

due December 3, 2017

**I am the LORD, and there is none else (45:5)!  
Isaiah 44-45**

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

Monday (November 27)—prayerfully read/enjoy Isaiah 44:1-9.

1. Who is the LORD addressing (through Isaiah the prophet) in these verses; what three names are those being addressed given (44:1-2)? \_\_\_\_\_

2. The LORD tells Israel in verse 2 to “fear not,” and then gives a reason for them not to fear in verses 3-4; what is that reason?  
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(bonus) What is the Spirit compared to? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How will the Israelites show they are responding properly at that time (44:5)? \_\_\_\_\_

\*4. How many personalities are identified in 44:6? \_\_\_\_\_

5. How does the LORD Self-identify in 44:7-8 (and end of verse 6)? \_\_\_\_\_

6. In verse 8 the LORD states that they (the Israelites) have been His witnesses (that what He foretold would happen did happen); who were the witnesses for the graven images (44:9)!  
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Tuesday (November 28)—prayerfully read Isaiah 44:10-20.

1. Who shall be ashamed (44:10-11)?  
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2. What two types of workers are identified in 44:12-13 (who participate in building idols)? \_\_\_\_\_

(bonus) What pattern does the carpenter use to make his idol (verse 13)? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What four kinds of trees are used in making idols (44:14-15)?  
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4. What startling thing does the LORD point out regarding the materials used in building the very gods the idolaters would be worshipping (44:15-17)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Why are these idolaters so blind and foolish (44:18-20)?  
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\*6. What can you apply to your life from this section (and take it with you for the day)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Wednesday (November 29)—prayerfully read Isaiah 44:21-28.

1. What four or five things does the LORD tell His people Israel to remember (44:21-22)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(bonus) What do you suppose is meant by “I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins” (v. 22)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What has the LORD done (“the LORD hath done it”) in 44:23?  
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3. In what two ways does the LORD Self-identify in 44:24-25?  
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4. What does God do for those speaking for Him (44:26)?  
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5. What leader would the LORD be making His shepherd, and what would this man be performing (44:28)?  
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6. Meditate at least a little on 44:24 and the two things the Lord has done for us, and take your meditations with you for the day!

Thursday (November 30)—**prayerfully** read Isaiah 45:1-8.

1. What title did the LORD give Cyrus, and what would the LORD subdue before him (45:1)? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What two reasons did the LORD give Cyrus for going before him, and making crooked places straight, and giving him the treasures of darkness? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(bonus) Was Cyrus a believer while God was using Him? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What is the antecedent of “they” in 45:6?  
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4. What four things does God form (and create) in 45:7?  
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(bonus) What do you suppose God means when He says, “I create evil”? \_\_\_\_\_

5. In a word, what do you suppose God is bringing forth from heaven above and earth beneath (45:8)? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What truth of God most impresses you from this passage (and take it with you for the day)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Friday (December 1)—**prayerfully** read Isaiah 45:9-15.

1. What is pointed out as foolish in 45:9? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Who should be asked, and who should not be asked (implied), “concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands” (45:10-11)? \_\_\_\_\_

(bonus) What favorite title for God, used by Isaiah, appears again in these verses? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What doctrine is being covered in 45:12? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What man is being talked about in 45:13-14 (hint: 45:1), and whose substance would come into his kingdom?  
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(bonus) What “supplication” shall these defeated foreign nations declare (end of verse 14)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Isaiah 45:16 appears to be an exclamation by Isaiah following the declaration of the nations at the end of verse 14; if that is the case, in what sense was God hiding Himself? \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Meditate on how God “hides Himself” today (and take it with you for the day). \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday (December 2)—prayerfully read Isaiah 45:16-25.

1. Who will be ashamed and confounded, and who shall not be ashamed and confounded (45:16-17)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. For what reason did God form the earth, and what statement is given to compare God with others (45:18)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Earlier (in 45:15), God was said to be a God who hides Himself, but in verse 19 He claims, “I have not spoken in secret”; according to verse 20, people who set up wooden idols have no knowledge (of God, presumably); putting these thoughts together, along with verse 20, what keeps a person from the knowledge of God?  
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(bonus) What does the LORD speak (45:19, 23)? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Isaiah 45:22 is the verse credited with being the one the Lord used to save Charles Haddon Spurgeon. Read it at least three times, meditating on it and compare it with our chosen theme for the whole book of Isaiah (“Trust in the Holy One of Israel alone, for He only is salvation.” Did you? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Where do we have righteousness and strength (45:24-25)?  
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6. Give something you can apply to your life from this section, and take this thought with you for the day (perhaps verses 24-25 or verse 22)! \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sunday (December 3)—prayerfully review Isaiah 44-45.

Thank you for attempting this SSSG; it takes time and effort (thought), and I feel appreciation for your work!