



WELCOME TO THE MOB!

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV)



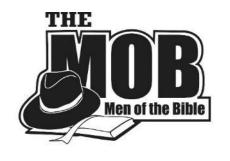
Announcements



- Welcome to the MOB!
- Easter Pageant, "A.D. Easter And Beyond,"
 - -- Thur, Mar 30 and Fri, Mar 31 at 7:30 pm.
 - -- Sat, Apr 1 at 2 pm, Sun, Apr 2 at 5 pm.
- Assist Run/Walk/Ride May 13, sign up at:
 - -- https://runsignup.com/WRRforLife



Please Rise



• Invocation/Prayer.

• Song:

"Jesus Shall Reign"





1 of 5

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

does its successive journeys run,

his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,

till moons shall wax and wane no more.





2 of 5

To him shall endless prayer be made,

and praises throng to crown his head.

His name like sweet perfume shall rise

with every morning sacrifice.





3 of 5

People and realms of every tongue

dwell on his love with sweetest song,

and infant voices shall proclaim

their early blessings on his name.



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Blessings abound where'er he reigns:

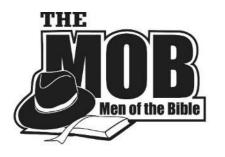
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,

the weary find eternal rest,

and all who suffer want are blest.



Jesus Shall Reign 5 of 5



Let every creature rise and bring

the highest honors to our King,

angels descend with songs again,

and earth repeat the loud amen.



Memory Verse



Isaiah 34:16 (ESV)

"Seek and read from the book of the LORD: Not one of these shall be missing; none shall be without her mate. For the mouth of the Lord has commanded, and his Spirit has gathered them."

Isaiah 34:16 (ESV)



Our Study of Isaiah



Last Meeting:

- Isaiah 33, O LORD, Be Gracious To Us
- Memory Verse: Isaiah 33:22
- Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp. 211-218; Motyer, pp. 262-268.

This Meeting:

- Isaiah 34, Judgment On The Nations
- Memory Verse: Isaiah 34:16
- Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.218-223; Motyer, pp.268-272.
- Refreshment Host: G



Isaiah Bible Study Schedule for Fall 2022 – Spring 2023



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as of December 30, 2022

#	DATE:	THE BOOK OF ISAIAH - READINGS & TOPICS	HOSTSM	GRP
22	FEB 21	Isaiah 28 Judgment on Ephraim & Jerusalem, A Cornerstone in Zion Constable's Notes, pp. 178 - 189, Motyer, pp. 227 - 236	В	
23	FEB 28	Isaiah 29 The Seize of Jerusalem Constable's Notes, pp. 189 - 196, Motyer, pp. 236 - 244	C	
24	MAR 7	Isaiah 30 Do Not Go to Egypt, Rebellious People, God is Gracious Constable's Notes, pp. 196 - 204, Motyer, pp. 244 - 253	D	
25	MAR 14	Isaiah 31, 32 Woe to Egypt Travelers, Righteous King, Women Warned Constable's Notes, pp. 205 - 211, Motyer, pp. 253 - 261	E	
26	MAR 21	Isaiah 33 O LORD Be Gracious to Us Constable's Notes, pp. 211 - 218, Motyer, pp. 262 - 268	F	
27	MAR 28	Isaiah 34 Judgment on the Nations Constable's Notes, pp. 218 - 223, Motyer, pp. 268 - 272	G	
	APR4	EASTER BREAK - NO MOB MEETING		



Isaiah Outline



Focus	Prophecies of Condemnation					Histo Paren	Prophecies of Comfort									
Divisions	Prophecies Against Judah		Prophecies Against the Nation		Prophesies Against the Day of the Lord		Prophesies of Judgement and Blessing		Sickness and Sin	Hezekiah's Salvation	Israel's Deliverance		Israel's Deliverer		lsrael'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					Historic Messianic					· •					
Topics	Judgement Transition Hope															
Place	Is						Israel & Juda	ah								
Time		740 - 680 B.C.														



