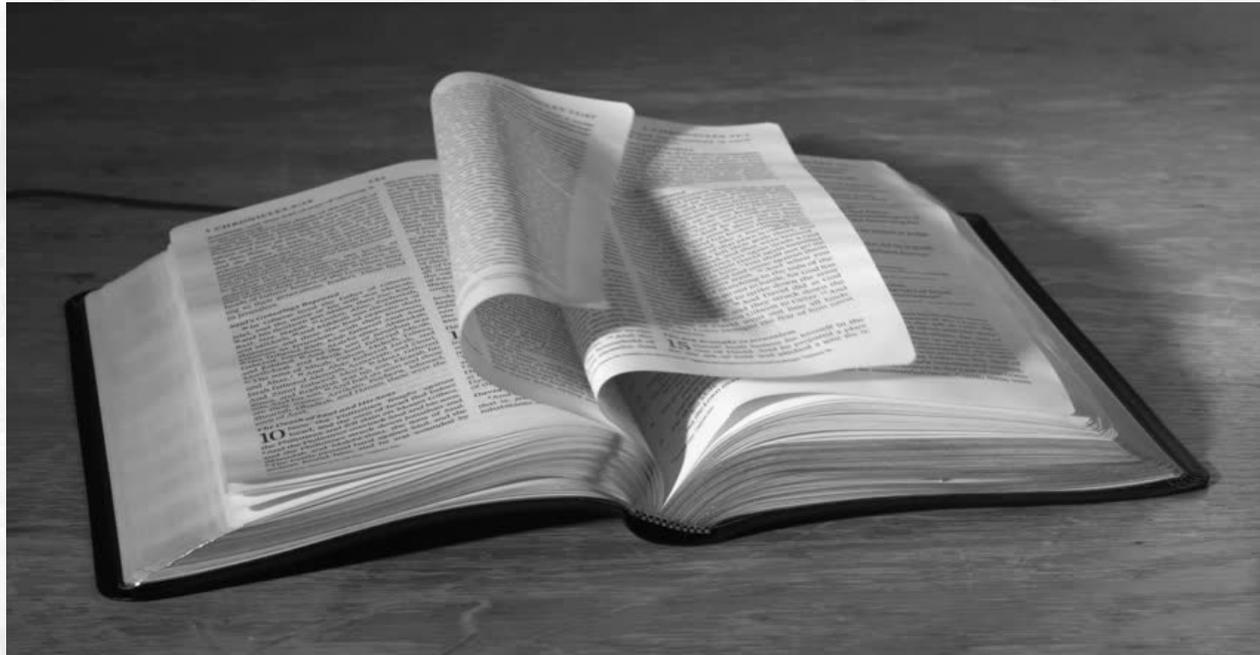
THE FIFTH GOSPEL



When Israel would go astray  
God would send them warnings  
through His Prophets. If the  
people heeded the warning, then  
God would bring them  
restoration.

If the people rejected the  
warning He would send them  
His discipline and punishment -  
by allowing an enemy nation to  
attack.

Please turn to:  
Deuteronomy 28



# Question

Think about the United States as  
One Nation under God when we  
read Deuteronomy 28

# Deuteronomy 28: 1-2 (NIV)

*If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God:*

# Deuteronomy 28: 3-6 (NIV)

- *You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country.*
- *The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock – the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 3-6 (NIV)

- *Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed.*
- *You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 7 (NIV)

- *The Lord will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 8-9 (NIV)

*The Lord will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The Lord your God will bless you in the land he is giving you.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 8-9 (NIV)

*The Lord will establish you as his holy people, as he promised you on oath, if you keep the commands of the Lord your God and walk in obedience to him.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 10-11 (NIV)

*Then all the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the Lord, and they will fear you. The Lord will grant you abundant prosperity – in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your ground – in the land he swore to your ancestors to give you.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 12 (NIV)

*The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 13 (NIV)

*The Lord will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the Lord your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom.*

# Question

Why has the United States been such a blessed and powerful nation since it was established?

