This second half of Isaiah (chapters 40-66) is all about grace. This section of Scripture can be divided differently, but I divided it into three parts: God the Father (Isaiah 40-48), God the Son (Isaiah 49-57), and God the Holy Spirit (Isaiah 48-66). After completing Isaiah 40-48, I believe that this will still be the easiest method for us to remember these three sections. We have just finished studying Great God Our Father in chapters 40-48. In this present section we will study Isaiah 49-57 and the focus will be on one of the three servants already mentioned in Isaiah 40-48. This Servant will be the Suffering Messiah who died for the sins of the world so that grace might be made available to all. Finally, in the last section of Isaiah, chapters 58-66, the emphasis will be upon the third member of the Godhead, the Holy Spirit of God, whose holy presence and His plans for His earthly kingdom will be the prominent highlights.

This first week we will read chapters 49-52:12 and work on our respective double-spaced worksheets. If you do this on a daily basis these 4 chapters will be very easy to cover in five days of study.

Days 1 - 2 – Double-spaced Worksheet - Isaiah 49

Start out your study time today in prayer to great God your Father. He has given you an understanding of your beginning in Him, He has prepared a plan for your life, and He has secured a place for you in His presence forever.

There were three servants cited in our study covering Isaiah 40-48. God's Servant, the Messiah, the Son of God, is the first Servant mentioned, and He will be the focus of our study in Isaiah Part 6. The second servant mentioned was God's <u>servant Israel or Jacob</u>. The third servant or "shepherd" referenced is Cyrus, the future king of the Medo-Persian Empire, who will allow the Jews to return in the future (to Isaiah's day) to Jerusalem to rebuild their Temple and Holy City.

Read the entire chapter of Isaiah 49 printed on the double-spaced worksheet before marking on it.

Now that you've read through Isaiah 49, which Servant do you think this chapter is speaking about, even though this Servant is called My <u>Servant Israel in 49:3?</u>

I agree that this seems odd to call God's <u>Servant</u>, the Messiah, "My <u>Servant Israel</u>," but can you agree with me that there is definitely a shift in the writing here that seems to refer to Him in this manner?

This is what <u>The Bible Knowledge Commentary – Old Testament</u> says about God's <u>S</u>ervant, the Messiah being called "Israel:" "The Messiah is called Israel because He fulfills what Israel should have done. In His person and work He epitomizes the nation."ⁱ

What two names does Isaiah use in chapter 49 to refer to Israel, His <u>servant</u>, referring to the nation of Israel and not to the Messiah?

"Jacob" and "Israel" are symbolic of two different attitudes and two different struggles in the Scripture. What do you think these attitudes and struggles might be? Think covenant name change here. Check out Genesis 32:22-32.

Now, you can get out your colored pencils. Mark all references to God and the Messiah in your own unique fashion. I did try to separate the Father and the Son as distinct from each other, but I found this very difficult to do. It's as though they are One. Imagine that?

Next, find all the names of God or the Messiah that are mentioned in this text. Make a list of them in the margin of the double-spaced worksheet. I found twelve names in verses 49:1-7 and three names in verse 49:26.

Mark all references to My Servant, His Servant, and Servant of rulers, the same.

Mark the following words or ideas accordingly:

Islands, peoples, nations, & end of the earth with one marking Israel as separated from My Servant Israel Jacob The remnant (hint: "the preserved ones of Israel," & "those who hopefully wait for Me") Israel's enemies (hint: "those who swallowed you") The children Jerusalem/ Zion as one marking

Are there any "time" words that would indicate a sequencing of events? Put a time clock out to the left margin next to the verse if you find any.

List in the margin, what the LORD has done for "Me" mentioned in verses 49:1-3?

The answer to the former question gives us some of the purpose for which the relationship between God and the Messiah exists. Isaiah 49:5-13 gives us more of this purpose. Write a list in the margin from these verses explaining what the Messiah is to be in relationship to God. Also, read the same text and make another list of what the Messiah is to be to the nation of Israel and Jacob, together, and then to the Gentile nations.

What three things will God's Servant, the Messiah, do according to verse 49:6? What three people groups does He refer to here? Does this include everybody?

What will God do at the right time for the Messiah in Isaiah 49:8? What will God do in a day of salvation for the Messiah?

What will happen to "the people of the covenant" according to Isaiah 49:8-13?

From where will God's people be gathered according to Isaiah 49:12?

