OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY

Lesson 24 w/Answers

Isaiah's Prophecies (Part 1)

In this lesson, we continue our look at the Prophet Isaiah and some of his prophecies. Many scholars will point to the writings that occur from Chapter 40 through the rest of the book (Chapter 66) as evidence that someone other than Isaiah must have written these passages. They base this on the fact that the perspective of these chapters and many of the references in them occur later than Isaiah's time.



Specifically, we will look at two broad areas of his prophetic ministry: those pointing to the coming Christ, the Messiah; and those looking at what this coming will mean, both for God's chosen people, Israel and for the Gentiles who will accept Him as their Savior.

So, let's first look at some of the prophecies Isaiah writes about in Chapters 1-39. Beside each set of references describe what was prophesied and how they were or will be fulfilled:

- 1. Isaiah 6:9-10 vs. Matthew 13:14-15
 - a. ANSWER: Hearts are hardened.
- 2. Isaiah 9:1-2 vs. Matthew 4:14-16
 - a. ANSWER: Light out of darkness.
- 3. Isaiah 16:4-5 vs. Luke 1:31-33
 - a. ANSWER: Reigning in mercy.
- 4. Isaiah 25:6-12 vs. 1 Corinthians 15:54
 - a. ANSWER: Death swallowed up in victory.
- 5. Isaiah 29:18-19 vs. Matthew 5:3, Matthew 11:5 and John 9:39
 - a. ANSWER: The deaf hear and the blind see.
- 6. Isaiah 35:4-10 vs. Matthew 9:30, Matthew 11:5, and Matthew 12:22
 - a. ANSWER: Healing for the needy.

Now let's look at some of the prophecies that Isaiah writes concerning the Messiah in Chapters 40-66. Beside each set of references, describe what was prophesied and how they were, or will, be fulfilled:

- 7. Isaiah 40:10-11 vs. John 10:11, Hebrews 13:20 and 1 Peter 2:24-25
 - a. ANSWER: The shepherd dies for his sheep.
- 8. Isaiah 49:6-12 vs. Acts 13:47 and 2 Corinthians 6:2
 - a. ANSWER: A light to the Gentiles.
- 9. Isaiah 50:6 vs. Matthew 26:67, Matthew 27:26 and Matthew 27:30
 - a. ANSWER: Scourged and spat upon.
- 10. Isaiah 53:12 vs. John 12:37-38 and Acts 8:28-35
 - a. ANSWER: Crucified with transgressors.
- 11. Isaiah 62:1-2 vs. Luke 2:32 and Revelation 3:12
 - a. ANSWER: Called by a new name.
- 12. Isaiah 65:17-25 vs. 2 Peter 3:13 and Revelation 21:1
 - a. ANSWER: A new heaven and new earth.

In our next lesson, we will conclude our look at Isaiah with a look at chapters 54 and 60, his prophecies about the coming of a New Jerusalem and Christ's millennium kingdom. While Isaiah's prophecies warned of the coming destruction of the kingdom of Judah by the Babylonians, he also prophesied about the Messiah who is to come and the kingdom that He will establish. As such, we will examine the Messiah's coming and the establishment of His earthly throne.

Thanks for studying with us, and have a great week everyone.

In Christ,

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