



Hope for a Broken World

The Problem

Diagnosed

Isaiah Chapters 1 to 5

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“How the faithful city has become a whore, she who was full of justice!

Righteousness lodged in her, but now murderers. Your silver has become dross, your best wine mixed with water.

Your princes are rebels and companions of thieves. Everyone loves a bribe and runs after gifts.

They do not bring justice to the fatherless, and the widow's Cause does not come to them.”

Chap 1 v 21-23

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The Problem Diagnosed/Judged



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Brokenness

- Sin: missing the mark.

"though your sins are like scarlet" (1 v 18)

- Iniquity: wilful, perverse or twisted

*"your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God
your sins have hidden his face from you so he does not hear"
(59 v 2)*

- Transgression: rebellion, wilful breach of relationship

"he was pierced for our transgressions" (53 v 5)



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What being broken looks like

- **Iniquity** National : Chap 1 v 4
- **Insincerity** in worship: Chap 1 v 14,15
- **Injustice** accepted: Chap 1 v 23
- **Infidelity** totally faithless: Chap 2 v 8

..He stands to judge people, The Lord will enter into Judgement...



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Pictures of hope

- Remnant; Chap 1 v 9
- Cleansing; Chap 1 v 18
- Redemption; Chap 1 v 26,27
- Light which draws; 2 v 5
- Coming Branch; Chap 4 v 2
- Marriage; 4 v 5



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The Marriage Picture



Chup.pah

You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and
your land shall no more be termed Desolate

but you shall be called My Delight Is in
Her, and your land Married; for
the Lord delights in you, and your land shall
be married.

For as a young man marries a young
woman, so shall your sons marry you,

and as the bridegroom rejoices over the
bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Chap 62 v 4,5



**BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO
ARE CALLED TO THE MARRIAGE
SUPPER OF THE LAMB!**

REVELATION 19:9

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The Parable of the Vineyard

- Love Song.
- Total Investment.
- Useless crop.
- Destroyed.



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Justice & Righteousness

- Justice (mishpat) but found bloodshed (mispach)
- Righteousness (tsedequah) but found despair (tse'adah)

But the Lord of hosts is exalted in justice (will be exalted by his justice) and the Holy God shows himself holy in righteousness, (proved holy by his righteous acts) Chap 5 v 16

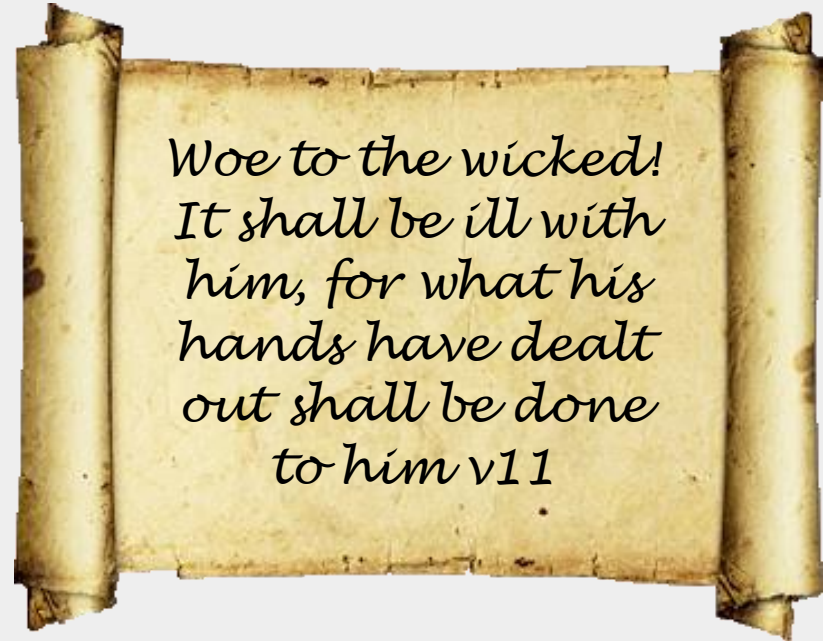
But let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever flowing stream Amos 5 v 24

ALL SCRIPTURE
IS INSPIRED BY **GOD** FOR
TRAINING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS
2 TIMOTHY 3:16

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Woe to the wicked

- Greed; v 8,9
- Drunkenness; v 11,12
- Blasphemy; v 18,19
- Perversity; v 20
- Arrogance; v 21
- Injustice; v 22, 23



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Therefore !

- God is exalted in His Holy Righteousness; v 13-17
 - Man is brought low
 - Sheol has a huge appetite
 - Exile
- God brings Judgement/Justice; v 24-30
 - A devouring anger
 - Outstretched arm
 - Nations are coming
 - Darkness and distress

“Some Christians have taken all the justice, judgement and hatred of sin out of the nature of God - and have nothing left but a soft God”

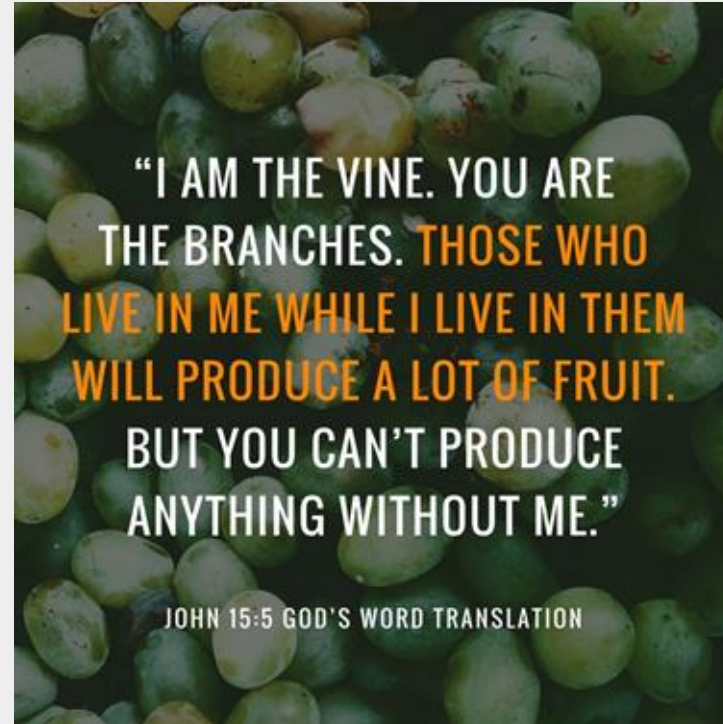
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Application !

“what can be done for the people of God when a total work of grace has been launched on them and yet they remain as if grace has never troubled them ?”

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