# Question

Think about the United States as  
One Nation turning away from  
God when we read  
Deuteronomy 28

# Deuteronomy 28: 15 (NIV)

*However, if you do not obey the Lord your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come on you and overtake you:*

# Deuteronomy 28: 16-18 (NIV)

- *You will be cursed in the city and cursed in the country.*
- *Your basket and your kneading trough will be cursed.*
- *The fruit of your womb will be cursed, and the crops of your land, and the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 19-20 (NIV)

*You will be cursed when you come in and cursed when you go out. The Lord will send on you curses, confusion and rebuke in everything you put your hand to, until you are destroyed and come to sudden ruin because of the evil you have done in forsaking him.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 20 (NLT)

*“The LORD himself will send on you curses, confusion, and frustration in everything you do, until at last you are completely destroyed for doing evil and abandoning me.*”

# Deuteronomy 28: 28 (NIV)

*The Lord will afflict you with  
madness, blindness and confusion  
of mind.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 28 (NLT)

*The Lord will strike you with  
madness, blindness, and panic.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 29 (NIV)

*At midday you will grope about like a blind person in the dark. You will be unsuccessful in everything you do; day after day you will be oppressed and robbed, with no one to rescue you.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 43 (NIV)

*The foreigners who reside among you will rise above you higher and higher, but you will sink lower and lower.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 43 (NLT)

*“The foreigners living among you  
will become stronger and stronger,  
while you become weaker and  
weaker.”*

# Deuteronomy 28: 43-44 (NIV)

*They will lend to you, but you will not lend to them.* *They will be the head, but you will be the tail.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 45-48 (NIV)

*All these curses will come on you. They will pursue you and overtake you until you are destroyed, because you did not obey the Lord your God and observe the commands and decrees he gave you.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 45-48 (NIV)

*They will be a sign and a wonder to you and your descendants forever. Because you did not serve the Lord your God joyfully and gladly in the time of prosperity, therefore in hunger and thirst, in nakedness and dire poverty, you will serve the enemies the Lord sends against you.*

# Deuteronomy 28: 45-48 (NIV)

*He will put an iron yoke on your neck  
until he has destroyed you.*

# Isaiah 8: 5-6 (NIV)

*The Lord spoke to me again:*

*“Because this people has rejected*

*the gently flowing waters of  
Shiloah*

*and rejoices over Rezin and the son  
of Remaliah,*

# Question

Who is this people?

# Isaiah 8: 5-6 (NIV)

*The Lord spoke to me again:*

*“Because this people has rejected*

*the gently flowing waters of  
Shiloah*

*and rejoices over Rezin and the son  
of Remaliah,*

# Question

What does the gently flowing waters of Shiloah mean to you?

# Isaiah 8: 5-6 (NIV)

*The Lord spoke to me again:*

*“Because this people has rejected  
the gently flowing waters of  
Shiloah*

*and rejoices over Rezin and the son  
of Remaliah,*

The Jews in the Northern  
Kingdom have chosen the  
government over the peace of  
Jehovah!

# Question

What happens when you trust in something instead of God?

# Question

What do we tend to put  
our trust in?

# Question

Look at the following picture.

Why did our government  
decided to do this?



# Question

Do you know what the official motto of the United States is?

Public Law 851

CHAPTER 795

JOINT RESOLUTION

July 30, 1956  
[H. J. Res. 396]

To establish a national motto of the United States.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the national motto of the United States is hereby declared to be "In God we trust."*

Approved July 30, 1956.

## Isaiah 8: 7 (NIV)

*therefore the Lord is about to bring  
against them the mighty  
floodwaters of the Euphrates –  
the king of Assyria with all his  
pomp.*