Are you beginning to see a difference between just plain "Israel" or "Jacob" and the "afflicted ones," "the preserved ones of Israel," or "the Remnant?" Pay attention throughout your reading and studying. God knows those who are His, and His plan is to prosper them, not defeat them and crush their spirit. His own will go through trials and strivings and refinement, but He has also given them a hope for the future with great blessings. All of this is not for those of "Jacob" or "Israel" who do not believe or obey Him, but for those of "Jacob" or "Israel" who "hopefully wait for Him."

What parts of God's creation are told to rejoice because God has comforted His afflicted people and had compassion on them? See Isaiah 49:13.

As joyful as the heavens, the earth, and the mountains are because of God's comfort for His people, what is the stark contrast of Zion's attitude? See Isaiah 49:14. Do you see yourself in their attitude?

What is God's response to Zion's attitude? See Isaiah 49:15-16.

Day 3 – Double-spaced Worksheet - Isaiah 50

Please mark the following words or ideas in your own unique way:

References to God and the Messiah Jerusalem Israel The Remnant Body parts Helps Fears

Who do you think "your mother" is referring to in Isaiah 50:1? Remember this from earlier chapters in Isaiah. Also, remember who Isaiah is writing to in this book. See Isaiah 1:1.

What is the relationship between the House of Israel and the LORD in 50:1?

Why did God sell the House of Judah? And why did God send away the House of Israel?

How is God's power manifested in chapter 50:2-3? Is there anything too hard for the LORD to do?

Are there any verses in Isaiah 50 that remind you of the trials of the Messiah just prior to His death? These verses are called Messianic prophecies.

What did the God give to the Son, the Messiah, and why? (Isaiah 50:4) What is their relationship like?

There are two imperatives or commands given in chapter 50:10, what are they? Do you find yourself in this verse where the two commands are given?

What is the relationship of those who fear the LORD and "My" <u>servant</u>, Israel? See Isaiah 50:10.

Day 4 – Double-spaced Worksheet - Isaiah 51

There are many, many imperatives or commands in this chapter. Please list them here. What does it mean when God repeats Himself three times, i.e., "Listen to Me," "Pay attention to Me," "Listen to Me?"

Mark the following words or ideas in distinctive ways:

All references to God and the Messiah

My people The Remnant (hint: "ransomed of the S") Jerusalem/Zion as one marking as before Body parts My arms My righteousness My salvation The coastlands, the peoples, earth and its inhabitants as one marking as before Moth, grub as one Garment Eat Comforts Cup/Chalice as one marking

List all names of God in the margin.

Do you find any Messianic prophecies in any of the verses in chapter 51? If so, then mark them as you have previously.

Who is the "rock" from which Israel has been hewn? Hint: this would be plural in the text, meaning two people.

When was Abraham only one?

What happened to Abraham when God blessed him?

Even though Sarah and Abraham had to wait a long period of time for the fulfillment of God's promise of a child, the Bible says that they did believe God. As Sarah and Abraham believed God, so should the Remnant of God, have faith that God will carry out His promises to them.

Contrast the sky and the earth with God's salvation and His righteousness from Isaiah 51:6.

Contrast the two kinds of men found in verse 51:7?

In Isaiah 51:1, 4, and 7, God tries to get the attention of His people. In Isaiah 51:9. Who is trying to get His attention and for what benefit?

God speaks of the "ransomed of the LORD" or the Remnant in 51:11. So who does God want to comfort in 51:12? Do the Remnant need to fear men? Are the Remnant afraid of being destroyed and exiled in this passage from 51:9-12?

What has He done for His people in 51:14-16?

Contrast God and man from verses 51:12-13.

Who is God referring to in Isaiah 51:16? Has He given a promise to the Remnant here that they will return from their exile? Did the Remnant return to the land after being exiled to Babylon in the future-to-Isaiah's day?

What are the present conditions of Jerusalem according to Isaiah 51:17-20? What are the two things referred to in Verse 51:19 that have befallen Jerusalem?

Who has declared that the time of Jerusalem's judgment is over in 51:21-23? Whose hand will now hold God's chalice of anger, the cup of reeling? Will the "afflicted of Jerusalem" ever again be given this "cup" of God's anger?

Day 5 – Double-spaced Worksheet -Isaiah 52

God has a number of imperatives for Jerusalem/Zion in this chapter. Please list them below.

What city or country is God telling His faithful to depart from in 52:11-12? What city, in the future-to-Isaiah's day, will God's faithful depart from, carrying the vessels of the LORD?

