

There is a contrast of trees of sorts made at the end of chapter 10 and at the beginning of chapter 11. Those trees that are tall in stature and lofty are contrasted with a dead stump.ⁱ The “proud” trees are referring to the Assyrians, those trees that will soon be cut down and lose their high status. “Lebanon,” referred to here, is the country or the source of the magnificent cedar wood used in the Temple of the Jews. The dead stump is referring to the root of Jesse, who is King David, the first God-anointed king in a long line of successive kings. These kings will rule over the combined kingdoms at first and then only over the kingdom of Judah in the latter days of the kings. These earthly kings are very soon to be kicked off the throne of Judah forever when the Southern Kingdom is taken captive to Babylon. Thus, a “dead stump.” Assyria’s reign as the world’s conqueror has just about ended also with the coming of the Babylonian world power. But, from this tiny little country of Israel, this dead stump from which there will be no more earthly kings, there will come the future kingdom of God. How can this be? In the distant future to Isaiah’s day, our Lord and Savior, the heir of King David’s throne, will die because His Father God will lay our sins upon Him. To all who will be observing His death, their hopes will be shattered (a dead stump). But, His Father will raise Him up from the dead and He will live again, triumphant over sin and death. Two thousand years ago to us, life sprung up out of death. Now our hope is in that which seemed for a moment to be a dead stump, the root of Jesse, the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the establishment of His kingdom. In the far future to Isaiah’s day, Christ’s actual physical reign, after His 2nd coming, will begin a new dispensation of time called the Millennium or the Millennial Kingdom.

Isaiah 11 is placed in time during the Millennium or the thousand-year reign of Jesus Christ on this earth. This is yet future to our time. In this time period, Jesus Christ will actually sit on the throne of David in Jerusalem and He will rule the nations. There will be peace upon the earth and He will judge the affairs of men from Jerusalem.

We will continue our look into the promises of God to the Remnant of His people in this section. We will also see the continuation of the signs-and-wonders-to-Israel theme that is revealed through the names of Isaiah and his sons.

Days 1 and 2 - The Promise of Restoration to the Remnant – Isaiah 11

Have you ever heard of the seven-fold spirit of God from Revelation 5:5-6? Please read this passage before reading Isaiah 11:2.

How is Jesus described in Revelation 5:5-6?

Now read Isaiah 11:2 and write down the description of the seven spirits of God.

Who is the “Him” of this verse?

Please read John 1: 29 –34. How is Jesus described here?

How is the Messiah’s reign during this Millennial Kingdom described in Isaiah 11:3-10?

What is this saying about the earth?

In chapter 11:11, we have a change of wording. It says, “then on that day.” When is this day?

What will happen “on that day” (11:11-12:6)?

Has God yet recovered, for the second time, the Remnant of His people?

Please write the theme of Isaiah 11 on the Isaiah-theme-summary chart and on the individual double-spaced worksheet for this chapter found in the appendix.

Days 3-5 - Isaiah –Promise of a Future Deliverance for the Remnant – Isaiah 12

Do you remember what Isaiah’s name means? If you don’t, check back with lesson 1. Please read Isaiah chapter 12.

On what day shall Isaiah 12:1 occur? (Hint – See Isaiah 11:11)

Who will give thanks on that day?

To whom will the remnant of His people give thanks?

Now that the remnant of His people have repented of their sins, and turned back to Him, what has God become to them (Isaiah 12:2)?

What will their reward be (Isaiah 12:3)?

Does this remnant of His people include you and me? Will we be among those who are physically brought back to the land?

Can we repent of our sins and turn back to Him?

Is Jehovah God our salvation?

Can we trust in Him now and not be afraid of Him or His wrath against our sin?

Can He be our strength and our song?

In Isaiah's day, Israel had already sung this song of salvation at least two times in their history. When was the first time (See Exodus 15:2)? What was the occasion?

The psalmist penned a similar song that was sung by the people in the procession to the original Temple under Solomon's watch and again by the people in the rededication of the Second Temple by Ezra yet future to Isaiah. See Psalm 118. The Psalm acknowledges their suffering in the past and God as their Deliverer.ⁱⁱ

What will be the occasion for the song in Isaiah 12:2 "on that day?"

What do all three of these songs have in common? Massive hint: the word starts with the letter "D" and is the subject of the entire book of Isaiah.

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The name “Isaiah” means deliverance. God will deliver His people from their enemies, from themselves, and from God’s vengeance. He first delivered them from slavery under Pharaoh in Egypt. Future to Isaiah’s time, He will deliver them from the Babylonian Captivity and their enslavement to idols. And in the last days, He will deliver them again from their enemies, from worldwide dispersion amongst the nations, and from His own wrath against their sin. This will occur through the precious atoning blood of His Son. “On that day” Israel will have accepted their Messiah. What a God we worship! It’s all rigged. You know that it is. All He required of them, and requires of us, is surrender to Him. Surrender is shown through our obedience and our belief. There is hope for the Jews and for us in the Savior, the Deliverer, the LORD of Hosts, the Holy One of Israel, the Root of Jesse, the seemingly “dead stump” that brought forth life, the Lord Jesus Christ.