*It will overflow all its channels, run  
over all its banks*

## Isaiah 8: 8 (NIV)

*and sweep on into Judah, swirling  
over it,*

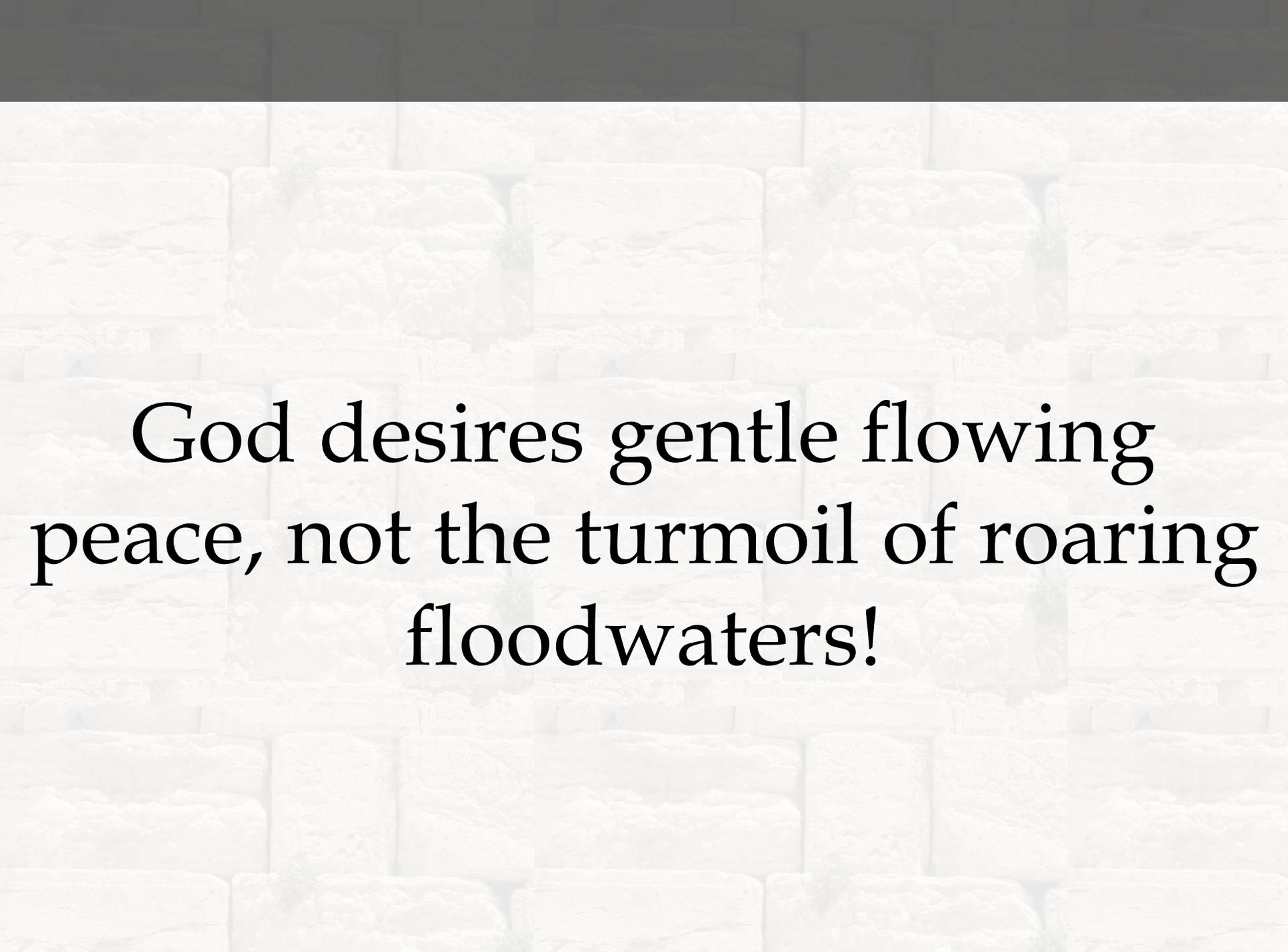
*passing through it and reaching  
up to the neck.*