REVIEW



Α	В	С
Babylon (13:1–14:27)	The Desert by the Sea (Babylon) (21:1–10)	The city of emptiness (24:1–20)
Political overthrow	Religious overthrow	Broken laws (5) Broken gates (12)
Philistia (14:28–32)	Silence (Edom) (21:11–12)	Zion's King (24:21–23)
A Davidic king will yet reign in Zion	Indefinite continuance of things as they are	'After many days'
Moab (15:1–16:14)	Evening (Arabia) (21:13–17)	The great banquet (25:1–12)
Moab in need, but through pride refuses shelter in Zion	Desert tribes in need: no ultimate refuge in mutual security	All nations feasted in Zion save Moab, excluded by pride
Damascus/Ephraim (17:1–18:7)	The Valley of Vision (Jerusalem) (22:1–25)	The city of God (26:1–20)
Strong cities forsaken (9); the forgotten rock (10)	The city torn down (10)	The strong city (1); the everlasting rock (4)
Egypt (19:1–20:8)	Tyre (23:1-18)	The final gathering (27:1–13)
Co-equal membership: Egypt, Assyria and Israel (19:24–25)	Holiness to the Lord (23:18)	The harvest from Egypt and Assyria (27:12–13)
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Motyer, J. A. (1996). <u>The</u> <u>prophecy of Isaiah: an</u> <u>introduction & commentary</u> (p. 133). IVP



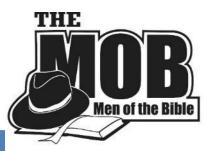
Review/Overview



- Ch. 34&35 conclude the section 13-35 that Dr. Constable calls God's sovereignty over the nations
 - Pride leads to humiliation (judgement)
 - Trust in the Lord leads to exhalation (blessing)
- He says that 34&35 bring to a head chapters 28-33 just like 24-27 did for 13-23 and has a quote about both instances going from Isaiah's own time to a time in the future of apocalyptic nature ("in that day")
- In our section of 34&35, 34 is judgement on the nations and 35 is blessing on the earth and both connect to the 6th Woe in Ch.33



Review/Overview



Principles	Applications
28:1–29 When God's people reject his word (9–13) and covenant (14–15), destruction follows (18–22), held within divine purposes (23–29)	30:1–33 Refuge is sought in Egypt (1–7), rejecting the Lord's word (8–12), but his ultimate (13–26) and immediate (27–33) purposes are settled
29:1–14 There is disaster and deliverance (1–8) but historical deliverance does not change people spiritually. This needs a further divine action (9–14), which is already planned	31:1–32:20 Divine deliverance scorns both Egypt's help and Assyria's enmity (31:1–9). Beyond lies the perfect kingdom with true king (32:1) and transformed people (3–8). The pattern of history will be repeated: overthrow (9–14) and transformation (15–20)
29:15–24 People may think to run the world without God (15), but he is the sovereign and his transforming purposes (16–17) will work out spiritually (18–19), morally and socially (20–21), fulfilling what began in Abraham (22) and establishing a truly renewed people (23–24)	33:1–35:10 Treacherous people (33:1, 8) may seem to rule but divine sovereignty remains (33:3, 10). The perfect kingdom (33:13–24), morally and socially (33:15) and spiritually (33:24), will come. The enemy will finally be destroyed (chapter 34) and the redeemed will gather to Zion (chapter 35)

Motyer, J. A. (1996). <u>The prophecy of Isaiah: an introduction & commentary</u> (p. 228). InterVarsity Press

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Judah/Edom







Edom

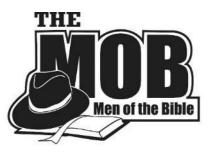


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Overview Ch.34



- Constable calls this "YAHWAY's rath on the self exalting nations"
 - Universal Judgement, v.1-4
 - Edom as the example of the nations, v.5-17



Isaiah 34:1-4 Universal Judgement



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- 1 Draw near, O nations, to hear, and give attention, O peoples!

