## THE BOOK OF ISAIAH THE GOD OF OUR SALVATION

#### **ISAIAH CHAPTER 3:1-26**

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#### THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

## So Howz It Going? - Part 3

Discovering the Salvation of the Lord Through The Grace of God

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Introduction to the Text;

Isaiah 3:1-26

### The Book of Isaiah Chapter 3:1-26

Describes the utter overthrow of a nation that has willfully and intentionally departed from its dependence upon God.

I believe that, history both before and after the wise observation was made by Benjamin Franklin, proves his words true, when he said "I have lived, Sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth - that God Governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid?

"I'm convinced that God governs in the affairs of men."

#### Acts 17:26

From one man (blood) he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and He marked out their (1) appointed times in history and (2)the borders of their lands.

#### So Howz IT Going?

1.)	when God withholds His blessings	VS. 1-15	
2.)	When God removes the wants	vs. 16-23	

2a.)	When nothing of this world is left	vs. 16-17	

:16 Moreover the LORD says: "Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, And walk with outstretched necks And wanton eyes, Walking and mincing as they go, Making and jingling with their feet, 17 Therefore the Lord will strike with a scab The crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, And the LORD will uncover their secret parts

Bold, Sensual, Sexually Brazen

"Walking and mincing as they go"

moving in a provocative way so as to allure – to hook a man.

( have you ever fished without bait?)

#### Proverbs 5:3-11, 22-23

For the lips of an immoral woman are as sweet as honey, and her mouth is smoother than oil. 4 But in the end she is as bitter as poison, as dangerous as a double-edged sword. 5 Her feet go down to death; her steps lead straight to the grave. 6 For she cares nothing about the path to life. She staggers down a crooked trail and doesn't realize it. :7 So now, my sons, listen to me. Never stray from what I am about to say: 8 Stay away from her! Don't go near the door of her house......9 If you do, you will lose your honor and will lose to merciless people all you have achieved. 10 Strangers will consume your wealth, and someone else will enjoy the fruit of your labor. 11 In the end you will groan in anguish when disease consumes your body... 22 An evil man is held captive by his own sins; they are ropes that catch and hold him. 23 He will die for lack of self-control; he will be lost because of his great foolishness.

Sexual Promiscuity and Immorality is the final indicator before a nation is destroyed.

( the united states is condemned to destruction by its own actions. –

it cannot last, It will not last long from now )

# People love Porn more than History. People love violence more than peace.

If someone takes their clothes off online, a million people watch it and it goes viral.

If someone says they're a virgin and They're saving themselves for marriage, they're mocked beyond belief.

#### **Judges 21:25**

In those days there was no (*leadership in America*) king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes.

#### 1 Corinthians 3:11-15

For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, 13 each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. 14 If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. 15 If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

#### So Howz IT Going

**WHEN GOD REMOVES THE WANTS FROM OUR LIVES?** 

## 2b.) When status is reduced to ashes vs. 18-23

In that day the Lord will take away the finery: The jingling anklets, the scarves, and the crescents; 19 The pendants, the bracelets, and the veils; 20 The headdresses, the leg ornaments, and the headbands; The perfume boxes, the charms, 21 and the rings; The nose jewels, 22 the festal apparel, and the mantles; The outer garments, the purses, 23 and the mirrors; The fine linen, the turbans, and the robes.

#### 1 Peter 3:3-4

Do not let your adornment be merely outward - arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel - 4 rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.

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3.) When God leaves us to ourselves vs. 24-26

#### :24 And so it shall be

### Those are "concerning" words.

"And so it shall be" thus and so things will happen to you. These things will be upon you...

#### Galatians 6:7-9

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. 8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. 9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

## Blessings or Cursings

Q: What does your future look like?

Q: As of today, how do you think your life will end?

Q: Is the action you're taking a good thing or what?

#### Joshua 24:15

And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell.

But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

#### **Deuteronomy 30:19-20**

I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; **20** that you may love the LORD your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them."

#### John 10:9-10

I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. **10** The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

#### Psalm 32:8-9

The LORD says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you. **9** Do not be like a senseless horse or mule that needs a bit and bridle to keep it under control."

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**WHEN GOD LEAVES US TO OURSELVES?** 

#### 3b.) When what we needed cannot be had vs. 24b.

:24b ...Instead of a SWEET SMELL there will be a stench; Instead of a SASH, a rope; Instead of WELL-SET HAIR, baldness; Instead of a RICH ROBE, a girding of sackcloth; And branding instead of BEAUTY.

#### Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. 12 Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.

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#### 3c.) When we are brought to the end of us vs. 25-26

Your men shall fall by the sword,

Men today are still falling by the sword of this world.

Men unable, Men unwilling, Men incapable of honor.

25b And your mighty (skilled warriors) in the war -- (shall fall by the sword)

## When their military goes out to war,

they will fail in their mission.

26 Her gates (Jerusalem) shall lament and mourn, And she - being desolate (stripped) shall sit on the ground.

#### 1 Samuel 15:22

"Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to **obey** is better than sacrifice, And to **heed** than the fat of rams.

# Why Should We Care About These Things?

applying the applicable here and now

#1

## Because sometimes in life,

we must be brought down very low before we can really see or hear.

#2

## If it wasn't for God's grace tonight,

you would have been dead by now because He gives you each day.

#3

## He has sustained you to this moment,

He has done that for one purpose and that is your salvation.

#### Mark 8:35-37

For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. **36** For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? **37** Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

#4

## The LORD has preserved for you, both

His promises and His offer of forgiveness, restoration and eternal life.

>>>> The Cross, The Christ, The Call <<<<