*Its outspread wings will cover the  
breadth of your land,*

*Immanuel!”*

# Question

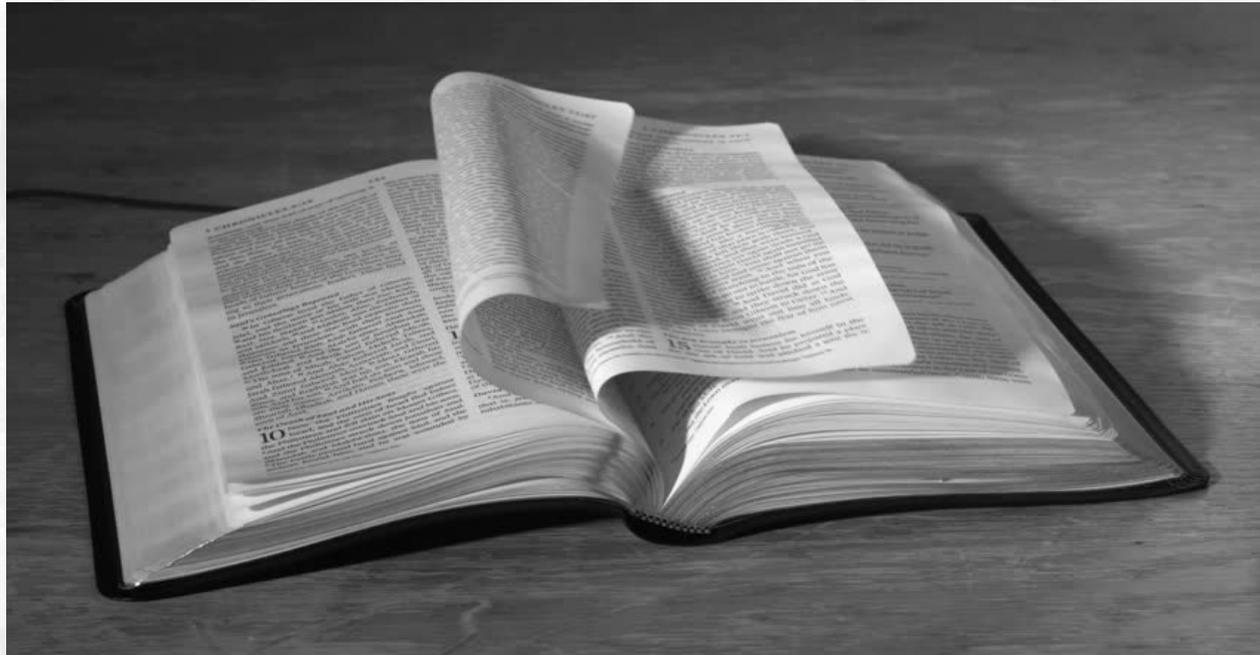
Would you rather live near the gently flowing waters of Shiloah or in the mighty floodwaters?



God desires gentle flowing  
peace, not the turmoil of roaring  
floodwaters!

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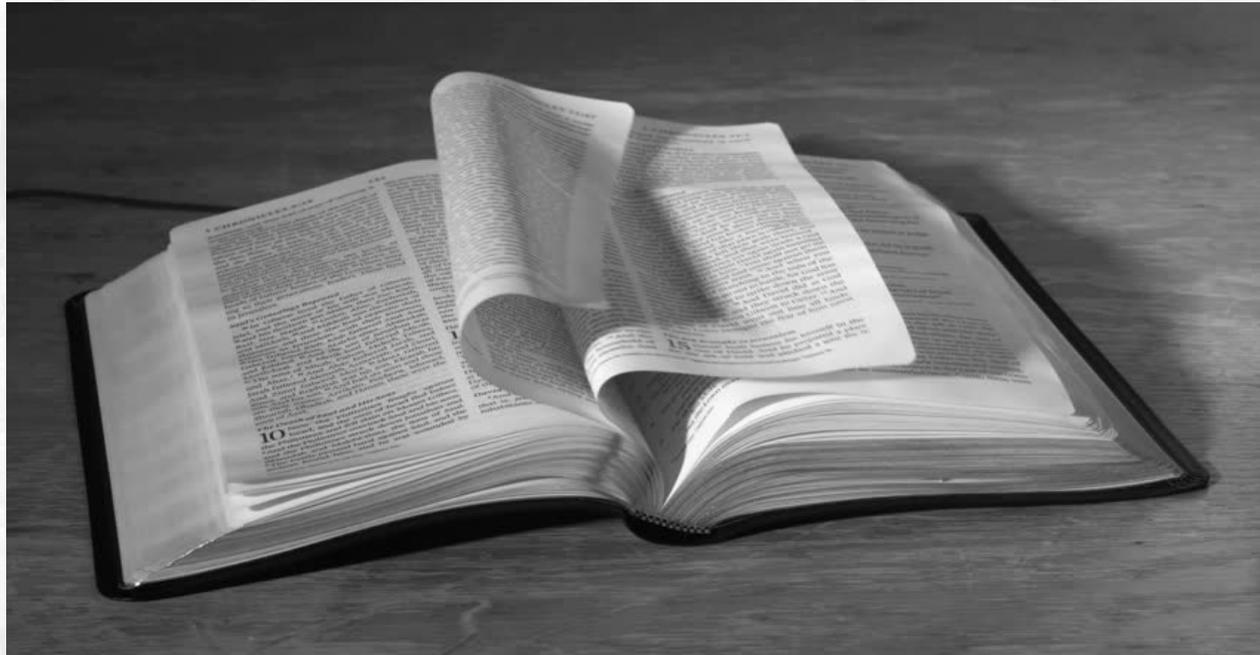
Romans 5: 1



