

Isaiah

“The Evangelical Prophet”

I. God’s *Denunciation* of Judah (1:1-12:6)

II. God’s *Denunciations* against other Nations
(13:1-23:18)

III. Isaiah’s *Description* of End Time Events (24:1-27:13)

A. The *Judgments* of the Tribulation Period (24:1-23)

1. A *Devastation Declared* (24:1-3)

24 Behold, the LORD lays the earth waste, *devastates* it,
distorts its **surface** and *scatters* its inhabitants.

²And the **people** will be like the **priest**, the **servant** like his **master**,
the **maid** like her **mistress**, the **buyer** like the **seller**,
the **lender** like the **borrower**, the **creditor** like the **debtor**.

³The **earth** will be completely laid waste and completely despoiled,
for the LORD has spoken **this word**.

2. A *Disobedience Described* (24:4-6)

⁴The **earth** *mourns and withers*, the **world** *fades and withers*,
the exalted of the **people** of the earth *fade away*.

⁵The **earth** is also polluted by its **inhabitants**, for they *transgressed laws*,
violated statutes, *broke* the **everlasting covenant**.

⁶Therefore, a curse *devours* the **earth**, and those who live in it are **held guilty**.
Therefore, the inhabitants of the **earth** are *burned*, and few men are **left**.

3. An *Overwhelming Despondency* (24:7-12)

⁷The **new wine** *mourns*, the **vine** *decays*, all the **merry-hearted** sigh.

⁸The **gaiety** of tambourines *ceases*, the **noise** of revelers *stops*,
the **gaiety** of the harp *ceases*.

⁹They **do not** drink **wine** *with song*; **strong drink** is *bitter* to those who drink it.

¹⁰ The **city of chaos** is broken down;
Every house is **shut up** so that **none** may enter.

¹¹ There is an **outcry** in the streets concerning the **wine**;
All joy turns to **gloom**. The **gaiety** of the **earth** is **banished**.

¹² **Desolation** is left in the city and the **gate** is battered to **ruins**.

4. A *Declaration of Praise* (24:13-16a)

¹³ For thus it will be in the midst of the earth among the peoples,
as the **shaking** of an **olive tree**,
as the **gleanings** when the **grape harvest** is over.

¹⁴ They raise their **voices**, they **shout for joy**;
they cry out from the **west** concerning the **majesty of the LORD**.

¹⁵ Therefore **glorify the LORD** in the **east**,
the **name of the LORD**, the **God of Israel**, in the **coastlands** of the sea.

¹⁶ From the **ends of the earth** we hear **songs**,
“**Glory** to the **Righteous One**,”

5. A *Desperate Cry* (24:16b)

But I say, “**Woe** to me! **Woe** to me! Alas for me!

The **treacherous** deal **treacherously**,
and the **treacherous** deal **very treacherously**.”

6. An *Inescapable Destruction* (24:17-20)

¹⁷ **Terror** and **pit** and **snare**
confront you, **O inhabitant** of the **earth**.

¹⁸ Then it will be that he who **flees** the report of **disaster** will **fall** into the **pit**,
and he who **climbs out** of the **pit** will be **caught** in the **snare**;
for the **windows above** are **opened**, and the **foundations** of the **earth** shake.

¹⁹ The **earth** is **broken asunder**, the **earth** is **split through**,
the **earth** is **shaken** violently.

²⁰ The **earth** reels to and fro like a **drunkard** and it **totters** like a **shack**,
for its **transgression** is heavy upon it, and it will **fall**, **never** to rise again.

7. A *Divine Punishment* (24:21-22)

²¹ So it will happen in **that day**, that the **LORD** will **punish** the **host of heaven**
on high, and the **kings** of the **earth** on **earth**.

²² They will be **gathered together** *like* **prisoners** in the **dungeon**,
and will be **confined** in **prison**;
and after **many days** they *will be* **punished**.

8. An *Eternal Dominion* Established (24:23)

²³ Then the **moon** will be **abashed** and the **sun** **ashamed**,
for the **LORD of hosts** will **reign** on **Mount Zion** and in **Jerusalem**,
and **His glory** will be before **His elders**.

Personal Application Praising God in Times of Tribulation

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Scriptures for Encouragement and Praise

Though the **fig tree** should **not blossom**
And there be **no fruit** on the **vines**,
Though the **yield** of the **olive** should **fail**
And the **fields** produce **no food**,
Though the **flock** should be **cut off** from the **fold**
And there be **no cattle** in the **stalls**,
Yet I will **exult** in the **LORD**,
I will **rejoice** in the **God of my salvation**. (Habakkuk 3:17-18)

Consider it **all joy**, my brethren, when you encounter **various trials**,
knowing that the **testing** of your **faith produces endurance**.

And let **endurance** have *its* **perfect result**,
so that you may be **perfect** and **complete**, lacking in nothing.
(James 1:2-4)

Beloved, do not be surprised at the **fiery ordeal** among you,
which comes upon you for **your testing**,
as though some **strange thing** were happening to you;
but to the degree that you share the **sufferings of Messiah**,

keep on **rejoicing**, so that also at the **revelation** of **His glory**
you may **rejoice** with **exultation**.

¹⁴ If you are **reviled** for the **name of Messiah**, you are **blessed**,
because the **Spirit of glory** and of **God rests** on you...

For *it is* time for **judgment** to **begin** with the **household of God**;
and if *it begins* with **us first**, what *will be* the **outcome** for those
who **do not obey** the **gospel of God**? (I Peter 4:12-14, 17)

Surely **God** is **good to Israel**,
To those who are **pure in heart**!
But as for me, **my feet** came close to **stumbling**,
My steps had almost **slipped**.
For I was **envious** of the **arrogant**
As I saw the **prosperity** of the **wicked**...

They **mock** and **wickedly** speak of **oppression**;
They speak from **on high**.
They have set their **mouth against** the **heavens**,
And their **tongue parades** through the **earth**...

When I **pondered** to **understand** this,
It was **troublesome** in my sight
¹⁷ **Until** I came into the **sanctuary of God**;
Then I **perceived their end**.
¹⁸ Surely You **set** them in **slippery places**;
You **cast** them down to **destruction**.
¹⁹ How they are **destroyed** in a **moment**!
They are **utterly swept away** by **sudden terrors**!...

My flesh and **my heart** may **fail**,
But **God** is the **strength** of **my heart** and **my portion** forever.
For, behold, those who are **far from You** will **perish**;
You have **destroyed all** those who are **unfaithful to You**.
But as for me, the **nearness of God** is **my good**;
I have made the **Lord GOD my refuge**,
That I may tell of **all Your works**. (Psalm 73:1-3, 8-9, 16-19, 26-28)

These things I have spoken to you,
so that **in Me** you may have **peace**. In the **world** you have **tribulation**,
but **take courage**; I have **overcome** the **world**." (John 16:33)

Be **devoted** to one another in **brotherly love**;
give **preference** to one another **in honor**;
¹¹ **not lagging** behind in **diligence**, **fervent** in **spirit**, **serving the Lord**;
¹² **rejoicing** in **hope**, **persevering** in **tribulation**, **devoted** to **prayer**,
(Romans 12:1-12)