

This week we will look at what the Tribulation Period will be like for the people of the globe and also for the Jews.

Day 1 - Coming: the Great Tribulation! Isaiah 24

Turn to the appendix and read and work on your double-spaced worksheet for Isaiah chapter 24. Remember to look for key words and mark them consistently. Ask the six questions of the text: who?, what?, when?, where?, why?, and how? Can you make any lists in the margin of the text?

What planet is this chapter about?

Who will judge the earth?

What will the LORD do to the earth during this time period in verses 1 and 3?

Mark the word “like” in the text. How many times is “like” used in verse 2? What will the inhabitants of earth be “like” during this time period?

Since this word “like” is repeated so many times in verse 2, what do you think Isaiah desires us to understand?

What else will happen to the earth starting in verse 4?

What will happen to the people during this time period? (Isaiah 24:4-18)

What will happen to the host of heaven and the kings of the earth in that day in verses 21 and 22?

What will happen to the cities of the earth in verses 10 and 12?

What will happen to the celestial bodies in verse 23?

What will the LORD of Hosts do according to verse 23?

At the point of tribulation on this earth in the future, the Believers in Christ (the Church Saints) will already be with the Lord GOD in heaven and in His presence forever. The Jews and Gentiles who are still living at this time will be on the earth when the Great Tribulation begins. They both will be subject to the judgments God makes on the earth and the heavens (the sky) and on them during this time. As we learned last week, the Tribulation will begin at the revelation of the man of perdition. This man will seem peaceful at first, but at the moment he sets himself up as God in the Jewish temple, the Jews will take notice that he is not their Messiah and will oppose him. The following passages discussed in Matthew and Luke point out what the Jews will be experiencing at this time and what they are to do as a result of this revelation.

Please write the theme of Isaiah 24 on your Isaiah-theme-summary chart found in the appendix and on your double-spaced worksheet for Isaiah chapter 24.

Days 2-3 – Coming: the Great Tribulation! Matthew 24

I have included the text of Matthew 24 in the Appendix. Turn to the appendix and read and work on the double-spaced worksheet for this chapter. Remember, to look for key words like “tribulation” and “great tribulation,” and “elect,” and mark them consistently. Ask the six questions of the text: who?, what?, when?, where?, why?, and how? Can you make any lists in the margin of the text? Mark all terms that indicate time sequence, like “then,” with a clock in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheet.

What are the three questions that the disciples ask Jesus in Matthew 24: 3?

Jesus does not answer all three questions in Matthew 24. The answer for the first question, “When will these things be? ‘when one stone will not be left upon another?’” is found in Luke 21:20-24. Read this passage and write the answer to this question here.

What will happen to the Jews of this time according to Luke 21:23-24?

What will happen to the land according to Luke 21:23?

What will happen to Jerusalem according to Luke 21:24?

Is this passage in Luke about the end times or the second Diaspora when the Jews were led captive into all the nations of the world?

What did happen to the Jews when the Romans destroyed the Jewish temple in 70 A.D.? You will have to pull from your knowledge of Jewish history to answer this question.

Was there one temple stone left upon the other when the Romans demolished Jerusalem?

What is the answer to the second question the disciples asked Jesus in Matthew 24:3, “What will be the sign of your coming?” See Matthew 24:4-8; 23-51.

What is the time frame to which Christ is referring in this passage?

What is the answer to the disciples' third question, "what will be the sign of the end of the age," found in Matthew 24:9-22?

What three clues are given to us in this section that tell us that this passage is about the Jews? (Matthew 24:15, 16, 20)

Matthew 24:9 is a marker (a sign) for "the end of the age." It is the word "tribulation." How will the Jews know that the end of the age has come?

They will be delivered to tribulation. Some of them will be killed. They will all be hated by the nations on account of God's name. Is there an increase in global anti-Semitism today?

Days 4-5: Coming: the Great Tribulation! Revelation 6-16

How bad can it get? Good grief, can it get any worse than it is right now? Woe, people of the earth, you haven't seen anything yet? What will the devastation of the earth look like during the time of the Tribulation according to Revelation 6-16? And what will the Jews and Gentiles alike be experiencing?

I would like to turn your attention now to the book of Revelation. This book is written in three parts. We are given the key to discerning these three parts in the first chapter of this blessed book when Christ tells John the Revelator to write down the things that he has seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall take place after these "things." In chapter 1, John wrote down the things that he saw. In chapters 2 and 3 John records the present state of seven individual churches in Asia Minor or the "things that are." John continues to write down the "things" that occur "after these things," starting at the beginning of chapter 4 and on to the end of chapter 22. These last two days of this week's lesson, we will continue our theme of what it will be like on the earth during the Tribulation. Please read Revelation, chapter 6.

