

**COME  
AND BE  
CLEAN**

**ISAIAH 1:16-18**

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**16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;**

**17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.**

**18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.**

# Introduction

**A. How strange that God invites people to come to Him  
Luke 19:10**

**For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that  
which was lost.**

**B. Isaiah called us to invite people to come and be clean  
Ephesians 5:26**

**That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing  
of water by the word,**

**C. What's this invitation all about?**

# **I. An Invitation To Reason At An Unreasonable Time**

**“Come now and let us reason together”**

**A. A nation in deep trouble**

**B. The people had rebelled against the Lord**

**Isaiah 1:2-4**

**2 Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me.**

**3 The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider.**

**4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward.**

# **I. An Invitation To Reason At An Unreasonable Time**

**C. They had not responded to chastening**

**Isaiah 1:5**

**Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.**

**D. God's invitation was still there**

**Romans 10:21**

**But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.**

## **II. An Invitation From God At An Ungodly Time**

**“saith the Lord”**

**A. God called to those who had forsaken Him (1:4)**

**B. These people reminded Isaiah of Sodom and Gomorrah**

**Isaiah 1:9-10**

**9 Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.**

**10 Hear the word of the LORD, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.**

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**C. Even their feasts were an abomination to the Lord  
Isaiah 1:11-14**

**11 To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats.**

**12 When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts?**

## **II. An Invitation From God At An Ungodly Time**

**C. Even their feasts were an abomination to the Lord  
Isaiah 1:11-14 - continued**

**13 Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting.**

**14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them.**

**D. God keeps inviting them to come and be clean**



### **III. An Invitation For Cleansing At A Sinful Time**

**A. This is an invitation to be forgiven**

**2 Chronicles 7:14**

**If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.**

**B. This was the desire of David's heart after his sin**

**Psalm 51:7**

**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

### **III. An Invitation For Cleansing At A Sinful Time**

**God meets sinners where they are and cleanses  
them**

**John 8:11**

**She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her,  
Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.**

**God is still calling today !!!**