

23 - THE COMING OF THE LORD (ISAIAH 61:1-63:6)

I. The Messiah's Coming (Isaiah 61:1-11)

A. The Messiah's commission (Isaiah 61:1-3)

- In verse one, all three persons of the Trinity are mentioned.
- The Messiah is anointed by God with the Spirit.
- The Messiah is to preach to the poor, heal and set the captives free.
- The Messiah will proclaim a day of vengeance.
- The Messiah will replace sadness with joy.

B. The restoration of Israel (Isaiah 61:4-9)

- The prophet proclaims that the ruins and desolation of Israel will be rebuilt.
- The Gentiles will serve them.
- The wealth of the Gentiles will come to Israel.

C. The joy of salvation (Isaiah 61:10-11)

- The prophet expresses the feelings of one who has experienced the Lord's blessing.
- As Spring brings forth the flowering bud, the Lord will bring forth praise before the nations.

II. Preparation for the Lord's Coming (Isaiah 62:1-12)

- The Lord proclaims that he will not rest for Jerusalem's sake.
- The Gentiles and their kings will witness the glory of Israel.
- They will receive a new name and have a place of honor with the Lord.
- Israel will no longer be called desolate or barren.
- As in marriage, the Lord will rejoice over her as a bridegroom.
- The Lord has set watchmen over Jerusalem till he established it.
- The Lord promises that Israel will no longer provide for the other nations.
- The people are urged to quickly prepare themselves for the coming.

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- The Lord proclaims that salvation is coming.
- The people of Israel will be called the Redeemed and Holy people.
- Jerusalem will be called the Sought Out One and a city not forsaken by God.

III. The Lord's Coming (Isaiah 63:1-6)

- The question is asked as to who is coming from Edom in glorious apparel.
- The response is from one who speaks in righteousness and who is mighty to save.
- The question is asked why his garments are crimson.
- The response is from one who has punished the enemies of Israel.
- The blood of his enemies has stained his garments.