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Week 3: ISAIAH Chapter 1

Wednesday Night Crew

Maranatha Church

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Week 2: Introduction
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RECAP

Experiencing
God

[Blackaby Study Bible]

**What would others find out
about Jesus Christ the Messiah,
taste of Jesus Christ the Messiah,
know of Jesus Christ the Messiah
by living with me?**

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Isaiah 1:1

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The vision about Judah and Jerusalem that Isaiah, Amoz's son, saw in the days of Judah's kings Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah.

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The **verb “saw”** (Heb. *hazah*) is often used of seeing a God-given vision.

See: Numbers 24:4; 1 Samuel 3:1;
Jeremiah 23:16; Ezekiel 7:13, 26;
Daniel 1:17; Hosea 12:10;
Obadiah 1; Micah 3:6;
Nahum 1:1; Habakkuk 2:2–3

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2 Peter 1:20–21

Most important, you must know that no prophecy of scripture represents the prophet's own understanding of things, ²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will. Instead, men and women led by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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John 14:10

Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I have spoken to you I don't speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me does His works.

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2 Chronicles 26:1-5

Then all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who was 16 years old, and made him king after his father Amaziah. ² He rebuilt Eloth, restoring it to Judah after King Amaziah had lain down with his ancestors.

³ Uzziah was 16 years old when he became king, and he ruled for fifty-two years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Jecoliah; she was from Jerusalem. ⁴ He did what was right in the Lord's eyes, just as his father Amaziah had done. ⁵ He sought God as long as Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear of God, was alive. And as long as he sought the Lord, God gave him success.

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2 Chr 26:15-20

And so Uzziah's fame spread far and wide, because he had received wonderful help until he became powerful.

¹⁶ But as soon as he became powerful, he grew so arrogant that he acted corruptly. He was unfaithful to the Lord his God by entering the Lord's sanctuary to burn incense upon the incense altar. ¹⁷ The priest Azariah, accompanied by eighty other of the Lord's courageous priests, went in after him ¹⁸ and confronted King Uzziah.

"You have no right, Uzziah," he said, "to burn incense to the Lord! That privilege belongs to the priests, Aaron's descendants, who have been ordained to burn incense. Get out of this holy place because you have been unfaithful! The Lord God won't honor you for this."

¹⁹ Then Uzziah, who already had a censer in his hand ready to burn the incense, became angry. While he was fuming at the priests, skin disease erupted on his forehead in the presence of the priests before the incense altar in the Lord's temple. ²⁰ When Azariah the chief priest and all the other priests turned and saw the skin disease on his forehead, they rushed him out of there. Uzziah also was anxious to leave because the Lord had afflicted him.

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2 Kings 15:5

⁵ Now the Lord afflicted the king with a skin disease that he had until his dying day, so he lived in a separate house. The king's son Jotham supervised the palace administration and governed the people of the land.

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2 Chr 27:3–6

³ Jotham rebuilt the Upper Gate of the Lord's temple and did extensive work on the wall of the elevated fortress. ⁴ He built towns in Judah's highlands and fortresses and towers in the wooded areas. ⁵ He fought against the king of the Ammonites and defeated the Ammonites. They paid him one hundred kikkars of silver, ten thousand kors of wheat, and ten thousand kors of barley that year and for the next two years. ⁶ Jotham was securely established because he maintained a faithful life before the Lord his God.

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Isaiah 1:2-4

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Isaiah 1:2-4 Rebels condemned

*² Hear you heavens, and listen earth, for
the Lord has spoken:
I reared children; I raised them, and they
turned against me!*

*³ An ox knows its owner, and a donkey its
master's feeding trough.*

*But Israel doesn't know; my people don't
behave intelligently.*

- ⁴ Doom! Sinful nation, people weighed down
with crimes,
evildoing offspring, corrupt children!
They have abandoned the Lord,
despised the holy one of Israel; they turned
their backs on God.*

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Moses:

Deuteronomy 30:19

¹⁹ I call heaven and earth as my witnesses against you right now: I have set life and death, blessing and curse before you. Now choose life—so that you and your descendants will live—²⁰ by loving the Lord your God, by obeying his voice, and by clinging to him. That's how you will survive and live long on the fertile land the Lord swore to give to your ancestors: to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

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Isaiah 1:7,9

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Isaiah 1:7

⁷ Your country is deserted, your cities burned with fire; your land—strangers are devouring it in plain sight. It's a wasteland, as when foreigners raid.⁸ Daughter Zion is left like a small shelter in a vineyard, like a hut in a cucumber field, like a city besieged.