 Let the earth hear, and all that fills it; the world, and all that comes from it.
- 2 For the Lord is enraged against all the nations, and furious against all their host; he has devoted them to destruction, has given them over for slaughter.
- 3 Their slain shall be cast out, and the stench of their corpses shall rise; the mountains shall flow with their blood.
- 4 All the host of heaven shall rot away, and the skies roll up like a scroll.
 All their host shall fall, as leaves fall from the vine, like leaves falling from the fig tree.



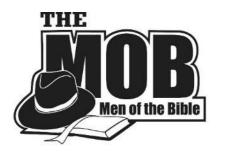
Isaiah 34:1-4 Universal Judgement



- v.1, Is clearly a universal call as it includes the earth and world
- v.2, God's anger against all the nations is similar to the opening of Ch.24 and the destruction instructions were like those given to Joshua at Jericho (Jos 6:21)
- v.3, Constable has a quote that says this is "poetic hyperbole" but unburied bodies stink!
- v.4, This is not just the earth, but the whole universe is affected. This
 is contained in many passages both OT & NT (Rev 6:13-14)



Isaiah 34:5-7 Edom as an Example of the Nations

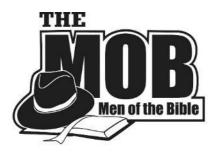


- 5 For my sword has drunk its fill in the heavens; behold, it descends for judgment upon Edom, upon the people I have devoted to destruction.
- 6 The LORD has a sword; it is sated with blood; it is gorged with fat, with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah, a great slaughter in the land of Edom.
- 7 Wild oxen shall fall with them, and young steers with the mighty bulls. Their land shall drink its fill of blood, and their soil shall be gorged with fat.



Isaiah 34:5-7

Edom as the Example of the Nations



 v.5, Constable asks the question, why Edom? It was the land of Esau and had always been Israel's adversary. God's sword was a symbol of his judgement, and it is worldwide

 v.6, Again, the sword is a symbol of judgement and here it says that a great "slaughter" in Edom and sacrifice in Bozrah. This is the beginning of the many animals we will see killed.

v.7, More animals added and now the blood and fat will fill the soil.
 There is no forgiveness without blood! Constable says those not accepting Christ will die for their own sins; no rebel will be spared!



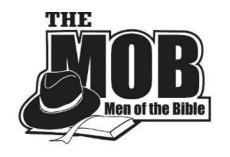
Isaiah 34:8-10 Edom as the Example of the Nations



- 8 For the Lord has a day of vengeance, a year of recompense for the cause of Zion.
- 9 And the streams of Edom shall be turned into pitch, and her soil into sulfur; her land shall become burning pitch.
- 10 Night and day it shall not be quenched;its smoke shall go up forever.From generation to generation it shall lie waste;none shall pass through it forever and ever.



Isaiah 34:8-10 Edom as the Example of the Nations



 v.8, Constable says that another reason for this slaughter is any that would try to take down Zion would face the curse that God gave Abraham for this, Gen 12:3

• v.9, Many think that Edom's punishment is similar to Sodom's since they were in the same area. This starts a description that makes it seem uninhabitable which will be true in God's vengeance, Is 63:1-6

 v.10, More description of destruction and devastation. We don't know when this will happen but God does and it will be bad. Without God, man and earth won't last!



Isaiah 34:11-13 Edom as the Example of the Nations



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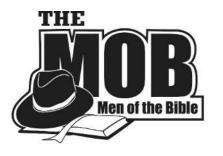
- 11 But the hawk and the porcupine shall possess it, the owl and the raven shall dwell in it.

 He shall stretch the line of confusion over it, and the plumb line of emptiness.
- 12 Its nobles—there is no one there to call it a kingdom, and all its princes shall be nothing.
- 13 Thorns shall grow over its strongholds, nettles and thistles in its fortresses.It shall be the haunt of jackals, an abode for ostriches.