ⁱ Warren, W. Wiersbe, *Be Comforted*, USA, SP Publications, 1992, p. 40.

ⁱⁱ *Ibid*, pp.41-42.

ISAIAH 11-12 PROGRESSION OF PROPHECY IN HISTORY & THE FUTURE

Purpose: to cover DSWS on Isaiah 11-12 **Understand:** The progression of events from His 1st coming, to before the Tribulation Period, the Tribulation Period, His 2nd coming, & into the Millennial Kingdom **Application:** to be capable of reading other prophetic passages and understanding what the prophet is talking about

Fulfilled in His 1st Coming & will be evident in 2nd Coming	Prior to the Tribulation Period, & into the end of the Tribulation Period	The Tribulation Period, may have happened to some degree in Isaiah's time	The 2nd Coming	The Millennial Kingdom
<p>Isaiah 11:1-3 (blue)</p> <p><u>2 Tree Comparison</u> Isaiah 10:33-34 & 11:1 - <u>2 Kingdoms</u></p> <p>1. Assyria-quickly fading after world domination</p> <p>2. Jesus Christ-shoot from seemingly dead stump, the root of Jesse (6:13)</p> <p><u>7 Spirits of God</u> Isaiah 11:2</p> <p>1. Rev. 4:1-5, 5:6</p> <p>2. 7 branch lamp & oil for continuous burning, Exod.37:17-24, Lev. 24:1-4</p> <p>3. 7 lamps of 7 churches, Rev. 1:4-13, 20</p> <p>4. Lamb & Spirit of God, John 1:29-34</p> <p>5. 7-fold Spirit of God, Isaiah 11:1-3:</p> <p><u>Spirit of the LORD</u> <u>wisdom, understanding</u> <u>counsel, strength</u> <u>knowledge, fear of LORD</u></p>	<p>Isaiah 11:11-16 (red)</p> <p>1. The <u>LORD</u> will <u>recover</u> the 2nd X w/ His hand the remnant of His people fr. Assyria, Egypt, Pathros, Cush, Elam, Shinar, Hamath, islands of the sea</p> <p>2. <u>He will assemble</u> the banished ones of Israel</p> <p>3. <u>He will gather</u> the dispersed of Judah fr. the four corners of the earth</p> <p>4. Jealousy of Ephraim & Judah will depart</p> <p>5. Swoop down on the Palestinians on the West, plunder sons of east (Edom, Moab, Ammon)</p> <p>6. The LORD will utterly destroy the tongue of the Red Sea or Nile R.</p> <p>7. He will wave His hand over Euphrates R. & will strike into 7 streams; men will walk on desert</p> <p>8. Highway from Assyria for Remnant of people who will be left</p>	<p>Isaiah 12:1-3,4-6 (green)(yellow)</p> <p><u>12:1-3 green with yellow line</u> on that day:</p> <p>-Israel will give thanks</p> <p>LORD had been angry w/them but now anger turned away and comforts Israel</p> <p>-Israel will say God is their salvation, they will trust Him & not be afraid, for the LORD GOD is their strength & song</p> <p><u>3 times in hx</u></p> <p>1. deliverance fr. Pharaoh</p> <p>2. return to land 1st time</p> <p>3. return to land 2nd time</p> <p>-Israel will look on Him whom they have pierced & will mourn, <u>Zech 12:10-14</u></p> <p><u>12:4-6 yellow w/ green line</u> in that day:</p> <p>-Israel will give thanks, call upon His Name, make known His deeds amg the peoples, exalt His name, praise Him in song, cry aloud & shout for joy</p> <p>-the Holy One will be in their midst</p>	<p>Isaiah 11:4-5 (orange)</p> <p>-He will jdg. poor w/ Righteousness</p> <p>-He will decide afflicted w/fairness</p> <p>-He will strike the earth w/ rod of mouth</p> <p>-He will slay wicked w/ breath of His lips</p> <p>-Righteousness. will be belt abt. His loins, faithful-ness about His waist. Zech. 14:3-8</p> <p>-LORD will fight for Israel</p> <p>-His feet will stand on Mt. of Olives, will split</p>	<p>Isaiah 11:6-10, 12:4-6 (yellow)</p> <p>-wolf lie down w/ lamb</p> <p>-leopard lie down w/ kid</p> <p>-calf & lion lie down together</p> <p>-little boy will lead them</p> <p>-cow & bear graze</p> <p>-lion & ox will eat straw</p> <p>-child play by cobra's hole</p> <p>-child put hand in viper's den</p> <p>-creatures will not hurt or destroy on His holy mtn.</p> <p>-earth full of knowledge of LORD</p> <p>-nations resort to root of Jesse</p> <p>-His resting place glorious</p> <p><u>Zech. 14:9-11</u></p> <p>-He will be only one</p> <p>-land changed into plain, Jerusalem will rise</p> <p>-no more curse of sin</p>