

Outline for Isaiah 35:1-10

Introduction: Israel's date with God – Rom.12:19, Heb10:30, Rom 2:2, 3:5-6, Ezek. 20:35-36, Zech 13:9

A. vs. 3-4 – Isaiah 61:1-3, John 3:17, 1:11-12, Rom. 10:13, Isaiah 25:9

B. vs. 5- Isaiah 29:18, Acts 28:26-27

C. vs. 1-2, 6, 9 – Creation restored- Jer.31:12, Isaiah 41:18-20, 55:12, Ezek 34:30, 36:26

D. vs. 7 – 51:3

E. vs. 8- Isaiah 62:12, Jer.33:8-11

F. vs.10- Isaiah 61:10-11

The Salvation of Israel Isaiah 35:1-10

Introduction: The key phrase in our chapter today is vs. 4, “But He will save you.”
God will save Israel!

As we've studied Isaiah we've learned that the text is often not chronological. In point of time vs. 3-5 takes place first. This is a message to Israel in the tribulation period.

Vengeance is one of at least 30 descriptive terms for this seven year period of judgment.
Day of darkness, distress, wrath, and alarm are others.

Vengeance is to be an activity of God. We are instructed not to take revenge in Rom. 12:9
“Vengeance is mine, I will repay says the Lord.” Heb. 10:30 repeats this command and then says,
“The Lord will judge His people.”

Why should only God take vengeance? Because God's judgment is alone based on truth (Rom. 2:2)
and perfect righteousness (Rom.3:5-6)

No matter how we try to discover truth and make a judgment it will never be perfect.

We have learned in studying Isaiah that Israel is currently in their land living in unbelief for the
specific purpose of judgment. Ezek. 20:35-36

A portion of God's vengeance will fall on unbelieving Israel in order to purify them and Zech 13:9
says, “..refine them as silver is refined and to test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name,
and I will answer them; I will say ‘They are My people,’ and they will say, ‘the LORD is my God.’”
Zech 13 also says that only 1/3 of the Jews will survive this great time of testing. This 1/3 is called
the remnant. That's why Isa. 35:3-4 says what is says. Israel will be having much anxiety and fear
during the tribulation.

A. I want us to understand how I got here. Turn to Isa. 61:1-3 and read this. Jesus was handed the
scroll of Isaiah one day in Nazareth but He stopped reading in the middle of vs.2. Vs. 1-2a describe
His first coming. Why? Because Christ's first coming was not to take vengeance or to judge. John
3:17 says, “For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might
be saved through Him.”

Jesus came to preach the gospel (the good news) to the Jews but they rejected Him and His message.
That same day in Nazareth they tried to throw Him off a cliff.

John 1:11-12 says, “He came to His own and those who were His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name.”

This wonderful offer of salvation is open to all of us today. “For WHOEVER WILL CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED. Rom. 10:13

The Jews have had 1990 years of trouble since they said of Christ, “Away with Him, crucify Him!” (John 19:15)

Some Jews and millions of gentiles have received Christ, believing that He died for their sins, was buried and rose again the third day according to the Scriptures. (1 Cor. 15:1-3)

This is the gospel in a nutshell. What about the Jews living in unbelief today? Rom. 9-11 explain in great detail God’s past dealings with Israel and His future plans for them. Those chapters end with this good news. Rom 11:26 says, “and so all Israel will be saved, just as it is written, ‘The deliverer will come from Zion, He will remove ungodliness from Jacob. This is my covenant with them, when I take away their sins.’” This is Paul’s commentary on Isa. 35:3-5.

All Israel refers to the remnant –the 1/3. They will be saved and enter the glorious 1000 year reign of Christ which the rest of our chapter describes. Read Isa. 25:9

B. vs. 5 – The primary application of this verse is that Israel’s spiritual blindness and deafness will be removed by the Lord. Read Isa. 29:18. The darkness of the seven year tribulation will open the spiritual eyes and ears of the Remnant. Remember Paul’s quote of Isa. 6:9 in Acts 28:26-27, “You will keep on hearing, but will not understand and you will keep on seeing but will not perceive....” For 1900 years Israel has continued in this blindness but God will open their eyes!

C. vs. 1-2, 6, 9 - Creation restored

After Israel is saved God will restore the earth in amazing ways. Read Jer. 31:12, Isa.41:18-20, 55:12. Note that this is more than just a physical renewal. It is the Holy Spirit bringing joy and worship to an entire nation and through them to the whole world. God will “give them new hearts and put a new spirit in them.” Ezek.36:26. Read Ezek. 34:30

D. vs. 7 – This verse is comparing the harsh desert which much of the mountains of Israel are today with the tropical oasis which it will become in the 1000 year reign of Christ. Isa. 51:3

E. vs. 8 –The highways leading to Jerusalem during the Millennium will be filled with worshippers going to Jerusalem, Egyptians and Assyrians and people from all over the world. It will be a highway of holiness. Read Isa. 62:12 and Jer. 33:8-11.

F. vs. 10 “Only the redeemed will walk there.” Read Isa. 61:10-11.

In closing sing with your family – “Redeemed how I love to proclaim it, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child and forever I am.”

(*Redeemed* by Fanny Crosby #377 in the red hymnal)