In chapter 6, we have unveiled for us, the opening of the first six seal judgments on the earth by the One who was found worthy (Jesus, the Lamb). When He breaks the 7th seal, it opens up another 6 (7) judgments called the trumpet judgments (Revelation 8:1-2). There are three "woes" given within these trumpet judgments. Woe 3 (Revelation 11:14)

gives rise to the seventh trumpet judgment that opens up another 7 judgments called the bowl judgments. These last bowl judgments span time over the last 3 and 1/2 years of the Tribulation period. These seals, trumpets and bowls are God's judgments on the earth; the inhabitants of earth at this time period will be the recipients of God's judgment.

What will happen to the earth and the people of the earth during this time via the opening of the seven seal judgments? (just summaries)

Seal 1: Revelation 6:1-2

Seal 2: Revelation 6:3-4

Seal 3: Revelation 6:5-6

Seal 4: Revelation 6:7:8

Seal 5: Revelation 6:9-10

Seal 6: Revelation 6:12-17

Seal 7: Revelation 8:1-2

What will happen to the earth and its inhabitants during the seven trumpet judgments according to the following verses? (just summaries)

Trumpet 1: Revelation 8:6-7

Trumpet 2: Revelation 8:8-9

Trumpet 3: Revelation 8:10-11

Trumpet 4: Revelation 8:12

Trumpet 5 (Woe 1): Revelation 9:

Trumpet 6 (Woe 2): Revelation 9:13-11:13

Trumpet 7 (Woe 3): Revelation 11:14

What will happen to the earth and its inhabitants in the seven bowl judgments according to the following verses? (just summaries)

Bowl 1: Revelation 16:1-2

Bowl 2: Revelation 16:3

Bowl 3: Revelation 16:4 - 7

Bowl 4: Revelation 16:8-9

Bowl 5: Revelation 16:10-11

Bowl 6: Revelation 16:12-16

Bowl 7: Revelation 16:17

So, how would you describe this time that Isaiah, Jesus, and John are speaking about in these three books? In most simplistic terms, please.

This time will be a time of great terror and lots of death. People will have no hope. They will not be capable of sustaining themselves outside a world order system. There will be no partiality concerning the plagues. If they escape one of God's judgments, they will be caught in another. They will be forced to worship and serve something or someone.

Next week, we will look at what will happen to the Jews, specifically, during the Tribulation according to the books of Revelation and Daniel.

WHAT WILL DANIEL'S 70TH WEEK BE LIKE?

for the Peoples Alive during Triubulation?	for the Earth?	for the Heavens?
<p><u>Isaiah 24:</u> -everyone will incur the same wrath of God. No partiality. -the exalted people will fade away -they will pollute the earth -they will be held guilty b/c they transgressed laws, violated statutes, broke everlasting covenant -they who live on earth will be burned -few survivors -all the merry hearted will sigh, songs will cease -their drinking of strong drink will be bitter -they will cry out in the cities b/c of the wine -their joy will turn to gloom - they will be confronted by terror, pit, & snare; escape from one but will be caught by another -the cities of the earth: the city of chaos will be broken down, q. house will be shut up so that none may enter, city left desolate, gate battered to ruins <u>Matthew 24, Luke 21</u> for the people alive, great intensification of deception from false teachers, wars & rumors of wars, famines & pestilences & earthquakes; the Jews will be delivered up to Tribulation, and will be killed, and hated by all nations on acct. of God's name. Many will fall away fr. the faith & deliver up one another & even hate one another. <u>Revelation Judgments:</u> seal 1: unveiling of identity of antichrist who will win the allegiance of population of world seal 2: worldwide anarchy: men will war agst. men & kill each other seal 3: food for 1 day will cost 1 day's wage worldwide famine & loss of work, alcohol & oil will be spared at all costs.</p>	<p><u>Isaiah 24:</u> -God will lay the earth completely wasted -God will distort earth's surface -God will completely despoil the earth -the earth will morn & wither -the earth will fade & wither -the earth will be polluted by its' inhabitants -the earth will be devoured by its' curse -the windows abv the earth will open -foundations of earth will shake -the earth will be broken asunder -the earth will split thru -the earth will shake violently -the earth will reel to & fro like a drunk -the earth will totter like a shack -the earth will fall never to rise again -the city of chaos will be broken down -the houses will be shut up -the city will be desolated; gate battered to ruins <u>Matthew 24, Luke 21:</u> -Jerusalem trampled under foot by Gentiles -the abomination of desolation will stand in Holy place <u>Revelation Judgments:</u> seal 3: world will not produce food seal 6: great earthquake; island moved out of their place trumpet 1: hail & fire & blood thrown to earth: burn up 1/2 earth, 1/3 trees & all green grass trumpet 2: grt. mtn. burn w/ fire thrown in sea 1/3 of sea blood, 1/3 sea creatures die trumpet 3: Wormwood star falls fr. heaven on water & makes bitter</p>	<p><u>Isaiah 24:</u> -the windows abv earth will open -the LORD will punish the hosts of heaven; they will be gathered together like prisoners in the dungeon & will be confined in prison & after many days will be punished -the moon will be abashed -the sun will be ashamed <u>Matthew 24, Luke 21</u> sign of Jesus' coming- q.o. will see Him in the air immediately after the Tribulation, the sun will darken, the moon will not give light, the stars will fall fr. the sky & powers of the heavens will be shaken, & then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in sky for all men to see at once- all will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky w/ power & grt. glory <u>Revelation Judgments:</u> seal 6: blackening of the sun, moon becomes red, stars of sky fall to earth, sky will split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up trumpet 1: hail & fire & blood thrown to earth from the sky trumpet 2: grt. mtn burning thrown into sea from the sky trumpet 3: Wormwood will fall frm heaven to make water bitter trumpet 4: 1/3 of sun, moon, & stars will be smitten so light on earth 1/3 less trumpet 5: sun & air darkened by smoke from pit of locusts Trumpet 7: 2 signs in heaven, the woman & the dragon Bowl 4: sun will scorch men w/ fire, fierce heat & they will still blaspheme God</p>

