

due February 19, 2017

**When thy judgments are in the earth [people] will learn (26:9)!
Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace (26:3)
Isaiah 26-27**

Remember to pray for Spirit-filling to understand and enjoy this study as you **mark, meditate, memorize, and master** these scriptures (Lk. 11:13)!

PRAY FOR ILLUMINATION AS YOU DO THIS STUDY!!

“Open thou mine eyes, that I may [regard with pleasure] wondrous things out of thy law” (Ps. 119:18)!

Isaiah Outline (LAB adapted)

A. Words of Judgment 1-35

1. Judgments of Israel and Judah (1-12)
2. Judgment of heathen nations (13-23)
3. Judgment in God’s purpose (24-35)

**B. HISTORIC ILLUSTRATION (of theme of Isaiah)—
Hezekiah (36-39)!!!**

C. Words of Comfort 40-66

1. The future Release (40-48)
2. The future Redeemer (49-57)
3. The future kingdom (58-66)

Monday (February 13)—prayerfully read and enjoy Isaiah 26:1-8.

Please emphasize in class time the questions marked with an asterisk (*), thanks.

1. Where will the song mentioned in 26:1 be sung? _____

(bonus) This song begins in verse 1—in what verse of this chapter do you suppose this song ends? _____

2. Who is invited to enter in the gates (of the strong city of verse 1) (26:2)? _____

*3. Who is kept in perfect peace (26:3-4)? _____

(bonus) We remember this verse 3 as Mrs. Shirley Zumkehr’s favorite verse (SZ was a faithful and godly woman who was long-time LCA secretary)—see if you can recite this verse from memory. Did you? _____

4. Who does the LORD use to bring down the high (26:5-6)?

5. In what way (path) should we find ourselves (26:7-8)?

(bonus) What is the desire of our soul?

6. Take a thought with you for the day from these verses to think about. _____

*Tuesday (February 14 **HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!**)—prayerfully read Isaiah 26:9-12, and then simply answer the questions.

1. When did we desire and seek the LORD (26:9)?

*2. When will people learn righteousness (what is right) (26:9)?

(bonus) For how many verses is this theme continued? _____

*3. When will the wicked not learn righteousness, and when will they see it (26:10-11)? _____

4. What will the LORD ordain for His people (26:12)? _____

(bonus) What doctrine is being seen magnificently(!) in 26:12? Hint: this doctrine also can be seen as an attribute of God. _____

5-6. The word “in” in verse 12 also can be rendered “for” (according to the Nelson Bible marginal reference); compare this verse with Philippians 2:13 (It is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure), and take it with you for the day.

Wednesday (February 15)—prayerfully read Isaiah 26:13-21, and answer the following.

1. What is Isaiah doing in 26:13, apparently ending it in verse 19? _____

2. What is forgotten in 26:13-14? _____

(bonus) Who is the only lord remembered? _____

3. What nation do you suppose is being talked about in 26:15-16? _____

4. Isaiah compares God's people to a woman expecting to give birth to a child, but fails to deliver that child (26:16-18); what had Israel literally failed to do (26:18)? _____

(note) Perhaps 26:19 is speaking of the "valley of dry bones" developed in Ezekiel 37:1-10.

5. What did Isaiah exhort his people to do at this time (26:20)? _____

6. Please let this passage talk with you (Proverbs 6:22) (and take it with you for the day). _____

Thursday (February 16)—prayerfully read Isaiah 27:1-7, and answer the following.

1. What shall the LORD punish and slay in that day (give its four different names) (27:1)? _____

2. What picture does Isaiah paint of the LORD's people (apparently) (27:2-8)? _____

3. How does Isaiah picture the LORD's enemies, and what will He do with them (27:4)? _____

*4. What four things will the LORD do for those who come of Jacob (I think we would say "born again") (27:6)? _____

5. What do you suppose is the meaning of 27:7? _____

6. Take a thought with you for today from this section (perhaps the thought of the LORD's continual care of His people, v. 3).

Friday (February 17)—prayerfully read Isaiah 27:7-13, and answer the following.

1. Isaiah 27:7-8 seem especially difficult to understand (certainly in the KJV). The GW (God's Word) translation is plausible (could be accurate, and is more understandable), and without further research, I will accept that. "Will the LORD hurt Israel as he hurt others who hurt them? Will he kill them as he killed others? He [The LORD] punished Israel by sending it away. He removed it with a fierce blast from the east winds" (GW vs. 7-8). These verses seem to be telling us that the LORD dealt even more severely with Israel's enemies than with Israel herself. Do you have a better explanation (and if so, please give it)?! _____

2. Isaiah 27:9 tells us that the LORD will make all the stones of the altar as what? _____

3. What do you suppose was the "defensed city [which] shall be desolate," and what will He that formed them (the people of that city) not show them (27:10-11)? _____

4. What will the LORD do for His people "in that day" (27:12)? _____

5. From where will God's people come, and where will they go (27:13)? _____

*6. Is there anything you get out of this section which feeds you (delights or helps you)?! _____

Saturday (February 18)—prayerfully review I Corinthians 13, and seek to commit it to memory. Did you do this? _____

Sunday (February 19)—prayerfully review Isaiah 26-27.