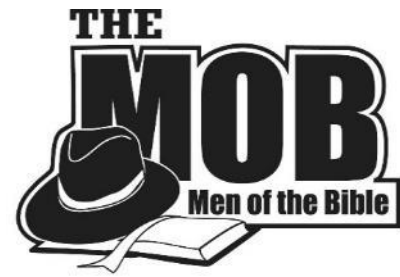


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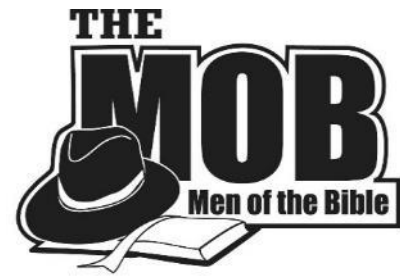
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Great is Thy Faithfulness

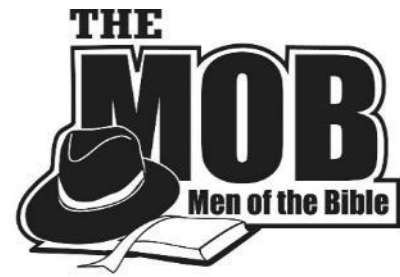
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**Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

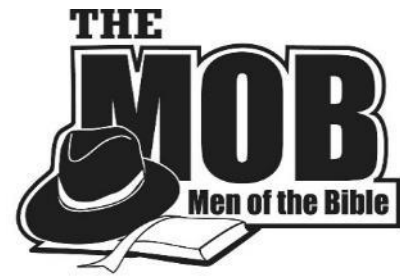
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**Great is Thy faithfulness
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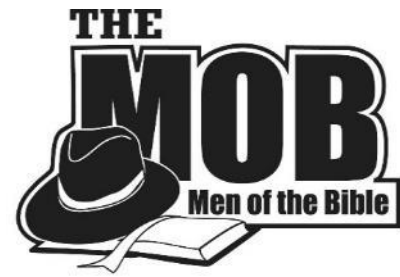
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**Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature
In manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness
Mercy and love**

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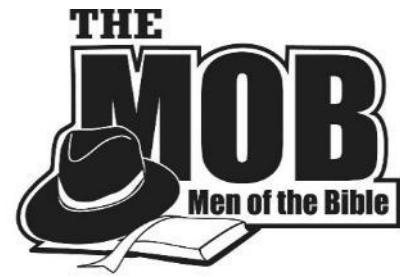
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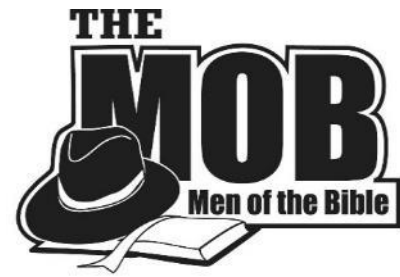
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**Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

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Memory Verse

Proverbs 29:18 (ESV)

Where there is no prophetic vision, the people cast off restraint, but blessed is he who keeps the law.

Our Study of Isaiah

Last Meeting:

- **Isaiah 20 & 21, Sign Against Cush and Egypt, Babylon Is Fallen**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 16:5**
- ***Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.137-144; Motyer, pp.171-179.***

This Meeting:

- **Isaiah 22, An Oracle Concerning Jerusalem**
- **Memory Verse: Proverbs 29:18**
- ***Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.144-151; Motyer, pp.179-189.***
- **Refreshment Host: Small Group E**

Isaiah Bible Study Schedule for Spring 2023

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15	JAN 3	Isaiah 15, 16, 17 Oracles Concerning Moab and Damascus Constable's Notes, pp. 123 - 128, Motyer, pp. 149 - 161	-
16	JAN 10	Isaiah 18, 19 Oracles Concerning Cush and Egypt Constable's Notes, pp. 129 - 137, Motyer, pp. 161 - 170	C
17	JAN 17	Isaiah 20, 21 Sign Against Cush and Egypt, Babylon is Fallen Constable's Notes, pp. 137 - 144, Motyer, pp. 170 - 179	D
18	JAN 24	Isaiah 22 An Oracle Concerning Jerusalem Constable's Notes, pp. 144 - 151, Motyer, pp. 179 - 189	E
19	JAN 31	Isaiah 23 An Oracle Concerning Tyre and Sidon Constable's Notes, pp. 151 - 156, Motyer, pp. 189 - 194	F
20	FEB 7	Isaiah 24 Judgment on the Whole Earth Constable's Notes, pp. 156 - 165, Motyer, pp. 194 - 207	G
21	FEB 14	Isaiah 25, 26, 27 Death Swallowed Up, Perfect Peace, Israel Redeemed Constable's Notes, pp. 165 - 178, Motyer, pp. 207 - 226	A



