

# The Prophecies of Isaiah <sup>99</sup>

## Lesson 41

### Section 3

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#### **THE LORD – THRONE AND FOOTSTOOL**

**Isaiah 66:1a** Thus says the LORD, "Heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool.

How big is the Lord God? Figuratively, He says that heaven is the place of His throne yet His feet rest on the earth. In reality, He is as big as He wants to be, but that is not the point. The real question is found in the next verse.

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#### **THE LORD – WHAT HOUSE CAN ISRAEL BUILD?**

**Isaiah 66:1b** Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest? <sup>2a</sup> "For My hand made all these things, Thus all these things came into being," declares the LORD.

No man can build a house big enough to house the Lord and no man can build a place for the Lord to rest. The Lord created His heaven and He created His earth. No one else has created anything.

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#### **THE LORD – LOOK TO THE HUMBLE**

**Isaiah 66:2b** "But to this one I will look, To him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.

When the Lord arrives, He will be looking for the respectful and remorseful who shiver when He speaks. A small group of the nation of Israel will satisfy these requirements.

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#### **THE LORD – DREAD FOR THE OTHERS**

**Isaiah 66:3** "But he who kills an ox is *like* one who slays a man; He who sacrifices a lamb is *like* the one who breaks a dog's neck; He who offers a grain offering is *like* one who offers swine's blood; He who burns incense is *like* the one who blesses an idol. As they have chosen their *own* ways, And their soul delights in their abominations, <sup>4</sup> So I will choose their punishments, And I will bring on them what

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they dread. Because I called, but no one answered; I spoke, but they did not listen. And they did evil in My sight, And chose that in which I did not delight."

The horror of the Lord will come upon those who do not fear the Lord's coming. The worshiper of false gods, the swine eater, those who find delight in disgraceful activities will receive the discipline of the Lord and each will dread His arrival. Notice that in this passage, these people will not be punished without cause. The Lord will repeatedly call for them to accept Him but they will purposefully reject Him as they find great joy in their own sinful actions.

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**THE LORD – THOSE WHO TREMBLE AT THE WORD OF THE LORD**

**Isaiah 66:5** Hear the word of the LORD, you who tremble at His word: "Your brothers who hate you, who exclude you for My name's sake, Have said, 'Let the LORD be glorified, that we may see your joy.' But they will be put to shame.

The Jews who turn to the Lord will be hated by their relatives who choose to reject His call. Sarcastically they will say, "Let the LORD be glorified, that we may see your joy." The problem with this attitude is that by the time the Lord arrives and is glorified, it will be too late for the sarcastic people. They should have chosen the Lord before His arrival.

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**THE LORD – THE ROAR FROM THE CITY AND TEMPLE**

**Isaiah 66:6** "A voice of uproar from the city, a voice from the temple, The voice of the LORD who is rendering recompense to His enemies. <sup>7</sup> "Before she travailed, she brought forth; Before her pain came, she gave birth to a boy.

In this passage, the Lord is speaking of His voice roaring from the city of Jerusalem as He renders His judgment on all His enemies who are also the enemies of Israel. Before the destruction of the enemies in Jerusalem that will give birth to the new kingdom of the Lord, Israel will experience pain as she figuratively gives birth to a boy.

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**THE LORD – NATION FORMED IN ONE DAY**

**Isaiah 66:8a** " Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Can a land be born in one day? Can a nation be brought forth all at once?

Has Israel ever heard of a city giving birth to a boy? No. The Lord is revealing a new thing. But Jerusalem will give birth to a new kingdom, the kingdom of the Lord. Can the birth of the new kingdom headquarters in Jerusalem be brought forth in a single day? Absolutely! The whole reconstruction of Jerusalem which will occur on the day of the Lord's arrival will be completed by evening, according to the prophet Zechariah.<sup>100</sup>

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**THE LORD – BIRTH FROM ZION**

**Isaiah 66:8b** As soon as Zion travailed, she also brought forth her sons. <sup>9</sup> "Shall I bring to the point of birth, and not give delivery?" says the LORD. "Or shall I who gives delivery shut *the womb*?" says your God.

Whoever controls Zion controls the political power of Israel. The Jewish leadership in Zion will also come to the Lord in those last days of the tribulation. The city will bring forth a kingdom and Zion will bring forth its leadership; it is all part of God's plan and He will assure that it comes to pass.

