

Isaiah 2:5-22  
Stop Trusting in Man

Walk in His light (5) – (Ephesians 5:8-10 / Psalm 119:105, 130)

Why has God abandoned His people? (6-8) – (Deuteronomy 31:16-18)

They engage in pagan practices (Deuteronomy 12:29-31)

They overflow with riches (Ecclesiastes 5:10-11 / James 1:9-11; 2:5-7; 5:1-6)

They have powerful armies (II Chronicles 26:11-16)

They are full of idols (Psalm 115:2-8)

What will result from these practices? (9-11) – (Leviticus 26:27-35)

Humbled and brought low

Hiding from the dread of God's splendor

Honor will be accorded only to One (He alone is worthy)

When will this occur? (12-21) – (I Peter 4:12-19)

The Day of the Lord – the ultimate fulfillment of His judgment

The arrogance of man is brought low (Job 34:14-15)

The idols will be totally destroyed

The people will flee and attempt to hide (Revelation 6:15-17)

The Lord will shake the earth (Hebrews 12:26-29)

Where will you place your trust? (Proverbs 29:25 / Psalm 27:1-3; 60:11-12)

Discussion questions for Isaiah 2:5-22)

What motivates you to walk with God?

What can try God's patience to the point of Him pouring out His wrath? (II Chronicles 36:16 / Matthew 23:13-15, 27-28, 33-36)

What is God's purpose in pouring out His judgments? (Ezekiel 20:32-44 / Malachi 3:2-6 / Psalm 76:10)

How can we know when the Day of the Lord is at hand? (Matthew 24:4-12)

What is the result of putting our trust in:

Man?

Ourselves? (Proverbs 28:26)

The Lord? (Proverbs 3:5-6)

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***We are called out of darkness to walk by the light of His word seeking to please Him***

Why has God abandoned His people? (6-8) – (Deuteronomy 31:16-18)

***Because the abandoned Him and His ways (as was foretold)***

They engage in pagan practices (Deuteronomy 12:29-31)

***Conforming to the culture (Romans 12:2)***

They overflow with riches (Ecclesiastes 5:10-11 / James 1:9-11; 2:5-7; 5:1-6)

***Focused on the pleasures of this life (Luke 18:19-25 / Matthew 13:22)***

They have powerful armies (II Chronicles 26:11-16)

***Trusting in themselves and their accomplishments, they become proud***

They are full of idols (Psalm 115:2-8)

***Many things in their lives take priority over God (Exodus 20:1-6)***

What will result from these practices? (9-11) – (Leviticus 26:27-35)

***God will increase the severity of His judgments until they respond***

Humbled and brought low

***They have nothing left of their own making to trust in or boast about***

Hiding from the dread of God's splendor

***Fearful of what God will do next***

Honor will be accorded only to One (He alone is worthy)

***He will be exalted (Philippians 2:9-11)***

When will this occur? (12-21) – (I Peter 4:12-19)

***He judges His own now – mini cleansing before the purge***

The Day of the Lord – the ultimate fulfillment of His judgment

***Other judgments point to this future event***

The arrogance of man is brought low (Job 34:14-15)

***Our very breath is in His hands – He does not answer to us (Job 40:1-5)***

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***We must put our trust in the things that cannot be shaken***

Where will you place your trust? (Proverbs 29:25 / Psalm 27:1-3; 60:11-12)

Discussion questions for Isaiah 2:5-22)

What motivates you to walk with God?

***Fear of His discipline and/or the results of going my own way (Romans 1:21-32)***

***Knowing His love and sacrifice for me and the joy of walking in His presence***

What can try God's patience to the point of Him pouring out His wrath? (II Chronicles 36:16 / Matthew 23:13-15, 27-28, 33-36)

***Consistent rebellion and refusal to trust in Him***

***Leading others astray by false teaching and self righteousness***

What is God's purpose in pouring out His judgments? (Ezekiel 20:32-44 / Malachi 3:2-6 / Psalm 76:10)

***Disciplining those He loves (Hebrews 12:4-11)***

***Purging His people to redeem a remnant for Himself***

***Judging the wicked who harm His people (II Thessalonians 1:4-9)***

How can we know when the Day of the Lord is at hand? (Matthew 24:4-12)

***By the signs of His coming: the birth-pains; the hearts of men; the deceptions; the return of His people Israel to their land; the geopolitical landscape of the world; technology; etc.***

What is the result of putting our trust in:

Man? (Jeremiah 17:5)

***At the very least, disappointment***

***At the worst, destruction***

Ourselves? (Proverbs 28:26)

***Disillusionment – learning the truth of John 15:5***

***Disappointment – over my failures***

***Depression – seeing the condition of my heart***

The Lord? (Proverbs 3:5-6 / Jeremiah 17:7)

***In Him we are kept safe***

***In Him we are given hope (II Corinthians 4:16-18)***

***In Him we are led to follow the plan and purpose of our lives***