

"God Writes the Last Chapter"
(Isaiah 66)

Everyone loves a happy ending! The book of Isaiah ends well for some, and not so well for others. God's plan WILL prevail, so it is best for Israel and for us to understand and respond to His... .

I. Rebuke of Hypocrisy (1-6)

- **The Real Deal (1-2)**

"...even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word."
(Is 57:15; 1 Sam 16:7; 2 Chron 16:9; Ps 34:18; 51:16-17; 139:23; Rom 2:28-29)

- **The Selfish Sacrifice (3)**

"Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in their abominations."
(Is 1:11-14; 29:13; 65:2-5; Ps 81:11-12)

- **The Just Judge (4-6)**

"I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer...they did evil... and chose that in which I delighted not."
(Prov 10:24; Is 1:18; 65:12; Ps 22:8; Mat 5:11-12; 10:22)

II. Rebirth of Israel (7-17)

- **The Suddenness of the Rebirth (7-9)**

"Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered..."
(Jn 16:21)

- **The Satisfaction of the Rebirth (10-14)**

"Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her...and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem."
(Is 55:12; 65:18; 12:1; 40:1, 10-11; 44:23; 49:13; 51:12; 52:9; 2 Cor 1:3-4)

- **The Severity of the Rebirth (15-17)**

"For, behold, the LORD will come with fire...by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many."
(Is 1:31; 2:11, 17; 29:6; 30:27; 34:2; 42:25; 63:3-6; 2 Thes 1:7-9)

III. Redemption of the Nations (18-24)

- **Reaching the Gentiles (18-19)**

"...I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come, and see my glory...and they shall declare my glory among the Gentiles."
(Is 45:22-23; 49:6; 52:10; Joel 3:2; 1 Chron 16:24; Rom 15:8-12; Mat 24:30; Rev 1:7; 5:9; 19:15)

- **Regathering the Jews (20-22)**

"And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the LORD out of all nations ...as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the LORD."
(Is 11:10-12; 43:5-7; 51:11-12)

- **Reverencing the Lord (23-24)**

"...shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD...and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me..."
(Gen 12:1-3; Is 2:2-3; 56:6-8; Zech 8:23; 14:16; Ps 86:9; Mat 25:46; Rev 15:4; 19:17-18; 21:24)