

Isaiah 25

- ✓ Continuing with the prophecy of the previous chapter and what be the result of God Judging the earth, **Isaiah 25:1-5**. The end-times timeline is rapture then tribulation then second coming then millennial reign which will begin with a great feast, **Isaiah 25:6**. Another common theme in Old and New Testament is this feast: **Matthew 8:11; Revelation 19:7-9**. "There he will remove the cloud of gloom, the shadow of death that hangs over the earth. He will swallow up death forever! The Sovereign LORD will wipe away all tears.", **Isaiah 25:7-8**. Hallelujah! Notice, this is something that is repeated in the New Testament, but it was already spoken in the Old: That death would be swallowed up and that every tear would be wiped away. Very few things in the New Testament are actually new. "In that day the people will proclaim, "This is our God! We trusted in him, and he saved us! This is the LORD, in whom we trusted. Let us rejoice in the salvation he brings!" For the LORD's hand of blessing will rest on Jerusalem. But Moab will be crushed. It will be like straw trampled down and left to rot. God will push down Moab's people as a swimmer pushes down water with his hands. He will end their pride and all their evil works. The high walls of Moab will be demolished. They will be brought down to the ground, down into the dust.", **Isaiah 25:9-12**. Which mountain? Graphic stuff!
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Isaiah 26

- ✓ We have lived since the early days of the Garden of Eden under a dark lord and his minions as well as his proxies, the rulers of this world, **Isaiah 26:1-13**. The pain of childbirth is a very common idiom of bad times in general and end times prophecy in particular, **Isaiah 26:14-18; Micah 5:1-5a; Jeremiah 30:5-9; Isaiah 13:8; Matthew 24:4-8**. This part "could not accomplish deliverance for the earth." The Jews have had a tremendous burden upon them since they were created as people. To write and protect the word of God, to bear witness of His righteousness to a dark world, to bear the brunt of the attacks of Satan on God since he couldn't attack the Lord or assault heaven.
 - ✓ What follows is prediction of the rapture and resurrection. **Isaiah 26:19-21**; "Resurrection" in **Daniel 12:1-3**. The dead in Christ rise first, and then those who haven't died are changed into incorruptible bodies, **1st Thessalonians 4:15-18; 1st Corinthians 15:50-52**. The command "come" is linked directly; **Revelation 4:1**. The book of Revelation has an inspired table of contents: **Revelation 1:19**. We have John's vision in chapter one as division one, the church age from chapters 2-3 as division two, and the "After these things" beginning in chapter 4 with "come up here" and going through the end of the book. This is where the church is pulled out and is hidden away. The reference "your rooms" **John 14:2-3**, are dwelling places or rooms are being prepared for those who are His. Jesus will rapture the church out and away from the earth so that the Judgement of God can fall on it. There are prototypes: Enoch before the flood; Lot and family before the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah; Daniel before the fiery ordeal of his three friends. John is "caught up" (same as the Latin word "rapture") and views the rest of the events of the Revelation from Heaven. The phrase "until the indignation has past" in Revelation tells us that after the rapture of the church a 7 year tribulation will decimate the planet killing half of its inhabitants and then Jesus will return and will be with Him as He comes to remove the usurpers from His planet. Then we will be reigning with Him for 1000 years over the current creation. He hasn't done this yet, When God sets things right it's going to be something else!, **Isaiah 26:21**. Jesus stopped reading at a comma in **Isaiah 61: 1-2a (Luke 4:18-21)** and not at the end of the statement in **Isaiah 61:3**.
 - ✓ The job of the "goel" or "kinsman-redeemer" of the Old Testament is demonstrated in the Book of Ruth by Boaz, redeeming land and people. Jesus is our kinsman, He is a man, and he is our redeemer, He is God. Redeeming isn't the only job of the "goel," their other job was avenging blood, hunting down perpetrators and bringing them to justice. This second job of Jesus is the one being spoken of here in **Isaiah 26:21**.
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Isaiah 27

- ✓ Don't let yourself be distracted by the chapter break, this all one thought process. **Isaiah 27:1**. What day, "In that day"? The Last Days when the church will be hidden away, and the Lord stands to judge the world. The "Leviathan" is a generic name for both literal figurative creatures, in this case it is figurative; what problem is a literal sea monster to Israel? Remember where the Antichrist is said to come from: **Revelation 13:1**. The sea is the sea of peoples, and the monster is this one who is Satan (the serpent) incarnate.
 - ✓ The parable of the vineyard in **Matthew 21:33-41**, Israel is that vineyard. **Isaiah 27:6** says, "Fill the whole earth with fruit." It tells us in Revelation that when the church is removed the Lord's attention returns to Israel and Israel is converted and returned to its place as God's representatives: **Revelation 7:1-14**. Spiritual fruit is the focus here, but this has also come true in the field agriculture. Israel is the third largest exporter of fruit in the world, and it is the size of the Rio Grande Valley area from Rio Grande city to South Padre. We have a blessing again on these three nations, **Isaiah 27:7-13**, Israel, Assyria and Egypt. "Blow a trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, proclaim a solemn assembly, gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and the nursing infants. Have the groom come out of his room and the bride out of her bridal chamber.", **Joel 2:15-16**. Who is the groom?, Jesus. Who is the bride?, Us.
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