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Strong are made to honor God – every knee shall bow (Philippians 2:9-11)

Shelter in the time of storm (Psalm 46:1)

Silencing the song of the ruthless – victory in Jesus only (Psalm 44:4-8)

Preparing a feast – on this mountain (6-8)

Destroying the shroud that enfolds all people (Hebrews 2:14-15 / Revelation 21:3-4)

Death is swallowed up (I Corinthians 15:53-57)

Disgrace is removed (Hebrews 11:24-26)

Providing salvation (9)

We trusted and He saved (Isaiah 12:2)

We rejoice in His salvation (I Peter 1:3-5)

Punishing the wicked (10-12)

The proud are brought low (Matthew 23:11-12)

The clever are exposed (Proverbs 21:30 / I Corinthians 1:20-21)

The strong are broken (Psalm 20:7-8)

Discussion questions for Isaiah 25

Why is God's faithfulness so important to believers? (Lamentations 3:19-24 / Deuteronomy 31:8 / Hebrews 13:5-6 / Philippians 1:6 / I Thessalonians 5:23-24)

Why is God's faithfulness a concern for those who refuse to repent? (Matthew 12:33-37 / I Thessalonians 5:3 / II Thessalonians 1:5-10; 2:9-12)

What makes a feast enjoyable? What makes it miserable? (Revelation 19:6-9 / II Samuel 12:15-17 / Daniel 6:16-18)

Why is man's wisdom, apart from God, of no real value? (Colossians 2:3, 8 / I Corinthians 1:20-21; 3:18-21)

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Perfect faithfulness – fulfilling His plans (1-5) ***What God has said, that shall He do!***

Seeing His marvelous deeds (Psalm 78:4-8; 145:4-5)

These bring Him praise and are meant to be shared

Strong are made to honor God – every knee shall bow (Philippians 2:9-11)

There is no exception – man's strength and wisdom cannot change His plans

Shelter in the time of storm (Psalm 46:1)

He is always there for His children – He will always help us in our trials

Silencing the song of the ruthless – victory in Jesus only (Psalm 44:4-8)

The wicked may have a victory for a short time – Jesus is victorious forever

Preparing a feast – on this mountain (6-8)

Destroying the shroud that enfolds all people (Hebrews 2:14-15 / Revelation 21:3-4)

The fear and sorrow that death brings is removed in Christ

Death is swallowed up (I Corinthians 15:53-57)

By His grace, we have victory over sin and death – He is risen!

Disgrace is removed (Hebrews 11:24-26)

Better to be disgraced by the world and honored by God

Providing salvation (9)

We know He is the source of our salvation

We trusted and He saved (Isaiah 12:2)

We enter His salvation by placing our trust in His finished work

We rejoice in His salvation (I Peter 1:3-5)

We continually praise and thank Him for the salvation He has given us

Punishing the wicked (10-12)

The wicked will not go unpunished – His delay is because of His patience

The proud are brought low (Matthew 23:11-12)

Those who think that they have no need of God – who exalt themselves

The clever are exposed (Proverbs 21:30 / I Corinthians 1:20-21)

No wisdom or scheme of man can avert God's judgment

The strong are broken (Psalm 20:7-8)

No power or strength of man can rescue from God's judgment

Discussion questions for Isaiah 25

Why is God's faithfulness so important to believers? (Lamentations 3:19-24 / Deuteronomy 31:8 / Hebrews 13:5-6 / Philippians 1:6 / I Thessalonians 5:23-24)

We can have hope in the most dire circumstances, because His mercies are new every day and His faithfulness continues through all generations. We can be secure in His promises because nothing can prevent God from doing as He has promised. My God is always with us and He will complete the work He has begun in us, keeping us blameless until the end.

Why is God's faithfulness a concern for those who refuse to repent? (Matthew 12:33-37 / I Thessalonians 5:3 / II Thessalonians 1:5-10; 2:9-12)

God is the only one who can make a tree good. Those without God will be held accountable for all their actions and all their words. Claiming peace without God will prove to be an empty claim, for destruction will come upon them suddenly. God is just! Those who refuse His gospel and refuse to love His truth become deceived and depraved. God will judge the wicked!

What makes a feast enjoyable? What makes it miserable? (Revelation 19:6-9 / II Samuel 12:15-17 / Daniel 6:16-18)

We can enjoy a feast when all is well. We have been made right in our relationships (especially with God) and have a reason to celebrate. When we are secure in our hope and at peace with God. (Romans 5:1-5) When we are weighed down with concern, sorrow, guilt or shame, it is difficult to enjoy anything. When our actions have brought sorrow to ourselves or others, we are not at peace with anyone.

Why is man's wisdom, apart from God, of no real value? (Colossians 2:3, 8 / I Corinthians 1:20-21; 3:18-21) ***Man's wisdom leads to empty philosophies, which prove to be hollow – they can bring about no lasting or satisfying answers to the issues of life. Man's wisdom leads us away from God and away from the truth – our need of a Savior. True wisdom can only be found in Christ. The way of the cross is appalling to men who think themselves wise.***