Mark the following words in your own way:

All references to God, and the Messiah Jerusalem/Zion The Remnant (Hint: "My people") Comfort All references to joy or joyfully with the same marking "In that day" "I am"

What are the three places mentioned where God's people have been or will be (future to Isaiah's day) in captivity? See 52:4-5. The last place must be discerned from what you know of Jewish history.

Can you find any Messianic prophecies in Isaiah 52? See Isaiah 52:10.

What is the relationship of the LORD and His people in chapter 52?

What is the relationship of the LORD, who bares His holy arm, to the Gentile nations in Isaiah 52:10?

After reading through Isaiah 52, what one verse is prominent to you?

Now that you have done your studying of chapters 49-52, please write the themes of each of the chapters on the respective double-spaced worksheets and on the Isaiah-Theme-Summary chart.

ⁱ John F. Walvoord, Roy B. Zuck, *The Bible Knowledge Commentary*, SP Publications, Inc., 1985, p. 1103.

"IT IS TOO SMALL A THING"

Isaiah 49-52
Part 6
Lesson 1-1

The Servant, the Messiah ¹			
His Relationship with the Gentiles	His Relationship with the LORD God	His Relationship with Israel	
saiah 49:1-2 the Gentiles are to listen to Him and pay attention to Him and to know that the LORD called Him from the womb, from the body of His mother & He rec'vd His name from Him saiah 49:3 the Gentiles are to know that God has called the Servant to do that which Israel was suppose to do & didn't; & that is to pro- claim the good news of salvation to all ^{1,2} <u>saiah 49:6</u> the Servant will be a light to the Gentiles s.t. God's salvation can reach to the ends of the earth <u>saiah 49:7</u> some of the Gentile nations or ndividuals in them will abhor God's Servant; Gentile Kings shall see and arise & Princes shall bow down to God's choice, the Servant <u>saiah 49:22-23</u> God will lift up His hand to the Gentile nations & set up His standard to the geoples & they will bring Israel's sons in their bosoms and carry Israel's daughters on their shoulders; the Gentile kings shall be made to be Israel's guardians & their prin- cesses will be Israel's nurses. <u>saiah 49:26</u> All flesh will know that the LORD is Israel's Savior and their Redeemer, and Jacob's Mighty One. <u>saiah 50:10-11</u> those of the Gentiles who fear the LORD & obey His voice - let him trust in God's name & rely on Him <u>saiah 51:5</u> the Gentiles will wait expectantly for Him and His justice <u>saiah 52:10</u> in the sight of the Gentiles, God has bared His holy arms s.t all may see God's salvation.	the Servant in order to bring Jacob back to God & gathered to Him, to raise up Jacob's tribes & to restore the preserved ones of	 Isaiah 49:5 The Servant was formed to bring Jacob back to God, s.t. Israel would be gathered to God. Isaiah 49:6 The Servant was to raise up the tribes of Jacob & restore the preserved ones of Israel Isaiah 49:7 Some of the nation will abhor the Servant Isaiah 49:8 God has given the Servant for a covenant of the people to restore the land, to make them inherit the desolate heritages Isaiah 49:16 God says that He has inscribed Zion on the palms of His hands; that the walls of Jerusalem are continually before Him Isaiah 50:4 The Servant will have been given the tongue of Disciples s.t. He may know how to sustain the weary one with a word. Isaiah 50:6 The Servant gave His back to those who struck Him, His cheeks to those who plucked out His beard Isaiah 50:10-11 Those of Israel who will obey His voice and fear the LORD are told to trust in the name of the LORD and rely on their God. Those who rely on themselves of the Israelites will lie down in torment. Isaiah 52:13-15 God's Servant will prosper, be high & lifted up, greatly exalted. His appearance was marred more than any man, & His form more than the sons of men. He will sprinkle many nations, Kings will shut their mouth on account of Him. 	
¹ Warren W. Wiersbe, <i>Be Comforted</i> , USA, SP Publica- tions, 1992, p.122. ² John F. Walvoord, Roy B. Zuck, <i>The Bible Knowledge</i> <i>Commentary</i> , SP Publications, Inc., 1985, p. 1103.			

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ISAIAH CHAPTER 49 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

<u>Is. 49:1</u> ¶ Listen to Me, O islands, And pay attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called Me from the womb; From the body of My mother He named Me.

