

Praise in the Kingdom

Isaiah 25

God is the only source of judgment, blessing, and victory

A. The Vow to Praise (Isaiah 25:1)

1. I will exalt thee

Psalm 118:28

2. I will praise thee

Psalm 99:3, Psalm 138:2

3. The reasons for the vow

a. God's Wonder

Psalm 89:6

b. God's Counsel

Psalm 33:11

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A. God's Praise in the Kingdom (Isaiah 25:2-12)

1. Universal (25:2-5)

a. By the judged nations (vv2-3)

b. By the blessed elect for His faithfulness (v 4)

1) Strength to the poor

2) Strength to the needy in distress

3) Refuge from the storm

4) Safety from the enemies

c. The distraction to praise eliminated (v 5)

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A. God's Praise in the Kingdom (Isaiah 25:2-12) – cont'd

2. Brings Satisfaction (25:6)

Physical satisfaction follows spiritual renewal

Isaiah 40:31

3. God Sets the Conditions for Praise (25:7-12)

a. Spiritual veil removed (v 7)

2 Corinthians 3:16-19

b. Sin's curse removed (v 8)

1 Corinthians 15:54

c. His faithfulness (v 9)

Psalms 37:34

d. Pride eliminated (vv 10-12) - The example of Moab

Psalm 115:18

**But we will bless the Lord from this time forth and for
evermore. Praise the Lord.**

Peace in the Kingdom
Isaiah 26

God is the only source of peace

I. The Results Of Peace (Isaiah 26:1-6)

A. A strong city (26:1)

Isaiah 26:1

**In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah;
We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls
and bulwarks.**

B. An open gate (26:2)

Isaiah 26:2

**Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth
the truth may enter in.**

I. The Results Of Peace (Isaiah 26:1-6)

C. A proper trust (26:3-4)

1. By a renewed mind (v 3)

Isaiah 26:3

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

2. In the only God (v 4)

Isaiah 26:4

Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:

I. The Results Of Peace (Isaiah 26:1-6)

D. A defeated enemy (26:5-6)

Isaiah 26:5-6

5 For he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it low, even to the ground; he bringeth it even to the dust.

6 The foot shall tread it down, even the feet of the poor, and the steps of the needy.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

A. Righteousness rules (26:7)

Isaiah 26:7

The way of the just is uprightness: thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

B. A spiritual desire (26:8-9)

1. Properly based (v 8)

Isaiah 26:8

Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for thee; the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee.

2. Intensely sought after (v 9)

Isaiah 26:9

With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

C. Spiritual blindness removed (26:10-11)

1. An opportunity to learn given (v 10)

Isaiah 26:10

Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

2. The opportunity rejected and judged (v 11)

Isaiah 26:11

LORD, when thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: but they shall see, and be ashamed for their envy at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

D. Humility From God's People (26:12)

Isaiah 26:12

LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our works in us.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

E. Repentance From God's People (26:13-18)

1. For idolatry (vv 13-14)

Isaiah 26:13-14

13 O LORD our God, other lords beside thee have had dominion over us: but by thee only will we make mention of thy name.

14 They are dead, they shall not live; they are deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

E. Repentance From God's People (26:13-18) - continued

2. For being out of God's presence (v 15)

Isaiah 26:15

Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, thou hast increased the nation: thou art glorified: thou hadst removed it far unto all the ends of the earth.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

E. Repentance From God's People (26:13-18) – continued

3. For bringing sin upon themselves (vv 16-17)

Isaiah 26:16-17

16 LORD, in trouble have they visited thee, they poured out a prayer when thy chastening was upon them.

17 Like as a woman with child, that draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, and crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in thy sight, O LORD.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

E. Repentance From God's People (26:13-18) – continued

4. For trusting in themselves (v 18)

Isaiah 26:18

We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

F. Hope From God's People (26:19-21)

1. For a future spiritual resurrection (v 19)

Isaiah 26:19

Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

II. The Reasons For Peace (Isaiah 26:7-21)

F. Hope From God's People (26:19-21) - continued

2. For a future spiritual hiding place (v 20)

Isaiah 26:20

Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.

3. For a future spiritual judgment (v 21)

Isaiah 26:21

For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

**Are We Looking Forward
To This Peace?**