

Isaiah 51  
Listen to Our God

Listen to ME (1-3) – you who pursue righteousness (Matthew 5:6)

***Pursue His righteousness (Philippians 3:9)***

Look to the rock from which you were hewn (Hebrews 11:8-10) ***look to His promises***

Look to Abraham (Genesis 15:6/James 2:23/Romans 4:16) ***friend of God, father of faith***

Lord will surely comfort you (II Timothy 4:8) ***He is our deliverer***

Listen to ME (4-6) – My nation

Law will go out from Me – authority (Matthew 28:18) ***Jesus has ALL authority***

Light of justice will shine – integrity (Romans 3:25-26) ***the just and the justifier***

Lasting salvation will prevail – love (Jeremiah 29:10-11; 31:36-40/Zechariah 12:10; 13:1)

***His plan for His people / consider His plan for us (Romans 8:32)***

Hear ME (7-8) – you who know the right (Law written on your hearts) Jeremiah 31:31-34)

***God has given us a conscience and His Holy Spirit***

Do not fear men (Proverbs 29:5 / Luke 12:4-5 / Galatians 1:10) ***Whom do you serve?***

Do look for God's righteousness and salvation (Romans 3:20-24) ***a gift from God***

AWAKE! (9-16) – God show your strength (Philippians 4:10-13) ***the secret of contentment***

Remembering His past victories (I Corinthians 11:24-26) ***the greatest one: the CROSS***

Rejoicing over His future promises (II Peter 3:11-13) ***the home of the righteous***

Resting in His present comfort (II Corinthians 1:3-4) ***the compassionate, comforting God***

AWAKE! (17-20) – Jerusalem ***the heart of God's people, the place of His Name***

Drunk with His wrath (Leviticus 26:21) ***refusing to repent***

Double calamities

Ruin and destruction

Famine and sword

Hear this (21-23) – you who have been afflicted (Malachi 3:6) ***His promise remains***

God is your defender (II Timothy 4:16-18) ***He has and will deliver to the end***

God has removed the goblet of His wrath (I Peter 2:24) ***Jesus bore our sins***

God will give the goblet to your tormentors (II Thessalonians 1:6-10)

(Revelation 6:9-11 / II Peter 3:9) ***they will face judgment / He is patient***

Discussion questions for Isaiah 51

What is required for us to truly listen to God? (Matthew 7:24 / James 1:21-22 / Acts 17:11 / I John 4:1 / II Corinthians 11:3-4 / Galatians 1:7-9) ***To listen is to obey, to listen and not obey is to be foolishly deceived. We must desire to listen and to be assured I am listening only to His voice (John 10:27). We must be aware of the enemy who seeks to deceive – there is only one Jesus, only one Spirit, and only one Gospel.***

What message is He clearly speaking to us as we approach THE DAY? (Hebrews 10:24-25 / Jude 3-4 / Ephesians 4:2-3; 5:15-18 / Mark 16:15) ***We need each other. We need to meet together as His body and encourage one another on. We need to contend for the faith, the body of truth recorded in His Word. We cannot compromise even if it leads to persecution. We must stand together in unity, being patient and humble with one another. We need to redeem the time we have, being careful to walk according to His will and being filled with the Spirit who dwells within. We need to share the gospel with those who walk in darkness, giving them hope in this confused and hurting world (Philippians 2:15-16a)***

When do we need God to show forth His strength in our lives? (II Corinthians 1:8-11 / Psalm 11:3-6; 12:7-8 / I Corinthians 9:19-23 / John 15:4-5) ***When we face hardship and discouragement – trials beyond our own strength, the God's deliverance would bring Him glory. When the foundations are being destroyed that we might find a rock to stand upon. When we need protection from the evil that prevails in our culture. When we seek to do anything, because without Him our own efforts are worthless. WE NEED JESUS!***

How does God show Himself in and through our lives? (John 13:34-35; 17:20-21 / Matthew 5:16 / Ephesians 5:11-15 / I Peter 2:11-12) ***By the love and unity that come from Him being displayed among His people. By deeds that show His light, that others may see Him. By allowing His light to shine in dark places, rather than hiding from opportunities to live for Him (but we must be wise as serpents and innocent as doves) By living in such a manner that those who do not know God have nothing to say against us, except that we believe in Jesus and His Word.***

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