Isaiah 34:11-13

Edom as the Example of the Nations



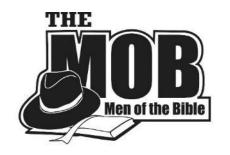
v.11, What we see are more and more animals and birds.

 v.12, There is basically no longer any humans. Some think this is the period at the end of the Tribulation toward the end of all the judgements we see in Revelation.

 v.13, It is now an abode for uncultivated things to grow and many animals.



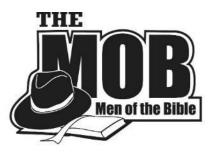
Isaiah 34:14-15 Edom as the Example of the Nations



14 And wild animals shall meet with hyenas; the wild goat shall cry to his fellow; indeed, there the night bird settles and finds for herself a resting place. 15 There the owl nests and lays and hatches and gathers her young in her shadow; indeed, there the hawks are gathered, each one with her mate.



Isaiah 34:14-15 Edom as the Example of the Nations

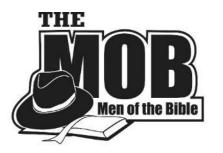


 v.14, Since the land is no longer lived in, it is overgrown by vegetation that is normally cut away and controlled. This is a continuation of the wild animals coming in despite what some say about things like "goats" and "night birds" having some demonic meaning.

 v.15, This is more birds coming in without any human intervention, joining all the birds and animals we see in the preceding verses.



Isaiah 34:16-17 Edom as the Example of the Nations



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16 Seek and read from the book of the Lord:

Not one of these shall be missing; none shall be without her mate.

For the mouth of the Lord has commanded, and his Spirit has gathered them.

17 He has cast the lot for them;
his hand has portioned it out to them
with the line;
they shall possess it forever;
from generation to generation they
shall dwell in it.



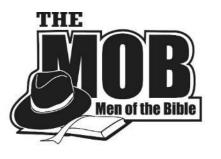
Isaiah 34:16-17 Edom as the Example of the Nations



- v.16, Most agree that "the book of the Lord" is this book of Isaiah. However, when applied to us, it is God's Word. The rest of this verse is similar to the preceding verses but here says "the mouth of the Lord has commanded" and "his Spirit" is the initiator making it happen.
- v.17, This is a continuation that God has done all this.
 Constable says both these verses relate back to the beginning of this chapter since they are the end of this judgement.



Conclusion



 Every human foe of God will one day be utterly banished from the scene.

 Here, God's people are epitomized in the term Zion as his enemies are in the term Edom, they cannot be forever at the mercy of the merciless, nor can those who harassed and hounded them remain forever unpunished.

THE DAY OF VENGEANCE AND RETRIBUTION WILL SURELY COME



Next Meeting



Review:

- Isaiah 34, Judgment On The Nations
- Memory Verse: Isaiah 34:16
- Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.218-223; Motyer, pp.268-272.

Study:

- Isaiah 35, The Ransomed Shall Return
- Memory Verse: Isaiah 35:8
- Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.223-227; Motyer, pp.272-275.
- Refreshment Host: A



Discussion & Application



1 of 2

- 1. How does this chapter make a natural transition from chapter 33?
- 2. How would you describe the basic message of this chapter—and how it might affect your "world-view"?
- 3. What's your understanding of the period of time for God's judgment of the nations?
- 4. How will the hosts of heaven be involved and affected in God's judgment of the nations?
- 5. What was it about Edom that God singled it out for special judgment and in what sense is it (as Motyer says), "central to the day of the Lord"?



Discussion & Application



2 of 2

- 6. How does Isaiah compare the "day of the Lord" to the judgment of Sodom and Gomorrah?
- 7. How is the final state of Babylon seen in this passage?
- 8. In what way will animals thrive in that day, and what does it say about the human population?
- 9. How does the picture of the world Isaiah presents in this chapter harmonize with the other revelations concerning the coming Tribulation?
- 10. What's your key 'take-away" from this lesson?