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Isaiah Outline

Focus	Prophecies of Condemnation								Historical Parenthesis		Prophecies of Comfort					
	1:1				35:10				36:1	39:8	40:1			66:24		
Divisions	Prophecies Against Judah		Prophecies Against the Nations		Prophecies Against the Day of the Lord		Prophecies of Judgement and Blessing		Sickness and Sin	Hezekiah's Salvation	Israel's Deliverance	Israel's Deliverer	Israel's Glorious Future			
	1:1	12:6	13:1	23:18	24:1	27:13	28:1	35:10	36:1	39:8	40:1	48:22	49:1	57:21	58:1	66:24
Topics	Prophetic We are here! Judgement								Historic Transition		Messianic Hope					
Place	Israel & Judah															
Time	740 - 680 B.C.															

Why are we here?

- To be preoccupied with getting theological knowledge as an end in itself, to approach Bible study with no higher a motive than a desire to know all the answers, is the direct route to a state of self-satisfied self-deception. We need to guard our hearts against such an attitude and pray to be kept from it.

–J.I. Packer

Isaiah Chapters 1-21

What has God made known about
Himself in our study so far?

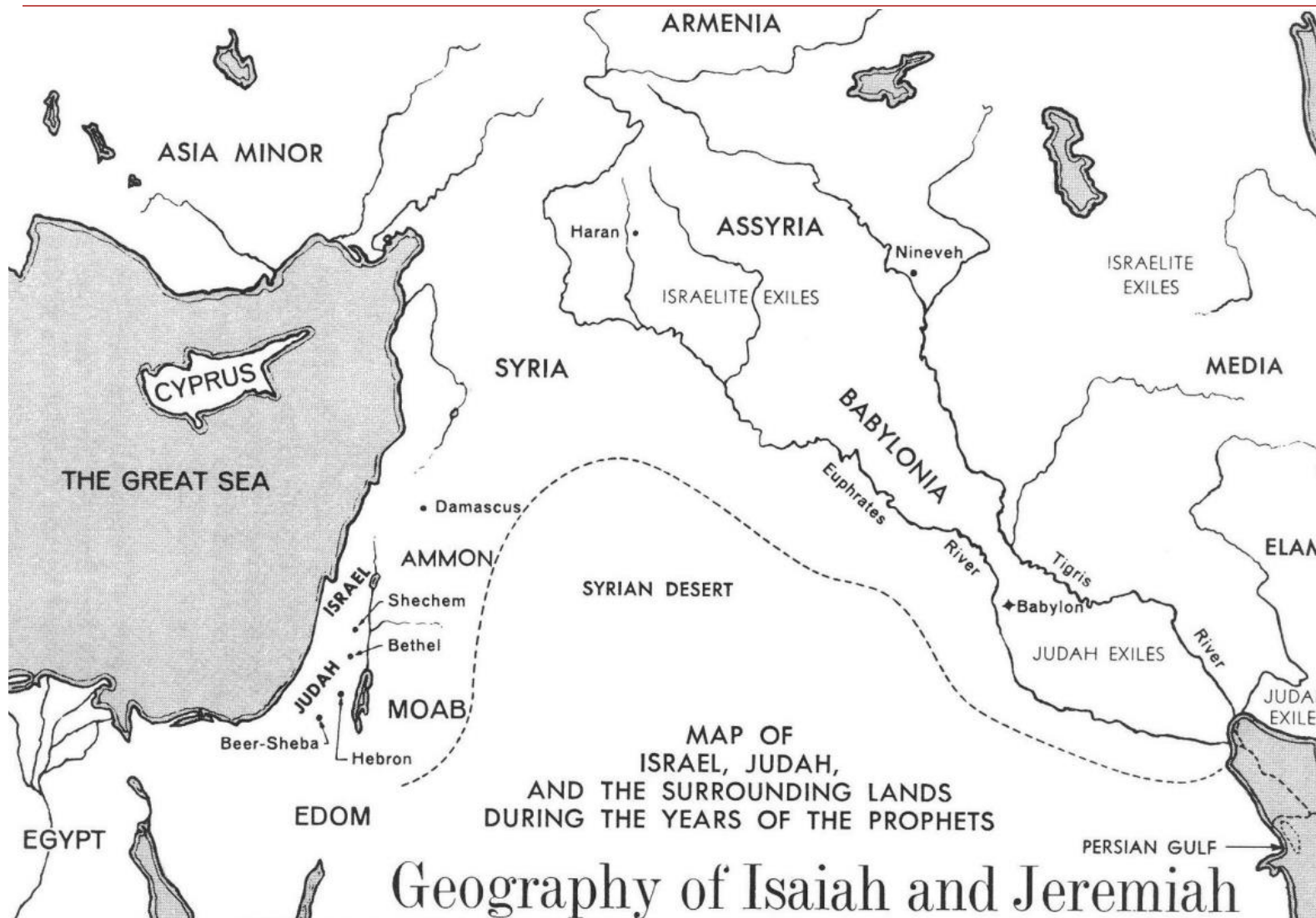
Holy Merciful Sovereign

Just Omnipotent



Isaiah 13-23

Oracles and Prophecies



- Babylon (political) (13-14)
- Assyria (14)
- Philistia (14)
- Moab (15-16)
- Damascus/Ephraim (17-18)
- Cush (18 / 20)
- Egypt (19 / 20)
- Babylon (religious) (21)
- **Jerusalem (22)**
- Tyre (23)
- Sidon (23)

Lesson Overview

Isaiah Chapter 22

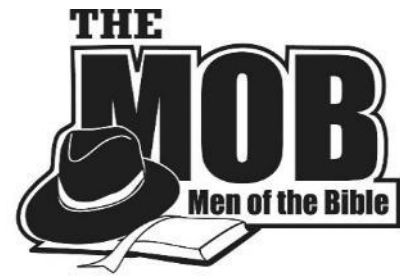
City of Jerusalem In Distress (verses 1-14)

Royal official Shebna (verses 15-19)

Family of Eliakim (verses 20-25)

Isaiah 22:1-4

An Oracle Concerning Jerusalem



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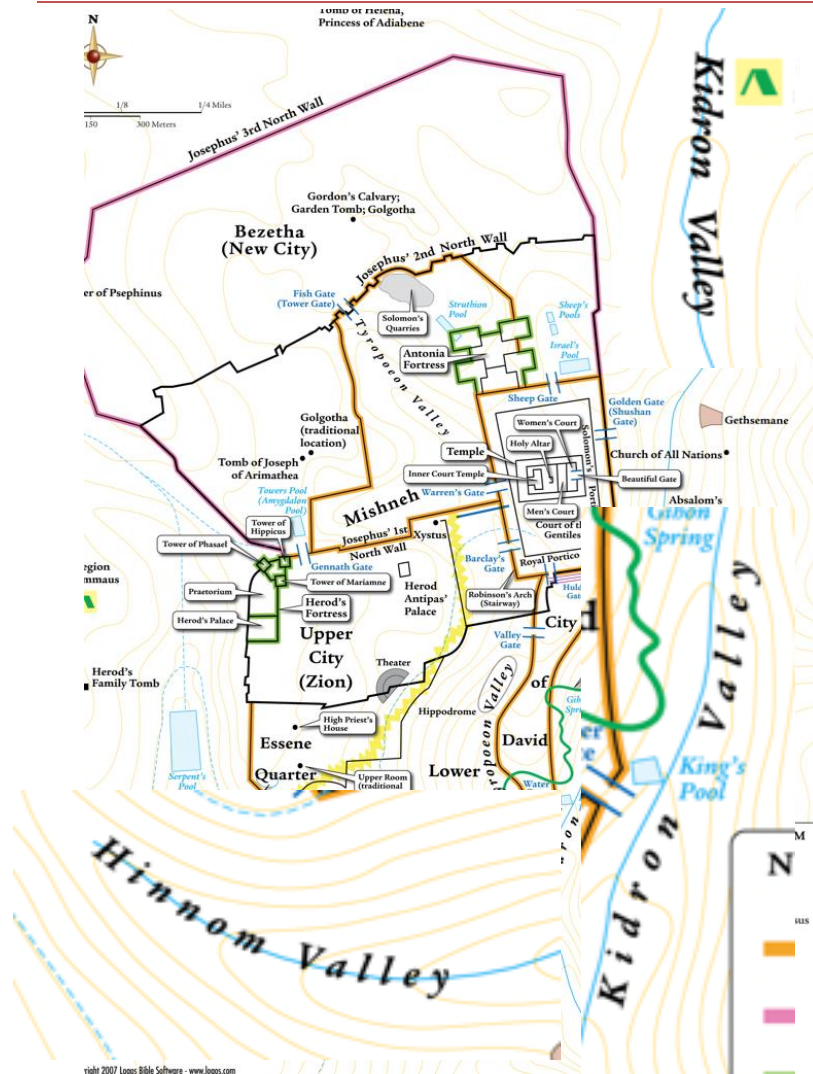
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³All your leaders have fled together; without the bow they were captured. All of you who were found were captured, though they had fled far away.