Is. 49:2 And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword; In the shadow of His hand He has concealed Me, And He has also made Me a select arrow; He has hidden Me in His quiver.

Is. 49:3 And He said to Me, "You are My Servant, Israel, In Whom I will show My glory."

<u>Is. 49:4</u> But I said, "I have toiled in vain, I have spent My strength for nothing and vanity; Yet surely the justice due to Me is with the LORD, And My reward with My God."

Is. 49:5 ¶ And now says the LORD, who formed Me from the womb to be His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, in order that Israel might be gathered to Him (For I am honored in the sight of the LORD, And My God is My strength),

<u>Is. 49:6</u> He says, "It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the nations So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

<u>Is. 49:7</u> Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, and its Holy One, To the despised One, To the One abhorred by the nation, To the Servant of rulers, "Kings shall see and arise, Princes shall also bow down; Because of the LORD who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel who has chosen You."

<u>Is. 49:8</u> ¶ Thus says the LORD, "In a favorable time I have answered You, And in a day of salvation I have helped You; And I will keep You and give You for a covenant of the people, To restore the land, to make them inherit the desolate heritages;

<u>Is. 49:9</u> Saying to those who are bound, 'Go forth,' To those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.' Along the roads they will feed, And their pasture will be on all bare heights. <u>Is. 49:10</u> "They will not hunger or thirst, Neither will the scorching heat or sun strike them down; For He who has compassion on them will lead them, And will guide them to springs of water. Is. 49:11 "And I will make all My mountains a road, And My highways will be raised up.

<u>Is. 49:12</u> "Behold, these shall come from afar; And lo, these will come from the north and from the west, And these from the land of Sinim."

<u>Is. 49:13</u> Shout for joy, O heavens! And rejoice, O earth! Break forth into joyful shouting, O mountains! For the LORD has comforted His people, And will have compassion on His afflicted.

<u>Is. 49:14</u> ¶ But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, And the Lord has forgotten me." <u>Is. 49:15</u> "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you.

<u>Is. 49:16</u> "Behold, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.

Is. 49:17 "Your builders hurry; Your destroyers and devastators Will depart from you.

<u>Is. 49:18</u> "Lift up your eyes and look around; All of them gather together, they come to you. As I live," declares the LORD, "You shall surely put on all of them as jewels, and bind them on as a bride.

<u>Is. 49:19</u> "For your waste and desolate places, and your destroyed land — Surely now you will be too cramped for the inhabitants, And those who swallowed you will be far away.

<u>Is. 49:20</u> "The children of whom you were bereaved will yet say in your ears, 'The place is too cramped for me; Make room for me that I may live here.'

<u>Is. 49:21</u> "Then you will say in your heart, Who has begotten these for me, Since I have been bereaved of my children, And am barren, an exile and a wanderer? And who has reared these? Behold, I was left alone; From where did these come?"

<u>Is. 49:22</u> ¶ Thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I will lift up My hand to the nations, And set up My standard to the peoples; And they will bring your sons in their bosom, And your daughters will be carried on their shoulders.

<u>Is. 49:23</u> "And kings will be your guardians, And their princesses your nurses. They will bow down to you with their faces to the earth, And lick the dust of your feet; And you will know that I am the LORD; Those who hopefully wait for Me will not be put to shame.

<u>Is. 49:24</u> ¶ "Can the prey be taken from the mighty man, Or the captives of a tyrant be rescued?"

<u>Is. 49:25</u> Surely, thus says the LORD, "Even the captives of the mighty man will be taken away, And the prey of the tyrant will be rescued; For I will contend with the one who contends with you, And I will save your sons.

<u>Is. 49:26</u> "And I will feed your oppressors with their own flesh, And they will become drunk with their own blood as with sweet wine; And all flesh will know that I, the LORD, am your Savior, And your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob."

ISAIAH CHAPTER 50 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme _____

Is. 50:1 ¶ Thus says the LORD, "Where is the certificate of divorce, By which I have sent your mother away? Or to whom of My creditors did I sell you? Behold, you were sold for your iniquities, And for your transgressions your mother was sent away. Is. 50:2 "Why was there no man when I came? When I called, why was there none to answer? Is My hand so short that it cannot ransom? Or have I no power to deliver? Behold, I dry up the sea with My rebuke, I make the rivers a wilderness; Their fish stink for lack of water, And die of thirst.