# Romans 5: 1 (NIV)

*Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,*

Please turn to:  
Colossians 1: 20



# Colossians 1: 20 (NIV)

*and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.*





# Isaiah 8: 9 (NIV)

*Raise the war cry, you nations, and  
be shattered!*

*Listen, all you distant lands.*

*Prepare for battle, and be shattered!*

*Prepare for battle, and be  
shattered!*

# Isaiah 8: 10 (NIV)

*Devise your strategy, but it will be  
thwarted;*

*propose your plan, but it will not  
stand,*

*for God is with us.*

# Isaiah 8: 11 (NIV)

*This is what the Lord says to me  
with his strong hand upon me,  
warning me not to follow the way of  
this people:*

# Question

Even though Isaiah is living among people turning against God, where is God's hand?

# Isaiah 8: 11 (NIV)

*This is what the Lord says to me  
with his strong hand upon me,  
warning me not to follow the way of  
this people:*

# Question

How does that apply to us  
today?

# Isaiah 8: 11 (NIV)

*This is what the Lord says to me  
with his strong hand upon me,  
warning me not to follow the  
way of this people:*

# Question

What is God warning us to do in a land turning away from Him?

# Question

How do we not follow the way  
of the people in the nation in  
which we live?

# Isaiah 8: 12 (NIV)

*“Do not call conspiracy everything  
this people calls a conspiracy;  
do not fear what they fear, and do  
not dread it.*

# Question

Who is this written to?

# Isaiah 8: 10 (NIV)

*Devise your strategy, but it will be  
thwarted;*

*propose your plan, but it will not  
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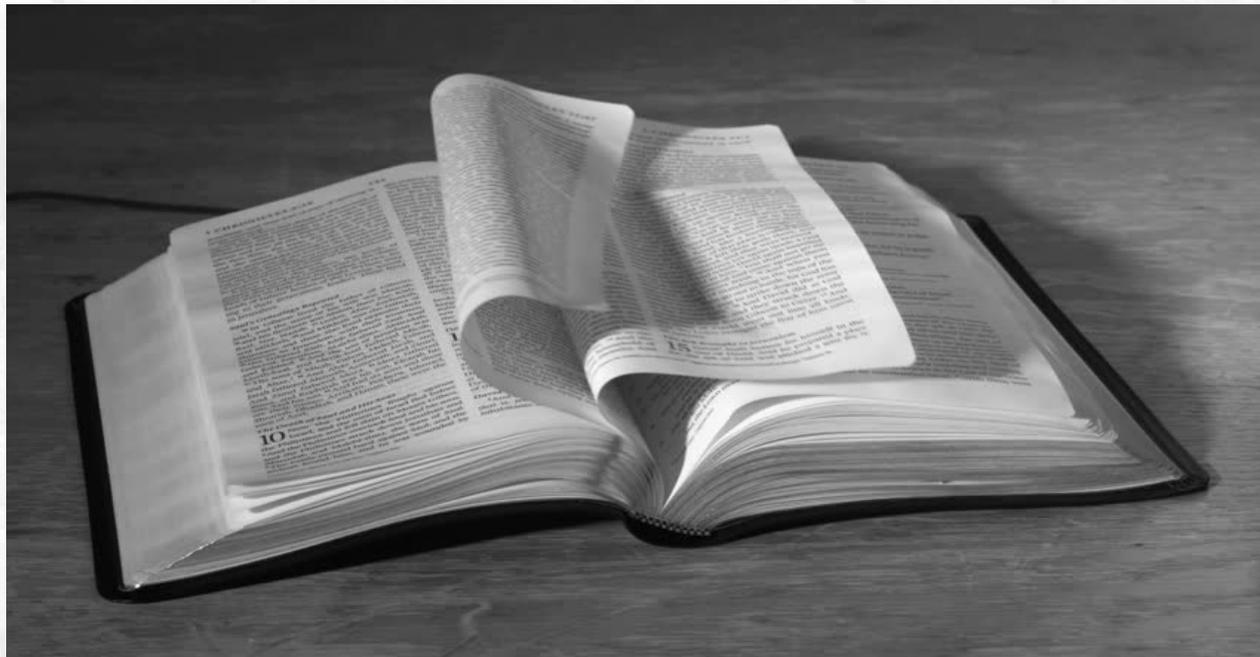
# Question

