

# Isaiah

## “The Evangelical Prophet”

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

#### A. The Condemnation of Judah (1:1-5:30)

1. The *Charge* against Israel (1:1-4)
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### 7. The Coming Kingdom and its **Glory** (2:1-4)

<sup>2</sup> The **word** which **Isaiah** the son of Amoz saw  
concerning **Judah** and **Jerusalem**.

<sup>2</sup> Now it will come about that in the **last days**  
The **mountain** of the **house of the LORD**  
Will be established as the **chief** of the **mountains**,

And will be **raised above** the hills;  
And **all** the **nations** will **stream** to it.

<sup>3</sup> And **many peoples** will come and say,  
“Come, let us **go up** to the **mountain of the LORD**,  
To the **house** of the **God of Jacob**;

That **He** may **teach us** concerning **His ways**  
And that **we** may **walk** in **His paths**.”

For the **law** will **go forth** from **Zion**  
And the **word** of the **LORD** from **Jerusalem**.

<sup>4</sup> And **He** will **judge** between the **nations**,  
And will **render decisions** for **many peoples**;

And they will **hammer** their **swords** into **plowshares**  
and their **spears** into **pruning hooks**.

**Nation** will **not** lift up **sword** against **nation**,  
And **never again** will they **learn war**.

# Message Summary

## *Characteristics* of the **Coming Kingdom**

- A. In the “**last days**” the “**mountain** of the **house** of the **LORD**, will be **established** as the *chief* of the **mountains** (2:2).” The word “**mountain**” in **prophetic scripture** denotes a **governing authority**.

Isaiah’s **prophetic vision** declares that the **governing authority** in the “**last days**” will be based in **Jerusalem**, particularly from the **temple**—the “**house**” of the **Lord**. This “**mountain**” or **kingdom** will be established as the “*chief* of the **mountains**.” It will “**be raised above**” all other **governments (mountains)**, exercising authority over **all other nations and kingdoms** (2:2). Thus **Israel** and **Jerusalem** will be **preeminent** among all the **nations** at the **end** of the **age**.

“At *that time* I will bring you in,  
Even at the time when I **gather you together**;

Indeed, I will give you **renown** and **praise**  
Among all the **peoples** of the **earth**,  
When I **restore** your **fortunes** before your eyes,”  
Says **the LORD**. (Zephaniah 3:20)

“The sons of those who **afflicted you (Jerusalem)**  
will come **bowing** to you, and all those who **despised you**  
will **bow themselves** at the **soles** of your **feet**;  
And they will call you the **city** of the **LORD**,  
The **Zion** of the **Holy One** of **Israel**. (Isaiah 60:14)

- B. The **place** of the future **governing authority (Jerusalem)** will be the **desire** of **all nations** and **peoples**. All the **nations** will “*stream to it*,” and **people** will say to one another, “Come, let us **go up** to the **mountain** of the **Lord**, to the **house** of the **God of Jacob** (2:3a).”

So many **peoples** and mighty **nations**  
will come to **seek** the **LORD of hosts** in **Jerusalem**  
and to entreat the **favor** of the **LORD**.

“Thus says the **LORD of hosts**,  
‘In *those days* ten men from all the **nations** will grasp  
the garment of **a Jew**, saying, “Let us **go with you**,  
for we have heard that **God is with you**.”’” (Zechariah 8:22-23)

- C. The **coming kingdom** will be **characterized** by the **teaching** of the **word** of the **LORD**. This will be **yearned for** by the **nations**, who will “**stream**” to **Jerusalem** to **hear the law**, and the **word of God** (2:3b-c). Specifically, they will **come** to **Jerusalem**→

→ That the **God of Jacob** may (**personally**) **teach us** concerning **His ways**, and that “we may **walk** in **His paths** (2:3b).”

→ “For the **law** will go forth from **Zion**, and the **word of the LORD** from **Jerusalem** (2:3c).”

**Many nations** will come and say,  
“Come and let us **go up** to the **mountain of the LORD**  
And to the **house of the God of Jacob**,  
That **He** may **teach us** about **His ways**  
And that we may **walk** in **His paths**.”  
For from **Zion** will go forth **the law**,  
Even the **word of the LORD** from **Jerusalem**. (Micah 4:2)

D. During the **time** of this **future kingdom**, **God** will “**judge** between the **nations** (2:4a).” **He** will “**render decisions** for **many peoples** (2:4b).”

Let the **field exult**, and all that is in it.  
Then all the **trees** of the forest will **sing for joy**  
Before the **LORD**, for **He is coming**,  
For **He** is coming to **judge the earth**.

**He** will **judge** the world in **righteousness**  
And the **peoples** in **His faithfulness**. (Psalm 96:12-13)

E. During the **time** of this **coming future kingdom**:

→ “they will **hammer** their *swords* into **plowshares** and their *spears* into **pruning hooks** (2:4b)”

→ “**Nation** will **not** lift up **sword** against nation (2:4c),”

→ “and **never again** will they **learn war** (2:4c).”

The **coming kingdom** will be **characterized** by a **true and lasting peace**.

## Personal Application

I know the **Kingdom** is coming, but **what do**  
**I do now**, the world is in *conflict*?

**We** live *confidently*, in **anticipation** of the **Kingdom**—

1. By *Recognizing* that **Israel** and **Jerusalem** will one day be **redeemed** and **restored**, and will be **preeminent** among the **nations**

Now it will come about that in the ***last days***  
The ***mountain*** of the ***house of the LORD***  
Will be ***established*** as the ***chief*** of the ***mountains***, (2:2)

2. By ***Remaining diligent*** in the study of **God's word**, "that ***He*** may **teach us** concerning ***His ways*** and we may **walk** in ***His paths*** (4:3)."

Your **word** is a ***lamp to my feet***  
and a ***light to my path***. (Psalm 119:105)

All **Scripture** is ***inspired by God*** and ***profitable*** for **teaching**,  
for **reproof**, for **correction**, for **training in righteousness**;  
so that the ***man of God*** may be adequate,  
***equipped*** for every **good work**. (II Timothy 3:16-17)

3. By ***Realizing*** that ***He*** that will "**judge** between the ***nations***," and  
"**render decisions** for ***many peoples***;" stands ready to **guide us**  
in ***wisdom***, in the **decisions** we make ***each day***.

***Good and upright*** is the ***LORD***;  
Therefore ***He*** **instructs** ***sinner***s in the ***way***.  
***He*** leads the ***humble*** in ***justice***,  
And ***He*** **teaches** the ***humble*** ***His way***...

Who is the ***man*** who ***fears the LORD***?  
***He*** will **instruct** him in the ***way*** he should **choose**.  
(Proverbs 25:8-9, 12)

But if any of you ***lacks wisdom***, let him ***ask of God***,  
who **gives** to ***all*** ***generously*** and without ***reproach***,  
and it will be **given** to him. (James 1:5)

4. By ***Resolving*** that, as much as it is ***up to us***, we are to ***pursue*** and  
**promote peace**, "for the ***kingdom of God*** is...***righteousness*** and  
**peace** and ***joy*** in the ***Holy Spirit*** (Romans 14:17)

If possible, so far as it ***depends on you***, be at **peace** with ***all men***. (Rom. 12:18)

"***Blessed*** are the **peacemakers**, for they shall be called ***sons of God***."  
(Matthew 5:9)

5. By ***Reminding ourselves*** of our ***kingdom hope***, even when all  
seems ***hopeless*** (Romans 4:17-20)