<u>Is. 50:3</u> "I clothe the heavens with blackness, And I make sackcloth their covering." <u>Is. 50:4</u> ¶ The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of disciples, That I may know how to sustain the weary one with a word. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear to listen as a disciple.

<u>Is. 50:5</u> The Lord GOD has opened My ear; And I was not disobedient, Nor did I turn back.

<u>Is. 50:6</u> I gave My back to those who strike Me, And My cheeks to those who pluck out the beard; I did not cover My face from humiliation and spitting.

<u>Is. 50:7</u> For the Lord GOD helps Me, Therefore, I am not disgraced; Therefore, I have set My face like flint, And I know that I shall not be ashamed.

<u>Is. 50:8</u> He who vindicates Me is near; Who will contend with Me? Let us stand up to each other; Who has a case against Me? Let him draw near to Me.

<u>Is. 50:9</u> Behold, the Lord GOD helps Me; Who is he who condemns Me? Behold, they will all wear out like a garment; The moth will eat them.

<u>Is. 50:10</u> Who is among you that fears the LORD, That obeys the voice of His servant, That walks in darkness and has no light? Let him trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

<u>Is. 50:11</u> Behold, all you who kindle a fire, Who encircle yourselves with firebrands, Walk in the light of your fire And among the brands you have set ablaze. This you will have from My hand; And you will lie down in torment.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 51 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

Is. 51:1 ¶ "Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, Who seek the LORD: Look to the rock from which you were hewn, And to the quarry from which you were dug. Is. 51:2 "Look to Abraham your father, And to Sarah who gave birth to you in pain; When he was one I called him, Then I blessed him and multiplied him." Is. 51:3 Indeed, the LORD will comfort Zion; He will comfort all her waste places. And her wilderness He will make like Eden, And her desert like the garden of the LORD; Joy and gladness will be found in her, Thanksgiving and sound of a melody. Is. 51:4 ¶ "Pay attention to Me, O My people; And give ear to Me, O My nation; For a law will go forth from Me, And I will set My justice for a light of the peoples. Is. 51:5 "My righteousness is near, My salvation has gone forth, And My arms will judge the peoples; The coastlands will wait for Me, And for My arm they will wait expectantly. Is. 51:6 "Lift up your eyes to the sky, Then look to the earth beneath; For the sky will vanish like smoke, And the earth will wear out like a garment, And its inhabitants will die in like manner, But My salvation shall be forever, And My righteousness shall not wane. Is. 51:7 "Listen to Me, you who know righteousness, A people in whose heart is My law; Do not fear the reproach of man, Neither be dismayed at their revilings. Is. 51:8 "For the moth will eat them like a garment, And the grub will eat them like wool. But My righteousness shall be forever, And My salvation to all generations."

<u>Is. 51:9</u> ¶ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; Awake as in the days of old, the generations of long ago. Was it not Thou who cut Rahab in pieces, Who pierced the dragon?

<u>Is. 51:10</u> Was it not Thou who dried up the sea, The waters of the great deep; Who made the depths of the sea a pathway For the redeemed to cross over?

<u>Is. 51:11</u> So the ransomed of the LORD will return, And come with joyful shouting to Zion; And everlasting joy will be on their heads. They will obtain gladness and joy, And sorrow and sighing will flee away.

<u>Is. 51:12</u> ¶ "I, even I, am He who comforts you. Who are you that you are afraid of man who dies, And of the son of man who is made like grass;

<u>Is. 51:13</u> That you have forgotten the LORD your Maker, Who stretched out the heavens, And laid the foundations of the earth; That you fear continually all day long because of the fury of the oppressor, As he makes ready to destroy? But where is the fury of the oppressor?

<u>Is. 51:14</u> "The exile will soon be set free, and will not die in the dungeon, nor will his bread be lacking.

<u>Is. 51:15</u> "For I am the LORD your God, who stirs up the sea and its waves roar (the LORD of hosts is His name).

<u>Is. 51:16</u> "And I have put My words in your mouth, and have covered you with the shadow of My hand, to establish the heavens, to found the earth, and to say to Zion, 'You are My people.""

<u>Is. 51:17</u> ¶ Rouse yourself! Rouse yourself! Arise, O Jerusalem, You who have drunk from the LORD's hand the cup of His anger; The chalice of reeling you have drained to the dregs.

<u>Is. 51:18</u> There is none to guide her among all the sons she has borne; Nor is there one to take her by the hand among all the sons she has reared.