Can we apply this to the uncertainty of our nation today?

# Isaiah 8: 12 (NIV)

*“Do not call conspiracy everything  
this people calls a conspiracy;  
do not fear what they fear, and do  
not dread it.*

Please turn to:  
Matthew 6: 28-34



# Matthew 6: 28-34 (NIV)

*“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.*”

# Matthew 6: 28-34 (NIV)

*If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith?*

# Matthew 6: 28-34 (NIV)

*So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.*

## Matthew 6: 28-34 (NIV)

*But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

*Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.*

# Question

Who should we fear?

# Isaiah 8: 12 (NIV)

*“Do not call conspiracy everything  
this people calls a conspiracy;  
do not fear what they fear, and do  
not dread it.*

# Isaiah 8: 13 (NIV)

*The Lord Almighty is the one you  
are to regard as holy,  
he is the one you are to fear,  
he is the one you are to dread.*

# Question

What does it mean when God says He wants us to dread Him?

# Isaiah 8: 14 (NIV)

*He will be a holy place;*

*for both Israel and Judah he will  
be a stone that causes people to  
stumble and a rock that makes them  
fall.*

*And for the people of Jerusalem he  
will be a trap and a snare.*

# Isaiah 8: 15 (NIV)

*Many of them will stumble;  
they will fall and be broken,  
they will be snared and  
captured.”*

## Isaiah 8: 16-17 (NIV)

*Bind up this testimony of warning and seal up God's instruction among my disciples.*

*I will wait for the Lord, who is hiding his face from the descendants of Jacob.*

*I will put my trust in him.*

# Question

What does it mean to: *Bind up this testimony of warning and seal up God's instruction among my disciples?*

As a nation turns against God  
and God's wrath falls upon them  
we who are children of God will  
hold dear the Word of God.

The Word becomes increasingly  
precious as the days grow  
darker.

# Question

What should we do when our  
Nation turns away from God?

## Isaiah 8: 16-17 (NIV)

*Bind up this testimony of warning  
and seal up God's instruction  
among my disciples.*

*I will wait for the Lord, who is  
hiding his face from the  
descendants of Jacob.*

*I will put my trust in him.*

# Question

How do we put our trust in  
Him?

# Isaiah 8: 18 (NIV)

*Here am I, and the children the Lord  
has given me. We are signs and  
symbols in Israel from the Lord  
Almighty, who dwells on Mount  
Zion.*

# Isaiah 8: 19 (NIV)

*When someone tells you to consult mediums and spiritists, who whisper and mutter, should not a people inquire of their God? Why consult the dead on behalf of the living?*

# Isaiah 8: 20 (NIV)

Consult God's instruction and  
the testimony of warning. If  
anyone does not speak according to  
this word, they have no light of  
dawn.

# Question

How do we consult God's instruction and testimony?

# Isaiah 8: 20 (NIV)

*Consult God's instruction and the testimony of warning. If anyone does not speak according to this word, they have no light of dawn.*



## Isaiah 8: 21 (NIV)

*Distressed and hungry, they will roam through the land; when they are famished, they will become enraged and, looking upward, will curse their king and their God.*

# Question

Who is this verse talking about?