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<sup>100</sup> Zechariah 14:7

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**THE LORD – JOY AND PEACE IN JERUSALEM**

**Isaiah 66:10** "Be joyful with Jerusalem and rejoice for her, all you who love her; Be exceedingly glad with her, all you who mourn over her, <sup>11</sup> That you may nurse and be satisfied with her comforting breasts, That you may suck and be delighted with her bountiful bosom." <sup>12</sup> For thus says the LORD, "Behold, I extend peace to her like a river, And the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; And you shall be nursed, you shall be carried on the hip and fondled on the knees. <sup>13</sup> "As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; And you shall be comforted in Jerusalem."

When the Lord arrives in Jerusalem, He will bring eternal peace to the city. Jerusalem will never experience peace until that day. The Lord will provide everything for the Jews who enter into His kingdom. Only then will Israel know true comfort and peace.

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**THE LORD – SEE THE LORD INDIGNANT WITH HIS ENEMIES**

**Isaiah 66:14** Then you shall see *this*, and your heart shall be glad, And your bones shall flourish like the new grass; And the hand of the LORD shall be made known to His servants, But He shall be indignant toward His enemies.

Repeatedly throughout Isaiah, the message indicates that the Lord will bless the Israelites and will punish His enemies when He arrives. The important point in this passage is found in the gladness of the Jews who turn their hearts to the Lord.

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**THE LORD – HIS COMING WITH FIRE**

**Isaiah 66:15** For behold, the LORD will come in fire And His chariots like the whirlwind, To render His anger with fury, And His rebuke with flames of fire.

A little known fact about the arrival of the Lord at His Second Coming is that He will ride in His chariots surrounded by a fiery whirlwind. His anger will be so furious that no one can fight against Him.

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**THE LORD – JUDGMENT BY FIRE**

**Isaiah 66:16** For the LORD will execute judgment by fire And by His sword on all flesh, And those slain by the LORD will be many. <sup>17</sup> "Those who sanctify and purify themselves *to go* to the gardens, Following one in the center, Who eat swine's flesh, detestable things, and mice, Shall come to an end altogether," declares the LORD. <sup>18</sup> "For I know their works and their thoughts; the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and see My glory.

The Lord's sword is His WORD that proceeds out of His mouth. In Revelation 19, He says upon His arrival at Armageddon, "It is done," and those words slay all His enemies. They will see the Lord as He arrives in all His glory and it will be the last thing they see on earth. They will all see Him again at the Great White Throne Judgment when they are resurrected from torment to enter the Lake of Fire, apart from the Lord for all eternity.

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**THE LORD – A SIGN**

**Isaiah 66:19** "And I will set a sign among them and will send survivors from them to the nations: Tarshish, Put, Lud, Meshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant coastlands that have neither heard My fame nor seen My glory. And they will declare My glory among the nations.

After the destruction at Armageddon, witnesses will be sent to the Gentile nations to tell them of the glorious arrival of the Lord. Tarshish is in Spain. Put is in North Africa, today's Libya and Algeria. Tubal, Meshech and Lud is Turkey. Rosh is Russia and Javen is Greece. These countries will hear the good news of the Lord and believe.



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**THE LORD – BRETHREN AS GRAIN OFFERING**

**Isaiah 66:20** "Then they shall bring all your brethren from all the nations as a grain offering to the LORD, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, and on camels, to My holy mountain Jerusalem," says the LORD, "just as the sons of Israel bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD.

Once again, the Lord promises that when He is the King in His realm, the Gentile nations will bring regular offerings to the nation of Israel and to the Lord's holy mountain in Jerusalem.

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**THE LORD – PRIESTS AND LEVITES**

**Isaiah 66:21** "I will also take some of them for priests *and* for Levites," says the LORD. **22** "For just as the new heavens and the new earth Which I make will endure before Me," declares the LORD, "So your offspring and your name will endure.

Here, again, is a little known fact concerning the selection of the priests of the Lord in His new kingdom He will select Gentile priests to serve along with the Israelites. The majority of the Jews and Gentiles in the new kingdom will live for the entire 1,000 years. Their living conditions will change. The light that is emitted from the Lord in His Temple in Jerusalem will block the sun in the heavens. The arrival of the Lord will also necessitate a change in the topography of the world. It truly will be a different new heaven and new earth compared to what we know today.

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**THE LORD – ALL MANKIND WILL BOW**

**Isaiah 66:23** "And it shall be from new moon to new moon And from sabbath to sabbath, All mankind will come to bow down before Me," says the LORD.

The calendar will return to the 354 day lunar cycle; the manmade Gregorian Calendar used today will be put aside. With each new moon, a special form of worship of the Lord will be required just as it was in the Lord's instruction to Moses. The Sabbath, every seventh day, will also have special requirements for worship.