<u>Is. 51:19</u> These two things have befallen you; Who will mourn for you? The devastation and destruction, famine and sword; How shall I comfort you?

<u>Is. 51:20</u> Your sons have fainted, They lie helpless at the head of every street, Like an antelope in a net, Full of the wrath of the LORD, The rebuke of your God.

Is. 51:21 ¶ Therefore, please hear this, you afflicted, Who are drunk, but not with wine:

<u>Is. 51:22</u> Thus says your Lord, the LORD, even your God Who contends for His people, "Behold, I have taken out of your hand the cup of reeling; The chalice of My anger, You will never drink it again.

<u>Is. 51:23</u> "And I will put it into the hand of your tormentors, Who have said to you, 'Lie down that we may walk over you.' You have even made your back like the ground, And like the street for those who walk over it."

ISAIAH CHAPTER 52 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

<u>Is. 52:1</u> ¶ Awake, awake, Clothe yourself in your strength, O Zion; Clothe yourself in your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city. For the uncircumcised and the unclean Will no more come into you.

<u>Is. 52:2</u> Shake yourself from the dust, rise up, O captive Jerusalem; Loose yourself from the chains around your neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

Is. 52:3 For thus says the LORD, "You were sold for nothing and you will be redeemed without money."

<u>Is. 52:4</u> For thus says the Lord GOD, "My people went down at the first into Egypt to reside there, then the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.

<u>Is. 52:5</u> "Now therefore, what do I have here," declares the LORD, "seeing that My people have been taken away without cause?" Again the LORD declares, "Those who rule over them howl, and My name is continually blasphemed all day long.

<u>Is. 52:6</u> "Therefore My people shall know My name; therefore in that day I am the one who is speaking, 'Here I am.'"

<u>Is. 52:7</u> ¶ How lovely on the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who announces peace And brings good news of happiness, Who announces salvation, And says to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

<u>Is. 52:8</u> Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices, They shout joyfully together; For they will see with their own eyes When the LORD restores Zion.

<u>Is. 52:9</u> Break forth, shout joyfully together, You waste places of Jerusalem; For the LORD has comforted His people, He has redeemed Jerusalem.

Is. 52:10 The LORD has bared His holy arm In the sight of all the nations, That all the ends of the earth may see The salvation of our God.

Is. 52:11 ¶ Depart, depart, go out from there, Touch nothing unclean; Go out of the midst of her, purify yourselves, You who carry the vessels of the LORD.

<u>Is. 52:12</u> But you will not go out in haste, Nor will you go as fugitives; For the LORD will go before you, And the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

Is. 52:13 ¶ Behold, My servant will prosper, He will be high and lifted up, and greatly exalted.

Is. 52:14 Just as many were astonished at you, My people, So His appearance was marred more than any man, And His form more than the sons of men.

Is. 52:15 Thus He will sprinkle many nations, Kings will shut their mouths on account of Him; For what had not been told them they will see, And what they had not heard they will understand.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 53 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

<u>Is. 53:1</u> ¶ Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

<u>Is. 53:2</u> For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, And like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty That we should look upon Him, Nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him.

<u>Is. 53:3</u> He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face, He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

<u>Is. 53:4</u> ¶ Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.

<u>Is. 53:5</u> But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.

<u>Is. 53:6</u> All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.

<u>Is. 53:7</u> ¶ He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth.

<u>Is. 53:8</u> By oppression and judgment He was taken away; And as for His generation, who considered That He was cut off out of the land of the living, For the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due?

<u>Is. 53:9</u> His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.

<u>Is. 53:10</u> ¶ But the LORD was pleased To crush Him, putting Him to grief; If He would render Himself as a guilt offering, He will see His offspring, He will prolong His days, And the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.

<u>Is. 53:11</u> As a result of the anguish of His soul, He will see it and be satisfied; By His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many, As He will bear their iniquities.

<u>Is. 53:12</u> Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great, And He will divide the booty with the strong; Because He poured out Himself to death, And was numbered with the transgressors; Yet He Himself bore the sin of many, And interceded for the transgressors.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 54 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

<u>Is. 54:1</u> ¶ "Shout for joy, O barren one, you who have borne no child; Break forth into joyful shouting and cry aloud, you who have not travailed; For the sons of the desolate one will be more numerous Than the sons of the married woman," says the LORD.

<u>Is. 54:2</u> "Enlarge the place of your tent; Stretch out the curtains of your dwellings, spare not; Lengthen your cords, And strengthen your pegs.