## Isaiah 8: 21 (NIV)

*Distressed and hungry, they will roam through the land; when they are famished, they will become enraged and, looking upward, will curse their king and their God.*

# Isaiah 8: 22 (NIV)

*Then they will look toward the earth  
and see only distress and darkness  
and fearful gloom, and they will be  
thrust into utter darkness.*

# Question

Who are these people looking  
to?

# Question

What do you find when you  
look to the earth for the  
answers?

# Isaiah 8: 22 (NIV)

*Then they will look toward the earth  
and see only distress and  
darkness and fearful gloom, and  
they will be thrust into utter  
darkness.*

# Question

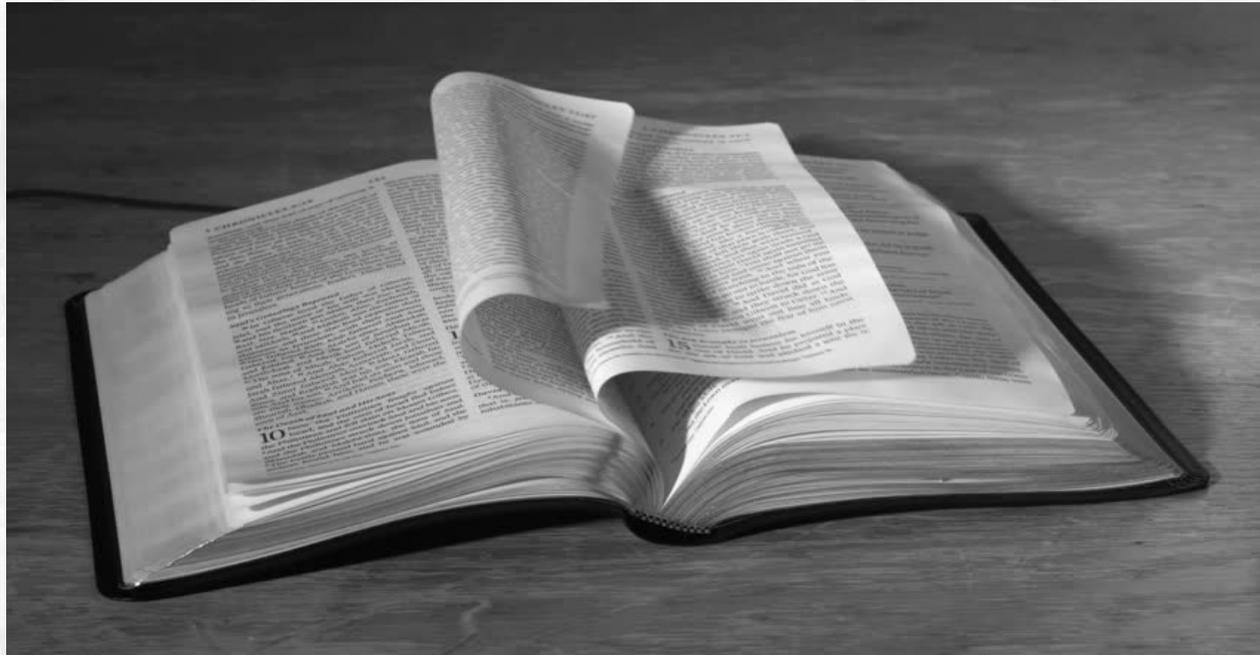
Who are we to look to?

# Isaiah 8: 20 (NIV)

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the testimony of warning. If  
anyone does not speak according to  
this word, they have no light of  
dawn.

