

ISAIAH – LESSON THIRTY-ONE

I. ISAIAH CONTEMPLATING GOD’S PEOPLE SUFFERING CAPTIVITY AND DESOLUTION PRAYS FOR DELIVERANCE (63:7-64:12).

- A. Thanksgiving expressed for God’s kindness and deliverance in times past (63:7-9).
- B. God’s people respond to God’s goodness with rebellion – God becomes their enemy (63:10).
- C. Remembrance when experiencing God’s wrath of God’s saving actions in days of old – Where is He? (63:11-14).
- D. Plea to God to alone for deliverance (63:15-64:4).
- E. Confession of sin (64:5-7).
- F. Plea for God’s anger to not continue but act in behalf of a destroyed Jerusalem (64:8-12).

QUESTIONS:

1. Before asking for deliverance for God’s people, what does Isaiah want to mention?
2. What characterizes the true people of God?
3. How does God react to his people being afflicted?
4. What days of old did “the angel of God’s presence” do his work of saving God’s people?
5. How did God’s people respond to God’s goodness and salvation? Who did it grieve?
6. Can this response and grief happen among God’s people today? Give scripture to establish your answer:
7. How was the Holy Spirit placed in the midst of God’s people?
8. How did God make Himself an everlasting and glorious name?

9. Why did Isaiah think God was not looking down from Heaven?

10. Why does Isaiah say, “Abraham knoweth us not, and Israel doth not acknowledge us...”?

11. Does God harden people’s heart?
If so, how does He do it?

12. What is the basis for appealing to God to return the tribes of Israel from their captivity?

13. What two characteristics of fire does Isaiah point to in making the adversary nations to tremble with fear?

14. How did God surprise even his own people?

15. For whom does God work or help?

16. How does Isaiah describe the unclean character of his people?

17. How is the sinner like a leaf?

18. What “things” does Isaiah present to God to stop Him from “refraining Himself”