

Isaiah 52  
The Coming Savior

God's place (Jerusalem) redeemed (1-3)

***The place where God has placed His Name (Psalm 138:2)***

Clothed with splendor (Ezekiel 48:35 / Revelation 21:22)

***By the presence of the LORD – His glory abides in His city.***

Contaminated no more (Revelation 21:27)

***God is grieved by any corruption in His holy dwelling (John 2:16)***

Chains removed (Galatians 4:24-26)

***The shackles of religious hypocrisy are removed (Isaiah 1:11-13)***

God's people will know Him (4-7)

***The Messiah will be made known – eyes will be opened.***

Slavery and slander are in the past.

***Israel will no longer be a reproach (Isaiah 2:2-3)***

Savior's Name will be known (Zechariah 12:10 / Matthew 23:37-39)

***They will call upon the One they had rejected.***

Salvation's message will be proclaimed (Romans 10:14-15)

***Now (by His church) and in the future (by 144,000 and the flying angel (Rev. 14)***

God's salvation will be revealed (8-12)

***Jesus is our salvation (Luke 2:29-32)***

The LORD's return (Matthew 24:27)

***Every eye will see.***

The LORD's comfort (II Corinthians 1:3-4)

***He redeems and protects His own – He uses our struggles for good.***

The LORD's strength (Psalm 2:6, 10-12)

***Jesus will reign – no power in heaven or earth can prevent Him.***

The LORD's salvation (Isaiah 12:2-3 / Revelation 22:17)

***He welcomes us to drink from the well of His salvation.***

The LORD's Presence (Psalm 139:5)

***He will hem His people in – going ahead and watching behind.***

God's Servant will unfold His mystery (Colossians 1:25-27)

***How can a holy God be united with wicked people?***

Acting wisely – He will be exalted (Proverbs 4:7 / Psalm 119:97-100)

***Jesus demonstrated His wisdom and gave us His word.***

Appalled by His appearance – the brutality of the cross

***And the physical sufferings were not worth comparing (Psalm 22:1)***

Authority will be understood (Philippians 2:6-11 / Matthew 28:28)

***Jesus is exalted to the highest place. He has authority over ALL!***

## Discussion questions for Isaiah 52

What significance does Jerusalem hold for a Jew? For a believer? (I Kings 8:10-11; 9:3 / Revelation 21:9-10) ***The place where God's presence dwelt (in the holy of holies) and the place where God placed His Name. (all their prayers were directed toward the Temple) Worship, atonement, and hope were found in the place where God dwelt. For us, the New Jerusalem will be our dwelling place for eternity. We will dwell with God in the place He has prepared for us. (John 14:1-3)***

Why is it so difficult for the Jewish people to receive their Messiah? (John 6:14-15 / I Corinthians 1:22-24 / Galatians 3:13) ***They were looking for a king to deliver them from Roman oppression, not One who would deliver them from their sin. It is absurd for a Jew to believe that their Messiah would ever be cursed. The cross has for centuries since the time of Jesus been the symbol of those who hate the Jews. (Crusaders, Nazis, KKK)***

What will God do to open their eyes? (Ezekiel 38:22-23 / Zechariah 12:1-14) ***God's deliverance in the soon coming battle of God and Magog will turn the hearts of the Israeli people back toward God. (All the nations will acknowledge God's deliverance) Then in the battle of Armageddon, God will once again show His power by protecting His people and they will cry out for their Savior, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!"***

How is the example of the cross a lesson for us to find the meaning of life?

(II Corinthians 8:9; 9:6-9) – ***giving in the path to true riches.***

(Mark 10:42-45) – ***servicing others is the path to true greatness.***

(Mark 8:34-35 / Romans 6:4) – ***dying to yourself is the path to true life.***

(I Peter 5:5-6 / Philippians 2:6-11) – ***humbling yourself is the path to exaltation.***

***The pursuits of this world lead only to disappointment and destruction. Giving ourselves fully to God leads to satisfaction and blessing.***

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