

18 - Bible Overview

Isaiah

The Law: *Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy*

These books cover creation, exodus from Egypt, wandering in the desert, and the laws God gave the people during this time to help them establish a government and build a nation.

History: *Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings, and 1 and 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther.* These books describe the history of the nation of Israel and are divided into two sections: Pre-Exile and Post Exile.

We have also completed the books of Poetry. These books include: *Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs.*

Today we embark on the Prophets. There are sixteen prophets. Some are called major-prophets and other minor prophets. While you would think this meant that some were more important than others, it does not. The longer books are called major and shorter books are the minor-prophets.

These men prophesied during the Pre-Exile and Post Exile years of Israel, which are the years after they settled in Canaan (Israel today) and were not living for God.

Some of the prophets were sent to Northern Israel and others to southern Israel or Judah.

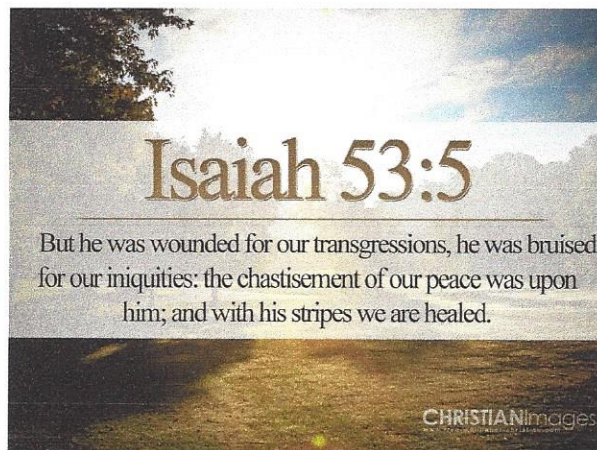
Today we study the prophet Isaiah. He is a major prophet and probably the most famous and greatest prophet of all. The people liked Isaiah at first, but like most prophets they came to hate his message of judgment and therefore turned on him.

Isaiah preached to both Northern Israel and Judah. However, he probably spent most of his time in Judah - most likely the city of Jerusalem. His ministry was before the people went into exile, but towards the end of his ministry Northern Israel fell to the Assyrians.

In the first half of the Book of Isaiah the prophet preached to the people telling them to repent and turn to God before it was too late. In the second half he actually preached words of comfort. He told the people that although they will spend time in exile eventually God will allow them to return home.

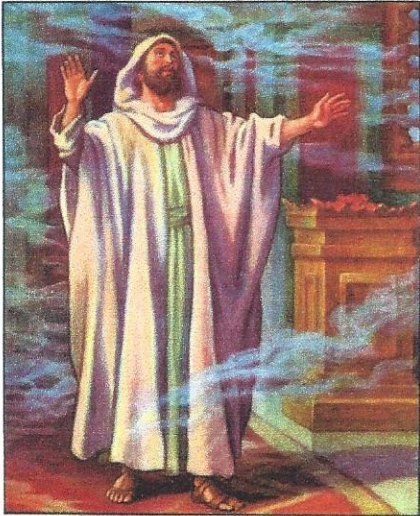


Isaiah also talks about the coming Messiah. In fact, he talks about Him more than any other prophet. He called Jesus a suffering Servant and sovereign Lord. Many of Isaiah's prophecies concerned the coming of Jesus and he is quoted many times in the New Testament.



DEVOTION

Read Isaiah Chapter 6.



What were the angels called _____.

How many wings did they have? _____

Could the angels speak? _____

Isaiah was in awe watching the angels and realized his _____.

One of the angels touched his lips with a _____ and told him that he was _____.

Did Isaiah argue with God about being God's messenger? _____

What was the message Isaiah had to tell the people? _____

PRAYER

Dear God, Thank you for the Bible and all it teaches us about you and how to live. Help me to be like Isaiah and see my sin, go where you call, and do my job well for you. In Jesus Name, Amen.

My name is _____ I am

_____ years old. I am walking through the Bible with

_____ on this date _____.

FOR A TODDLER

What you need: Nothing extra today

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God wanted Isaiah to
Be a prophet. A prophet
tells other people messages
from God.



Before he became a prophet
What did Isaiah do?



God sent Seraphim (angels) to
let Isaiah know he was forgiven.
Did you know Seraphim have
6 wings?



Thank you for forging Isaiah
And me.

PRAYER

Dear God, I know that I am not always good. I want to be like Isaiah and ask forgiveness. Thank you for forgiving me. Amen.

My name is _____ . I am
_____ years old. I am walking through the Bible with
_____ on this date _____ .