<u>Is. 54:3</u> "For you will spread abroad to the right and to the left. And your descendants will possess nations, And they will resettle the desolate cities.

<u>Is. 54:4</u> ¶ "Fear not, for you will not be put to shame; Neither feel humiliated, for you will not be disgraced; But you will forget the shame of your youth, And the reproach of your widowhood you will remember no more.

<u>Is. 54:5</u> "For your husband is your Maker, Whose name is the LORD of hosts; And your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, Who is called the God of all the earth.

<u>Is. 54:6</u> "For the LORD has called you, Like a wife forsaken and grieved in spirit, Even like a wife of one's youth when she is rejected," Says your God.

<u>Is. 54:7</u> "For a brief moment I forsook you, But with great compassion I will gather you. <u>Is. 54:8</u> "In an outburst of anger I hid My face from you for a moment; But with everlasting lovingkindness I will have compassion on you," Says the LORD your Redeemer.

<u>Is. 54:9</u> "For this is like the days of Noah to Me; When I swore that the waters of Noah Should not flood the earth again, So I have sworn that I will not be angry with you, Nor will I rebuke you.

<u>Is. 54:10</u> "For the mountains may be removed and the hills may shake, But My lovingkindness will not be removed from you, And My covenant of peace will not be shaken," Says the LORD who has compassion on you.

<u>Is. 54:11</u> ¶ "O afflicted one, storm-tossed, and not comforted, Behold, I will set your stones in antimony, And your foundations I will lay in sapphires.

<u>Is. 54:12</u> "Moreover, I will make your battlements of rubies, And your gates of crystal, And your entire wall of precious stones. Is. 54:13 "And all your sons will be taught of the LORD; And the well-being of your sons will be great.

<u>Is. 54:14</u> "In righteousness you will be established; You will be far from oppression, for you will not fear; And from terror, for it will not come near you.

<u>Is. 54:15</u> "If anyone fiercely assails you it will not be from Me. Whoever assails you will fall because of you.

<u>Is. 54:16</u> "Behold, I Myself have created the smith who blows the fire of coals, And brings out a weapon for its work; And I have created the destroyer to ruin.

<u>Is. 54:17</u> "No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; And every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their vindication is from Me," declares the LORD.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 55 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

<u>Is. 55:1</u> ¶ "Ho! Every one who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money come, buy and eat. Come, buy wine and milk Without money and without cost.

<u>Is. 55:2</u> "Why do you spend money for what is not bread, And your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, And delight yourself in abundance.

<u>Is. 55:3</u> "Incline your ear and come to Me. Listen, that you may live; And I will make an everlasting covenant with you, According to the faithful mercies shown to David.

<u>Is. 55:4</u> "Behold, I have made him a witness to the peoples, A leader and commander for the peoples.

<u>Is. 55:5</u> "Behold, you will call a nation you do not know, And a nation which knows you not will run to you, Because of the LORD your God, even the Holy One of Israel; For He has glorified you."

Is. 55:6 ¶ Seek the LORD while He may be found; Call upon Him while He is near.

<u>Is. 55:7</u> Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return to the LORD, And He will have compassion on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.

Is. 55:8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Neither are your ways My ways," declares the LORD.

<u>Is. 55:9</u> "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

<u>Is. 55:10</u> "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, And do not return there without watering the earth, And making it bear and sprout, And furnishing seed to the sower and bread to the eater;

<u>Is. 55:11</u> So shall My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what I desire, And without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it.

<u>Is. 55:12</u> "For you will go out with joy, And be led forth with peace; The mountains and the hills will break forth into shouts of joy before you, And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

<u>Is. 55:13</u> "Instead of the thorn bush the cypress will come up; And instead of the nettle the myrtle will come up; And it will be a memorial to the LORD, For an everlasting sign which will not be cut off."

ISAIAH CHAPTER 56 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

<u>Is. 56:1</u> ¶ Thus says the LORD, "Preserve justice, and do righteousness, For My salvation is about to come And My righteousness to be revealed.

<u>Is. 56:2</u> "How blessed is the man who does this, And the son of man who takes hold of it; Who keeps from profaning the sabbath, And keeps his hand from doing any evil."

Is. 56:3 Let not the foreigner who has joined himself to the LORD say, "The LORD will surely separate me from His people." Neither let the eunuch say, "Behold, I am a dry tree."

