

due December 18, 2016

**The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him (11:2)
Isaiah 9-11**

Monday (December 12)—prayerfully read Isaiah 9:1-12.

1. This chapter begins “Nevertheless” which seems to connect it to the previous two verses (8:21-22), and Isaiah seems to be saying that the darkness Israel next will be facing will be even worse than what they faced before; but then, 9:2 says that amid this darkness, what will happen?

2. What (or who) do you suppose that great light of 9:2 is, based on the following verses, specifically verses 6-7?

3. What was the joy being experienced by the nation being multiplied based on (9:3)? _____
(bonus reading) Verses 4-5 are difficult to understand (without looking at different translations or commentaries), but they seem to be saying that there will be a little break in their (Judah’s) current oppression (being under attack), but their final deliverance was not yet.
4. For what were Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria (two names for the same place) being condemned (9:9)?

5. In whom were the Ephraimites trusting in 9:9? _____
(bonus) What two adversaries (nations) did the LORD set up against Israel (Ephraim) (vs. 11-12)? _____
6. Take a verse (or thought) with you for the day that you can percolate (vs. 6-7)!

Tuesday (December 13)—prayerfully read Isaiah 9:13-21.

1. To whom were the Israelites not turning (9:13)?

2. Because the people were not turning to Him, who would the LORD cut off (9:14-15)? _____

(bonus) What two categories of people would the LORD cut off, and who is held responsible (v. 16)?

3. What actually was burning up the people (9:17-18)?

(bonus) What anomaly (something that deviates from what is standard, normal, or expected) is in verse 19?

4. What wrath will they be experiencing as identified in 9:20?

5. Who is against Judah (9:21)? _____
(bonus) What do you think is the antecedent of “this” in verse 21? (Is it just the first half of that verse, or does it refer back to the whole chapter?) _____

6. What can you apply to your life from this section (and take with you for the day)? _____

Wednesday (December 14)—prayerfully read Isaiah 10:1-14.

1. What four groups were the unrighteous abusing (10:1-2)?

2. What is the implied answer to the second question being asked in 10:6 (to whom will ye flee for help)? _____
(bonus) Who is the antecedent of “me” and who is the antecedent of “his” in 10:4? _____
3. Who did the LORD choose to be the rod of his anger (to be used against Israel)? (10:5)? _____
(bonus) Who do you suppose were “the people of His wrath” in v. 6? _____
4. Who is making the speech of 10:8-11 (you must look a little earlier in the chapter to find out)? _____
(bonus) What was the root problem of the one making this speech? _____
(double bonus) What do you suppose “his whole work” of 10:12 means? _____

5. What would the LORD do with proud Assyria after He finished using her as the rod of His anger (which we see in v. 1) (10:12)? _____
6. Take a verse (or thought) with you for the day. (Perhaps the thought would be helpful to consider how the Lord sometimes uses the wicked to discipline His children)! Did you? _____

Thursday (December 15)—prayerfully read Isaiah 10:15-27.

1. Who is the axe, and who is the “him that hews therewith” in 10:15? _____
2. What shall be for a fire (the _____ of Israel), and what shall be for a flame (his _____ One), and what do you suppose is the forest (including thorns and briars) which these shall consume (burn up) (10:16-19)? _____
3. What shall the remnant (and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob) in that day now do (10:20-21)? _____

(bonus) “Consumption” can mean “destruction” in verses 22-23; what do you suppose is being consumed by the Lord God of hosts? _____

4. Of whom were those dwelling in Zion not to be afraid, and how soon would God’s indignation (apparently against His people) cease (10:24-27)? _____
(bonus) What word picture did Isaiah use with Ahaz to picture how wasted Judah would be (v. 20)? _____
5. Scofield entitles the remaining verses of this chapter (10:28-34) “The approach of the Gentile hosts to the battle of Armageddon (Rev. 16:4; 19:11.” What kind of people especially are singled out to be brought down (10:33)? _____
6. Take a verse (or thought) with you for the day that you can percolate (perhaps v. 20).

Friday (December 16)—prayerfully read Isaiah 11:1-10.

1. Out of what tribe shall a rod and a Branch appear, and whose spirit shall rest upon him (11:1-2)? _____

(bonus) Describe that sevenfold Spirit briefly in your own words. _____

2. Give two things that will characterize this leader’s rule (11:3-5)? _____
3. What will characterize animals during this coming time (11:6-8)? _____
(bonus) What three formerly-wild animals will a child at this future time lead (v. 6)? _____
4. At this future blessed time, what shall fill the earth (11:9)? _____
5. In that day, what shall be a flag (ensign) to be sought (for a glorious rest!) (11:11)? _____
6. Take a thought or a verse with you for the day (perhaps v. 10).

Saturday (December 17)—prayerfully read Isaiah 11:11-16.

1. In that day, what shall the Lord recover for the second time, and from how many different locations will he gather them (11:11)? _____
(bonus) What is this remnant called in verse 12? _____
2. What two groups which before had tangled, now would get along (11:13)? _____
3. Who is the “they” of verse 14, and what shall they do together (11:13-14)? _____
4. What shall the LORD do again for His people (11:15-16)? _____
5. Take a break.
6. Take a truth with you for the day, perhaps one from 11:10 (or perhaps read chapter 12, which is a song of praise which ends this first section of Isaiah).

Sunday (December 18)—prayerfully review Isaiah 9-11.