WHAT WILL DANIEL'S 70TH WEEK BE LIKE? (CONTINUED)

for the Peoples Alive during Triubulation?	for the Earth?	for the Heavens?
<p><u>Revelation Judgments:</u> seal 4: death for 1/4 population by famine, pestilence, wild beasts, & war trumpet 2: grt. mtn. on fire thrown into sea & 1/3 ships destroyed trumpet 3: Star Wormwood falls fr. heaven - makes water bitter for man trumpet 4: normal illumination for man decreased by 1/3; trumpet 5: locusts out of pit will sting unbelievers only trumpet 6: 4 angels bound at R. Euphrates will kill 1/3 mankind w/ 3 plagues: fire, smoke & brimstone; remaining mankind still unrepentant of idolatry; some will be afraid of God's resurrection of 2 witnesses; 1/10 of Jeru. destroyed by earthquake. Finally, those Jews not killed in quake will give glory to God; Israel given sanctuary in wilderness; satan will try to devour her with a flood; earth will open up and swallow water; God supernaturally protects His people mankind will worship the first beast; all given mark of the beast, 666 bowl 1: loathsome malignant sores upon men who took mark bowl 2: blood will kill every living thing in sea bowl 3: blood poured out into water system for unbelievers to drink b/c they killed God's saints & prophets bowl 4: men scoured w/ fire, fierce heat; men still blaspheme God; will not repent bowl 5: men will gnaw their tongues b/c of pain; still blaspheme God; will not repent bowl 6: all kings on earth gathered for grt. battle bowl 7: earthquake; Jeru, split in thirds.</p>	<p><u>Revelation Judgments:</u> trumpet 5: pollution of earth w/ smoke, air will darken; locusts will come out of smoke trumpet 6: great earthquake in Jerusalem: 1/10 th of city destroyed trumpet 7: a flood to wipe out the Jews bowl 2: angel will pour contents of bowl into sea and will become blood & all sea life will die bowl 3: angel will pour contents of bowl into rivers & springs will become blood bowl 6: angel will pour contents of bowl upon R. Euphrates & water will dry up; frogs will come out of 1st beast bowl 7: angel will pour out contents of bowl upon air; flashes of lightning, sounds of thunder, great earthquake like none before; Jeru. split into 3 parts; all other cities of all other nations will fall.</p>	<p><u>Revelation Judgments:</u> bowl 5 the beast's kingdom became darkened bowl 7 flashes of lightning & sounds & peals of thunder; hughe hailstones about 100#'s each came down from heaven upon men</p>

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ISAIAH CHAPTER 24

WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme _____

Is. 24:1 ¶ Behold, the LORD lays the earth waste, devastates it, distorts its surface, and scatters its inhabitants.

Is. 24:2 And the people will be like the priest, the servant like his master, the maid like her mistress, the buyer like the seller, the lender like the borrower, the creditor like the debtor.