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Isaiah 22:1-4

Valley of Vision

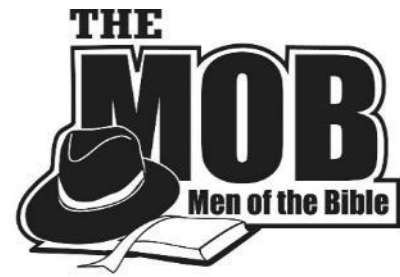


Valley of Vision

Literal?	Metaphorical?
Valley	
<p>Jerusalem had valleys along the east, west and south – Kidron and Hinnom valleys</p>	<p>Isaiah spoke of dark, foreboding times and “endured a ‘dark night of the soul’ as he contemplated the inevitable judgment that would come on his city.” - Motyer</p>
Vision	
<p>Home-base for where God spoke to Isaiah</p>	<p>“In this valley there was a notable lack of vision among God’s people when it came to seeing things from His perspective.” - Constable</p>

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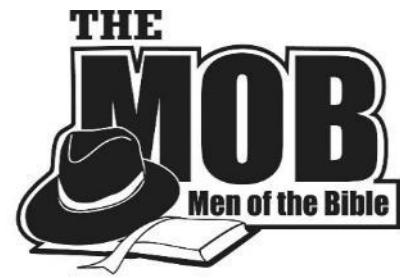
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- “What business have you...?” or “What do you mean by...?”
- Death – but not in battle – points to siege conditions
- Leaders fled – an utter failure to lead
- Isaiah is unwilling to be consoled – “do not try...”

Isaiah 22:5-8a

God-Ordained Defeat is Coming



⁵For the Lord God of hosts has a day of tumult and trampling and confusion in the valley of vision, a battering down of walls and a shouting to the mountains.

⁶And Elam bore the quiver with chariots and horsemen, and Kir uncovered the shield.

⁷Your choicest valleys were full of chariots, and the horsemen took their stand at the gates.

⁸He has taken away the covering of Judah.

Isaiah 22:1-8a

Context

- Events – Assyria / Sennacherib or Babylon / Nebuchadnezzar?
- Elam – had history as an ally of Assyria. However, “As Assyria weakened, Elam (and Anshan) became part of the kingdom of the Medes. Thus, they participated with the Babylonians in the defeat of the Assyrian Empire.” – Holman Bible
- Siege conditions (v7) – “valleys were full of chariots, and the horsemen took their stand at the gates.”
- Leaders fleeing



Isaiah 22:1-8a

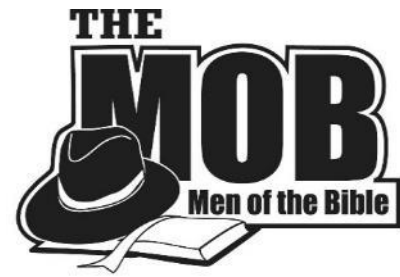
Leaders Fled

2 Kings 25:1-6

And in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, on the tenth day of the month, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came with all his army against Jerusalem and laid siege to it. And they built siegeworks all around it. So the city was besieged till the eleventh year of King Zedekiah. On the ninth day of the fourth month the famine was so severe in the city that there was no food for the people of the land. **Then a breach was made in the city, and all the men of war fled by night** by the way of the gate between the two walls, by the king's garden, and the Chaldeans were around the city. And they went in the direction of the Arabah. But the army of the Chaldeans **pursued the king and overtook him** in the plains of Jericho, and all his army was scattered from him. Then they captured the king and brought him up to the king of Babylon at Riblah, and they passed sentence on him.