Closing

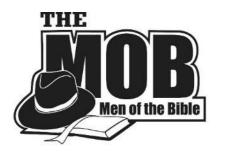


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Small Groups



Isaiah Bible Study Schedule for Fall 2022 – Spring 2023



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			The Book of Isaiah			Host Small	Constable
Week#	Date	Meeting No.	Chapters	Memory Verse	Teacher	Group	Pages
24	February 7, 2023	20	24	Is. 24:19-20	Neal	G	156-165
25	February 14, 2023	21	25, 26, 27	Is. 25:1	Battle	Α	165-178
26	February 21, 2023	22	28	Is. 28:16	Clingenpeel	В	178-189
27	February 28, 2023	23	29	Is. 29:16	Turk	C	189-196
28	March 7, 2023	24	30	Is. 30:1	Streitmater	D	196-204
29	March 14, 2023	25	31, 32	Is. 31:1	Wever	E	205-211
30	March 21, 2023	26	23	Is. 33:22	Neal	F	211-218
31	March 28, 2023	27	34	Is. 34:16	Benson	G	218-223
32	April 4, 2023						
33	April 11, 2023	28	35	ls. 35:8	Battle	Α	223-227
34	April 18, 2023	29	36	Prov. 21:1	Streitmater	В	227-233
35	April 25, 2023	30	37	Is. 37:15-16	Clingenpeel	С	233-240
36	May 2, 2023	31	38	ls. 38:17	Wever	D	240-246
37	May 9, 2023	32	39	Is. 39:6	Turk	E	246-251
38	May 16, 2023	33	Review	Jer. 29:11-13	Neal	F	1-251
39	May 23, 2023	34	40-66	Is. 40:1	Battle	G	251-493
40	May 30, 2023						



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#	DATE:	THE BOOK OF ISAIAH - READINGS & TOPICS	HOST SM GRP
28	APR 11	Isaiah 35 The Ransomed Shall Return Constable's Notes, pp. 223 - 227, Motyer, pp. 272 - 275	A
29	APR 18	Isaiah 36 Sennacherib Invades Judah Constable's Notes, pp. 227 - 233, Motyer, pp. 276 - 279	В
30	APR 25	Isaiah 37 Hezekiah's Distress & Prayer, Assyrian's Struck Down Judgment, Lake of Fire, Constable, pp. 233 - 240, Motyer, pp. 279 - 286	C
31	MAY 2	Isaiah 38 Hezekiah's Sickness and Recovery Constable's Notes, pp. 240 - 246, Motyer, pp. 289 - 295	D
32	MAY9	Isaiah 39 Hezekiah Welcomes Babylonian Envoy Constable's Notes, pp. 246 - 251, Motyer, pp. 295 - 297	E
33	MAY16	Isaiah 1-39 Review, Lessons Learned, Testimonies Constable's Notes, pp. 1 - 251, Motyer, pp. 13 - 297	F
34	MAY 23	Isaiah 40-66 Introduction and Overview Constable's Notes, pp. 251 - 493	G
35	MAY30	MAKE-UP SESSION	
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Book of Isaiah



- Title: "The LORD is Salvation"
- Author: Isaiah, Son of Amoz
- Date: ~740 B.C. to 686 B.C.
- Setting:
 - Prophesied in 4 kings' reigns
 - Married, Two Sons
- Key Details:
 - N.T. 65x; Name said 20x
 - Elevates God, Reveals Messiah

Overview of Vision (Chap. 1-39):

- Ch. 1-6: Judah's Sin, Isaiah's Call
- Ch. 7-12: Sign of Immanuel
- Ch. 13-23: Oracles About Nations
- Ch. 24-27: World Redemption
- Ch. 28-35: Six Woes
- Ch. 36-39: Historical Interlude
- Ch. 40-66: Hope of Salvation