

Isaiah 65  
Two Destinies

The Condemned (1-7, 11-12)

Revealing Himself - men are without excuse (Psalm 19:1-4 / Romans 1:20)  
Rebellious – an obstinate people (Romans 10:21)  
    Pursuing their own imaginations (Jeremiah 23:16 / II Timothy 4:3-4)  
    Provoking God to His face (Hebrews 10:29-30 / II Peter 2:21)  
Rejecting God – “Keep away; don’t come near me.” (Isaiah 30:10-11 / Micah 2:11)  
Retribution – paid in full for what they’ve done (Revelations 22:12; 20:12-15)  
Refusing to listen = destined for death (II Kings 17:14-15 / II Chronicles 36:16)

The Chosen (8-10, 13-16)

Saved – some good remains (Isaiah 11:10-11)  
    He doesn’t completely destroy His people (Zechariah 13:8)  
    He brings His chosen ones forth (John 6:39)  
Seek Him – He will bless (Hebrews 11:6)  
Satisfied in Him – He provides (Matthew 6:31-33)  
Sing to Him – He gives us joy (John 15:10-11)  
Swear by the God of truth (John 17:17)  
    He gives us a new name (Galatians 4:4-7)  
    He erases all our past troubles (Psalm 103:12 / Philippians 3:13-14)

The Coming Kingdom (17-25)

Created new – former things not remembered (I Corinthians 13:5 / Micah 7:19)  
Created to be a delight – He will rejoice over His people (Zephaniah 3:17)  
Cherished by Him – a people blessed by the LORD (Deuteronomy 7:6 / Titus 2:14)  
Cared for by Him – He will answer even before we call to Him (Jeremiah 33:3/Ps. 139:4)  
Curse is removed – they will neither harm nor destroy on all His Holy Mountain  
    (Revelation 22:3)

## Discussion questions for Isaiah 65

What happens to the heart of those who refuse to acknowledge God? (Jeremiah 17:9 / Romans 7:18 / Matthew 12:33-35 / Romans 1:21 / Ephesians 4:17-19)

Why do the wicked want nothing to do with God's word or God's people? (John 3:19-21; 7:3-7; 15:18-21)

What happens to the heart of those who seek God? (Ezekiel 36:25-27 / Psalm 51:4-10 / Hebrews 12:28)

Why do those who have been made righteous desire to be with God's people and to know His word? (I Thessalonians 3:6-8 / Romans 1:8-12 / Psalm 119:105 / Acts 20:32 / II Timothy 3:16-17)

What blessings belong to those who are privileged to be a part of His Kingdom? How does this hope impact your life? (Isaiah 2:3-5 / Colossians 1:10-14 / Revelation 22:1-5)