Isaiah 22:5-8a

God-Ordained Defeat is Coming



5For the Lord God of hosts has a day of tumult and trampling and confusion in the land, and a shouting to the mountains and a shouting to the hills. **Explains his weeping, looks back to his weeping and a shouting to the mountains and a shouting to the hills explanation in verses 2 and 3**

6And Elam bore the quiver with chariots and horsemen, and Kir uncovered the shield.

7Your choicest valleys were full of chariots, and the horsemen took their stand at the gates. **God ordained time of judgment**

8He has taken away the covering of Judah.

Isaiah 22:8b-11

Man-focused Preparation

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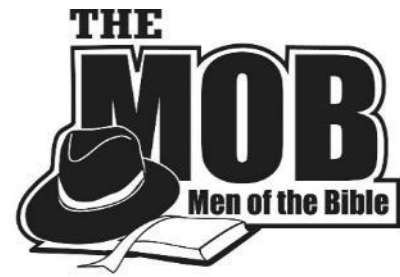
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Isaiah 22:12-14

Contrast – Mourning vs Gladness



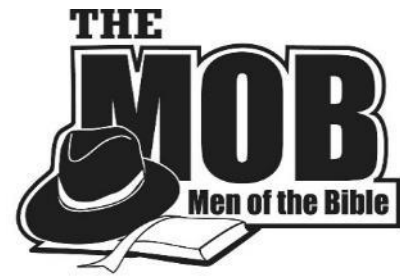
¹²In that day the Lord God of hosts called for weeping and mourning, for baldness and wearing sackcloth;

¹³and behold, joy and gladness, killing oxen and slaughtering sheep, eating flesh and drinking wine. “Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.”

¹⁴The Lord of hosts has revealed himself in my ears: “Surely this iniquity will not be atoned for you until you die,” says the Lord God of hosts.

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- A call for repentance is met with revelry and fatalism.
- Normally ancient Near Easterners used cattle and sheep for producing milk and wool; they did not slaughter them to eat

The whole passage is a set piece on the contrast between
salvation by faith and salvation by works.

- Motyer

would not forgive the people's unbelief in
Himself. As long as they continued to trust
in themselves rather than in Him, He
would not save them. - Constable

Isaiah 22:1-14

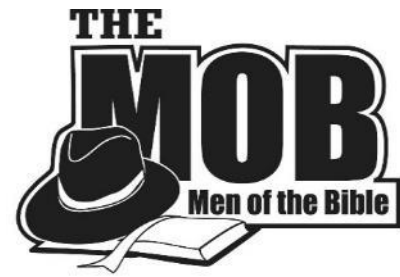
Summary

- Questionable joy (1–2a) - Celebration on the housetops
- Coming calamity (2b–4) - Babylon will lay siege and your leaders will flee
- Explanation: the day the Lord has ready (5–7) – More re: Babylonian siege
- Past choices (8–11) – When Assyria attacked, the people did not look to the LORD
- Culpable joy (12–14) – Should have been in a state of repentance

Is not Isaiah in principle saying, ‘If you could see coming what I see coming, there would be no rejoicing’? (Motyer)

Isaiah 22:15-19

The Pride of Shebna



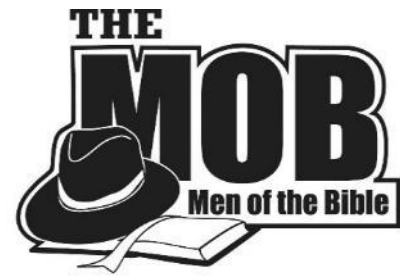
¹⁵Thus says the Lord God of hosts, “Come, go to this steward, to Shebna, who is over the household, and say to him:

¹⁶What have you to do here, and whom have you here, that you have cut out here a tomb for yourself, you who cut out a tomb on the height and carve a dwelling for yourself in the rock? ¹⁷Behold, the Lord will hurl you away violently, O you strong man. He will seize firm hold on you

¹⁸and whirl you around and around, and throw you like a ball into a wide land. There you shall die, and there shall be your glorious chariots, you shame of your master’s house. ¹⁹I will thrust you from your office, and you will be pulled down from your station.