Is. 24:3 The earth will be completely laid waste and completely despoiled, for the LORD has spoken this word.

Is. 24:4 The earth mourns and withers, the world fades and withers, the exalted of the people of the earth fade away.

Is. 24:5 The earth is also polluted by its inhabitants, for they transgressed laws, violated statutes, broke the everlasting covenant.

Is. 24:6 Therefore, a curse devours the earth, and those who live in it are held guilty. Therefore, the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men are left.

Is. 24:7 The new wine mourns, The vine decays, All the merry-hearted sigh.

Is. 24:8 The gaiety of tambourines ceases, The noise of revelers stops, The gaiety of the harp ceases.

Is. 24:9 They do not drink wine with song; Strong drink is bitter to those who drink it.

Is. 24:10 The city of chaos is broken down; Every house is shut up so that none may enter.

Is. 24:11 There is an outcry in the streets concerning the wine; All joy turns to gloom. The gaiety of the earth is banished.

Is. 24:12 Desolation is left in the city, And the gate is battered to ruins.

Is. 24:13 For thus it will be in the midst of the earth among the peoples, As the shaking of an olive tree, As the gleanings when the grape harvest is over.

Is. 24:14 They raise their voices, they shout for joy. They cry out from the west concerning the majesty of the LORD.

Is. 24:15 Therefore glorify the LORD in the east, The name of the LORD, the God of Israel In the coastlands of the sea.

Is. 24:16 From the ends of the earth we hear songs, “Glory to the Righteous One,” But I say, “Woe to me! Woe to me! Alas for me! The treacherous deal treacherously, And the treacherous deal very treacherously.”

Is. 24:17 Terror and pit and snare Confront you, O inhabitant of the earth.

Is. 24:18 Then it will be that he who flees the report of disaster will fall into the pit, And he who climbs out of the pit will be caught in the snare; For the windows above are opened, and the foundations of the earth shake.

Is. 24:19 The earth is broken asunder, The earth is split through, The earth is shaken violently.

Is. 24:20 The earth reels to and fro like a drunkard, And it totters like a shack, For its transgression is heavy upon it, And it will fall, never to rise again.

Is. 24:21 So it will happen in that day, That the LORD will punish the host of heaven, on high, And the kings of the earth, on earth.

Is. 24:22 And they will be gathered together Like prisoners in the dungeon, And will be confined in prison; And after many days they will be punished.

Is. 24:23 Then the moon will be abashed and the sun ashamed, For the LORD of hosts will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, And His glory will be before His elders.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 25

WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme _____

Is. 25:1 ¶ O LORD, Thou art my God; I will exalt Thee, I will give thanks to Thy name; For Thou hast worked wonders, Plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness.

Is. 25:2 For Thou hast made a city into a heap, A fortified city into a ruin; A palace of strangers is a city no more, It will never be rebuilt.

Is. 25:3 Therefore a strong people will glorify Thee; Cities of ruthless nations will revere Thee.

Is. 25:4 For Thou hast been a defense for the helpless, A defense for the needy in his distress, A refuge from the storm, a shade from the heat; For the breath of the ruthless Is like a rain storm against a wall.

Is. 25:5 Like heat in drought, Thou dost subdue the uproar of aliens; Like heat by the shadow of a cloud, the song of the ruthless is silenced.

Is. 25:6 ¶ And the LORD of hosts will prepare a lavish banquet for all peoples on this mountain; A banquet of aged wine, choice pieces with marrow, And refined, aged wine.

Is. 25:7 And on this mountain He will swallow up the covering which is over all peoples, Even the veil which is stretched over all nations.

Is. 25:8 He will swallow up death for all time, And the Lord GOD will wipe tears away from all faces, And He will remove the reproach of His people from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken.

Is. 25:9 And it will be said in that day, “Behold, this is our God for whom we have waited that He might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; Let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation.”

Is. 25:10 For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain, And Moab will be trodden down in his place As straw is trodden down in the water of a manure pile.

Is. 25:11 And he will spread out his hands in the middle of it As a swimmer spreads out his hands to swim, But the Lord will lay low his pride together with the trickery of his hands.

Is. 25:12 And the unassailable fortifications of your walls He will bring down, Lay low, and cast to the ground, even to the dust.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 26

WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme _____

Is. 26:1 ¶ In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: “We have a strong city; He sets up walls and ramparts for security.

Is. 26:2 “Open the gates, that the righteous nation may enter, The one that remains faithful.