<u>Is. 56:4</u> For thus says the LORD, "To the eunuchs who keep My sabbaths, And choose what pleases Me, And hold fast My covenant,

<u>Is. 56:5</u> To them I will give in My house and within My walls a memorial, And a name better than that of sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name which will not be cut off.

<u>Is. 56:6</u> ¶ "Also the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, To minister to Him, and to love the name of the LORD, To be His servants, every one who keeps from profaning the sabbath, And holds fast My covenant;

<u>Is. 56:7</u> Even those I will bring to My holy mountain, And make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be acceptable on My altar; For My house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples."

<u>Is. 56:8</u> The Lord GOD, who gathers the dispersed of Israel, declares, "Yet others I will gather to them, to those already gathered."

Is. 56:9 \P All you beasts of the field, All you beasts in the forest, Come to eat.

<u>Is. 56:10</u> His watchmen are blind, All of them know nothing. All of them are dumb dogs unable to bark, Dreamers lying down, who love to slumber;

<u>Is. 56:11</u> And the dogs are greedy, they are not satisfied. And they are shepherds who have no understanding; They have all turned to their own way, Each one to his unjust gain, to the last one.

<u>Is. 56:12</u> "Come," they say, "let us get wine, and let us drink heavily of strong drink; And tomorrow will be like today, only more so.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 57 WORKSHEET

Chapter Theme

<u>Is. 57:1</u> ¶ The righteous man perishes, and no man takes it to heart; And devout men are taken away, while no one understands. For the righteous man is taken away from evil, <u>Is. 57:2</u> He enters into peace; They rest in their beds, Each one who walked in his upright way.

<u>Is. 57:3</u> "But come here, you sons of a sorceress, Offspring of an adulterer and a prostitute.

<u>Is. 57:4</u> "Against whom do you jest? Against whom do you open wide your mouth And stick out your tongue? Are you not children of rebellion, Offspring of deceit,

<u>Is. 57:5</u> Who inflame yourselves among the oaks, Under every luxuriant tree, Who slaughter the children in the ravines, Under the clefts of the crags?

<u>Is. 57:6</u> "Among the smooth stones of the ravine Is your portion, they are your lot; Even to them you have poured out a libation, You have made a grain offering. Shall I relent concerning these things?

<u>Is. 57:7</u> "Upon a high and lofty mountain You have made your bed. You also went up there to offer sacrifice.

<u>Is. 57:8</u> "And behind the door and the doorpost You have set up your sign; Indeed, far removed from Me, you have uncovered yourself; And have gone up and made your bed wide. And you have made an agreement for yourself with them, You have loved their bed, You have looked on their manhood.

<u>Is. 57:9</u> "And you have journeyed to the king with oil And increased your perfumes; You have sent your envoys a great distance, And made them go down to Sheol.

<u>Is. 57:10</u> "You were tired out by the length of your road, Yet you did not say, 'It is hopeless.' You found renewed strength, Therefore you did not faint.

<u>Is. 57:11</u> ¶ "Of whom were you worried and fearful, When you lied, and did not remember Me, Nor give Me a thought? Was I not silent even for a long time So you do not fear Me?

Is. 57:12 "I will declare your righteousness and your deeds, But they will not profit you.

<u>Is. 57:13</u> "When you cry out, let your collection of idols deliver you. But the wind will carry all of them up, And a breath will take them away. But he who takes refuge in Me shall inherit the land, And shall possess My holy mountain."

<u>Is. 57:14</u> ¶ And it shall be said, "Build up, build up, prepare the way, Remove every obstacle out of the way of My people."

<u>Is. 57:15</u> For thus says the high and exalted One Who lives forever, whose name is Holy, "I dwell on a high and holy place, And also with the contrite and lowly of spirit In order to revive the spirit of the lowly And to revive the heart of the contrite.

<u>Is. 57:16</u> "For I will not contend forever, Neither will I always be angry; For the spirit would grow faint before Me, And the breath of those whom I have made.

<u>Is. 57:17</u> "Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain I was angry and struck him; I hid My face and was angry, And he went on turning away, in the way of his heart.

Is. 57:18 "I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will lead him and restore comfort to him and to his mourners,

Is. 57:19 Creating the praise of the lips. Peace, peace to him who is far and to him who is near," Says the LORD, "and I will heal him."

Is. 57:20 But the wicked are like the tossing sea, For it cannot be quiet, And its waters toss up refuse and mud.

Is. 57:21 "There is no peace," says my God, "for the wicked."