Isaiah 22:15-19

The Pride of Shebna



Isaiah 36:1–3 (ESV)

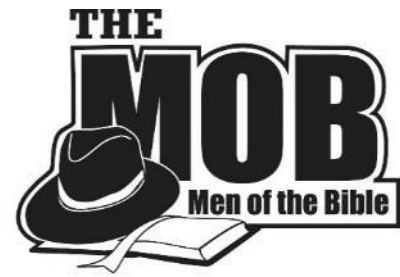
¹In the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and took them.

²And the king of Assyria sent the Rabshakeh from Lachish to King Hezekiah at Jerusalem, with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool on the highway to the Washer's Field.

³And there came out to him **Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary,** and Joah the son of Asaph, the recorder.

Isaiah 22:20-25

Eliakim – Honored For a Time



²⁰In that day I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, ²¹and I will clothe him with your robe, and will bind your sash on him, and will commit your authority to his hand. And he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. ²²And I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David. He shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. ²³And I will fasten him like a peg in a secure place, and he will become a throne of honor to his father's house. ²⁴And they will hang on him the whole honor of his father's house, the offspring and issue, every small vessel, from the cups to all the flagons. ²⁵In that day, declares the Lord of hosts, the peg that was fastened in a secure place will give way, and it will be cut down and fall, and the load that was on it will be cut off, for the Lord has spoken.”

Conclusion

In this chapter, we see the people's attempt to solve their problems with their own devices. We see specific individuals: one who has an inflated sense of self - and another who, although capable, ultimately fails.

Stop trusting in man!

Do we look to our own devices? Or do we seek the God of the universe in prayer and His Word?

“If it is true that God is the Sovereign of the universe, then our first task in a moment of crisis is to be sure that all is clear between him and ourselves. Then other preparations, if necessary, can follow.” – Oswalt

Re: Verse 12 – Are there ways in which we do not take our sin seriously? Is God calling for repentance in areas of our lives?

Next Meeting – 31 Jan

- Review:
- Isaiah 22, An Oracle Concerning Jerusalem
- Memory Verse: Proverbs 29:18
- *Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.144-151; Motyer, pp.179-189.*

- Study:
- Isaiah 23 - An Oracle Concerning Tyre and Sidon
- Memory Verse: Romans 3:23
- *Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.151-156; Motyer, pp. 189-194*
- Refreshment Host: Group F

Discussion & Application

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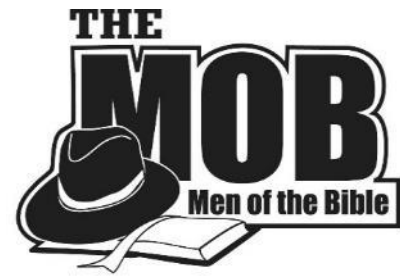
- After addressing oracles of judgment to many surrounding nations, what surprises you about Isaiah turning to address Judah and Jerusalem?
- Isaiah is talking about some future events. What time-frame is he discussing and how do you know?
- Where are the people's minds and hearts in this chapter? What does Isaiah see as the proper attitude of the people and why? What is Isaiah's attitude?
- What does verse 8 mean when it says, "And He removed the defense of Judah"?

Discussion & Application

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- What verses or messages from earlier in Isaiah would be relevant to Judah and Jerusalem in the time Isaiah foresees?
- Verse 14 says “Surely this iniquity shall not be forgiven you Until you die.” What was their unforgiveable sin? How should they have corrected it?
- Why would Isaiah turn from talking about the affairs of the nation to talking about two specific individuals, Shebna and Eliakim? How to they relation to the national message?
- How does this chapter contrast salvation by works to salvation by faith?

Closing



- **Benediction**
- **Small Groups**