Is. 26:3 “The steadfast of mind Thou wilt keep in perfect peace, Because he trusts in Thee.

Is. 26:4 “Trust in the LORD forever, For in GOD the LORD, we have an everlasting Rock.

Is. 26:5 “For He has brought low those who dwell on high, the unassailable city; He lays it low, He lays it low to the ground, He casts it to the dust.

Is. 26:6 “The foot will trample it, The feet of the afflicted, the steps of the helpless.”

Is. 26:7 ¶ The way of the righteous is smooth; O Upright One, make the path of the righteous level.

Is. 26:8 Indeed, while following the way of Thy judgments, O LORD, We have waited for Thee eagerly; Thy name, even Thy memory, is the desire of our souls.

Is. 26:9 At night my soul longs for Thee, Indeed, my spirit within me seeks Thee diligently; For when the earth experiences Thy judgments The inhabitants of the world learn righteousness.

Is. 26:10 Though the wicked is shown favor, He does not learn righteousness; He deals unjustly in the land of uprightness, And does not perceive the majesty of the LORD.

Is. 26:11 ¶ O LORD, Thy hand is lifted up yet they do not see it. They see Thy zeal for the people and are put to shame; Indeed, fire will devour Thine enemies.

Is. 26:12 LORD, Thou wilt establish peace for us, Since Thou hast also performed for us all our works.

Is. 26:13 O LORD our God, other masters besides Thee have ruled us; But through Thee alone we confess Thy name.

Is. 26:14 The dead will not live, the departed spirits will not rise; Therefore Thou hast punished and destroyed them, And Thou hast wiped out all remembrance of them.

Is. 26:15 Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, Thou hast increased the nation, Thou art glorified; Thou hast extended all the borders of the land.

Is. 26:16 O LORD, they sought Thee in distress; They could only whisper a prayer, Thy chastening was upon them.

Is. 26:17 As the pregnant woman approaches the time to give birth, She writhes and cries out in her labor pains, Thus were we before Thee, O LORD.

Is. 26:18 We were pregnant, we writhed in labor, We gave birth, as it were, only to wind. We could not accomplish deliverance for the earth Nor were inhabitants of the world born.

Is. 26:19 Your dead will live; Their corpses will rise. You who lie in the dust, awake and shout for joy, For your dew is as the dew of the dawn, And the earth will give birth to the departed spirits.

Is. 26:20 ¶ Come, my people, enter into your rooms, And close your doors behind you; Hide for a little while, Until indignation runs its course.

Is. 26:21 For behold, the LORD is about to come out from His place To punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; And the earth will reveal her bloodshed, And will no longer cover her slain.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 27

WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme _____

Is. 27:1 ¶ In that day the LORD will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent, With His fierce and great and mighty sword, Even Leviathan the twisted serpent; And He will kill the dragon who lives in the sea.

Is. 27:2 In that day, “A vineyard of wine, sing of it!

Is. 27:3 “I, the LORD, am its keeper; I water it every moment. Lest anyone damage it, I guard it night and day.

Is. 27:4 “I have no wrath. Should someone give Me briars and thorns in battle, Then I would step on them, I would burn them completely.

Is. 27:5 “Or let him rely on My protection, Let him make peace with Me, Let him make peace with Me.”

Is. 27:6 In the days to come Jacob will take root, Israel will blossom and sprout; And they will fill the whole world with fruit.

Is. 27:7 ¶ Like the striking of Him who has struck them, has He struck them? Or like the slaughter of His slain, have they been slain?

Is. 27:8 Thou didst contend with them by banishing them, by driving them away. With His fierce wind He has expelled them on the day of the east wind.

Is. 27:9 Therefore through this Jacob’s iniquity will be forgiven; And this will be the full price of the pardoning of his sin: When he makes all the altar stones like pulverized chalk stones; When Asherim and incense altars will not stand.

Is. 27:10 For the fortified city is isolated, A homestead forlorn and forsaken like the desert; There the calf will graze, And there it will lie down and feed on its branches.

Is. 27:11 When its limbs are dry, they are broken off; Women come and make a fire with them. For they are not a people of discernment, Therefore their Maker will not have compassion on them. And their Creator will not be gracious to them.

Is. 27:12 And it will come about in that day, that the LORD will start His threshing from the flowing stream of the Euphrates to the brook of Egypt; and you will be gathered up one by one, O sons of Israel.

Is. 27:13 It will come about also in that day that a great trumpet will be blown; and those who were perishing in the land of Assyria and who were scattered in the land of Egypt will come and worship the LORD in the holy mountain at Jerusalem.