During this time of uncertainty  
please join me in reading the  
following out loud to each of us

# Numbers 6: 24-26



# Numbers 6: 24-26 (NIV)

*The Lord bless you*

# Numbers 6: 24-26 (NIV)

*and keep you*

# Numbers 6: 24-26 (NIV)

*the Lord make his face  
shine on you*

# Numbers 6: 24-26 (NIV)

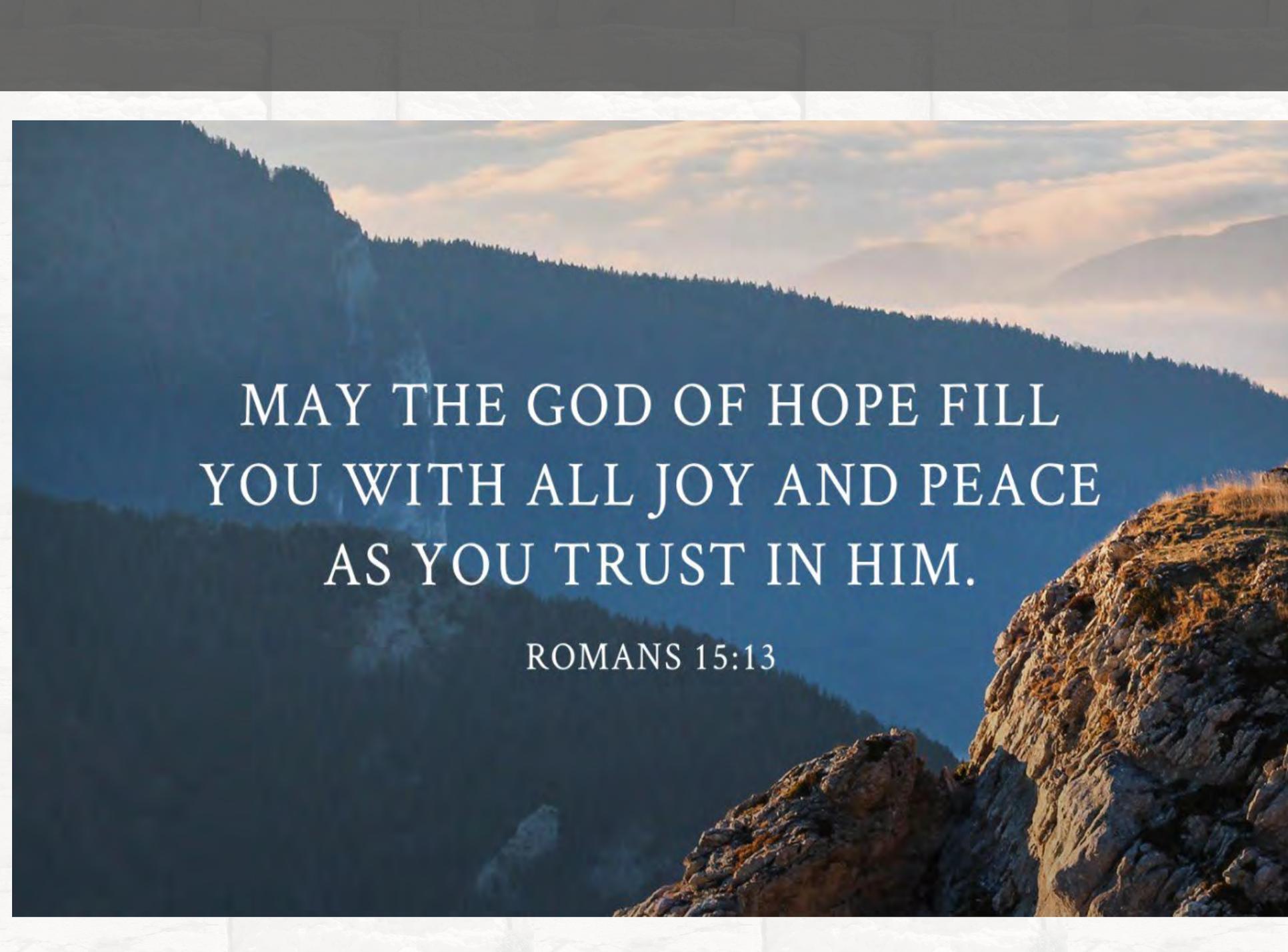
*and be gracious to you;*

# Numbers 6: 24-26 (NIV)

*the Lord turn his face  
toward you*

# Numbers 6: 24-26 (NIV)

*and give you peace.”’*



MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL  
YOU WITH ALL JOY AND PEACE  
AS YOU TRUST IN HIM.

ROMANS 15:13