Isaiah 1:9

⁹ If the Lord of heavenly forces had not spared a few of us, we would be like Sodom; we would resemble Gomorrah.

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Isaiah 1:10-14

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Hands filled with bloodshed

¹⁰ Hear the Lord's word, you leaders of Sodom.

Listen to our God's teaching, people of Gomorrah!

***¹¹ What should I think about all your sacrifices?
says the Lord.***

*I'm fed up with entirely burned offerings of rams and
the fat of well-fed beasts.*

I don't want the blood of bulls, lambs, and goats.

***¹² When you come to appear before me, who asked this
from you, this trampling of my temple's courts?***

¹³ Stop bringing worthless offerings.

Your incense repulses me.

New moon, sabbath, and the calling of an assembly—

I can't stand wickedness with celebration!

¹⁴ I hate your new moons and your festivals.

They've become a burden that I'm tired of bearing.

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Applying
Isaiah to
My Today

Psalm 51:17

*The sacrifices of God
are a broken spirit,
A broken and a contrite heart—
These, O God, You will not despise.*

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Applying Isaiah to My Today

John 13:34-35

³⁴ A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.³⁵ By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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Applying Isaiah to My Today

2 Corinthians 3:18

All of us are looking with unveiled faces at the glory of the Lord as if we were looking in a mirror. We are being transformed into that same image from one degree of glory to the next degree of glory. This comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

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Applying Isaiah to My Today 2 Corinthians 3:2-18 CEB

²You are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everyone. ³You show that you are Christ's letter, delivered by us. You weren't written with ink but with the Spirit of the living God.

You weren't written on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

⁴This is the confidence that we have through Christ in the presence of God. ⁵It isn't that we ourselves are qualified to claim that anything came from us. No, our qualification is from God. ⁶He has qualified us as ministers of a new covenant, not based on what is written but on the Spirit, because what is written kills, but the Spirit gives life. ⁷The ministry that brought death was carved in letters on stone tablets. It came with such glory that the Israelites couldn't look for long at Moses' face because his face was shining with glory, even though it was a fading glory. ⁸Won't the ministry of the Spirit be much more glorious? ⁹If the ministry that brought condemnation has glory, how much more glorious is the ministry that brings righteousness? ¹⁰In fact, what was glorious isn't glorious now, because of the glory that is brighter. ¹¹If the glory that fades away was glorious, how much more glorious is the one that lasts! ¹²So, since we have such a hope, we act with great confidence. ¹³We aren't like Moses, who used to put a veil over his face so that the Israelites couldn't watch the end of what was fading away. ¹⁴But their minds were closed. Right up to the present day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. The veil is not removed because it is taken away by Christ. ¹⁵Even today, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶But whenever someone turns back to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Lord's Spirit is, there is freedom. ¹⁸All of us are looking with unveiled faces at the glory of the Lord as if we were looking in a mirror. We are being transformed into that same image from one degree of glory to the next degree of glory. This comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

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Exodus 34:29-35

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²⁹ Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two covenant tablets in his hand, Moses didn't realize that the skin of his face shone brightly because he had been talking with God. ³⁰ When Aaron and all the Israelites saw the skin of Moses' face shining brightly, they were afraid to come near him. ³¹ But Moses called them closer. So Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³² After that, all the Israelites came near as well, and Moses commanded them everything that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³ When Moses finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. ³⁴ Whenever Moses went into the Lord's presence to speak with him, Moses would take the veil off until he came out again. When Moses came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵ the Israelites would see that the skin of Moses' face was shining brightly. So Moses would put the veil on his face again until the next time he went in to speak with the Lord.

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2 Corinthians
3:2-18

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Old Covenant	New Covenant
engraved on stone tablets (vv. 3–7)	written on “hearts of flesh” tablets (v. 3)
a death-dealing written code (v. 6)	a life-giving Spirit (v. 6)
dispensation of death (v. 7)	dispensation of the Spirit (v. 8)
dispensation of condemnation (v. 9)	dispensation of righteousness (v. 9)
glorious (vv. 7, 9–11)	glorious (v. 8)
	far more glorious (vv. 9–11) lasting
fading (vv. 7, 11)	permanent (v. 11)

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Am I attempting to hide sin?

Trusting in substitutes for God
is one way to show we have departed from God.

Do I attempt to define the parameters of what a
relationship with God is to look like or do I let
scripture lead me, challenge me, convict me?

LEARN TO DO WHAT IS GOOD. (vs.17)
What am I currently learning from the LORD?