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**THE LORD – ISRAEL LOOK ON CORPSES**

**Isaiah 66:24** "Then they shall go forth and look On the corpses of the men Who have transgressed against Me. For their worm shall not die, And their fire shall not be quenched; And they shall be an abhorrence to all mankind."

Once the kingdom is established in one day's time, Israel will have the opportunity to see the destruction of the Lord in Armageddon, Edom, Babylon and Nineveh. Hundreds of thousands, if not millions, will die at the Lord's arrival. Although they will experience an earthly death on earth, their spiritual lives will go on for eternity and they will be tormented constantly by the worm and the fire. It will be a disgusting scene for those who choose to look at the devastation the Lord brings when He arrives on that day.

Passage	Summary	Time
Isa. 61 - 66	<i>Far Prophecy</i> The Lord's destruction of His enemies and the set up of the kingdom will take place.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming

And so the final vision of Isaiah is complete and it is delivered to Hezekiah to give hope to his people and his nation. It was impossible for Hezekiah and Isaiah to understand the full magnitude of the twenty-two visions. The following charts show the scrolls and oral accounts available to the people in 710 BC.

#### Scrolls Available to the People in 710 BC

Genesis	Joshua	Proverbs	Amos
Exodus	Judges	Ecclesiastes	Hosea
Leviticus	Ruth	Song of Solomon	Micah
Numbers	Job	Joel	
Deuteronomy	Psalms	Jonah	

#### Oral Accounts Available to the People in 710 BC

1 Samuel  
2 Samuel  
1 Kings  
2 Kings 1- 20

The Lord will deliver many more details to His people through the next generations of prophets. Those details will be recorded in forty-four more books that the Jews and Christians will use as Scriptures.

Many of Isaiah's promises have been fulfilled since all these prophecies were given; many remain unfulfilled today. Below is a list of all the promises that remain unfulfilled.

Passage	Event	Time
Isa. 1:24-28	The Lord will come as King to remove evil.	Fulfilled at the time of the Lord's coming at Armageddon to reign for 1,000 years on earth
Isa. 2:1-4:6	The Lord will come to set up His kingdom.	Fulfilled at the time of the Lord's coming at Armageddon to reign for 1,000 years on the earth

<b>Passage</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
Isa. 9:1-7	Israel will see a great light when a wonderful Child is born.	Fulfilled in 4 BC through 30 AD and on to the 1,000 year reign of the Lord after Armageddon
Isa. 11:1-12:6	The root of Jesse will establish His kingdom on the Holy Mountain and He will gather Israel for the second time from the ends of the earth to make them the premiere nation of the world living on the Promised Land from the Euphrates to the Nile in peace with no enemies and praising the Lord in His kingdom.	Fulfilled after the Day of the Lord, after Armageddon
Isa. 13:6-16	The Lord will exterminate the wicked sinners.	Fulfilled on the Day of Armageddon
Isa. 18	Tall and smooth people from a country beyond Cush will rescue Israel from attack and pay homage in Zion.	Fulfilled in the middle of the Tribulation
Isa. 19:10-25	Egypt's foolish leadership will finally be crushed by the Lord; she will be fearful of the Lord and His country; Egypt and Assyria will join with Israel in worship of the Lord.	Fulfilled after Armageddon during the 1,000 year reign of the Lord
Isa. 24:1 – 30:5	The events of the Lord's return to set up His kingdom are foretold.	Fulfilled when the Lord returns to set up His kingdom
Isa. 30:7-33	The Lord will punish the nation that attempts to capture the Israelites as they try to run to Egypt for help.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming
Isa. 32-35	The Lord lists the people who will be with Him and the characteristics of life in His kingdom.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming
Isa. 40:1-3a	When the Savior returns, the topography of the world will change.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 40:5	When the Savior returns, everyone alive will see His glory.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:1	The nations will gather to be judged by the Lord.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:2-4	The Lord will come from the east to judge the nations.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:5-7	When the nations arrive with their idols , they will be afraid and tremble as they gather together.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:8-10	The nation of Israel needs not fear when she is attacked because the Lord will protect her when He comes.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:11-14	Israel will become a nation without enemies.	Fulfilled after the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:15-16	Israel will successfully work the Promised Land and it will become a land flowing with all sorts of agricultural products.	Fulfilled after the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:17-20	The Lord will make sure that the Promised Land meets all the needs of Israel.	Fulfilled after the Second Coming of the Lord

<b>Passage</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
Isa. 42:13-18	The Lord will change the topography of the world, heal the infirm and eliminate His enemies.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 42:19-20	Israel's eyes and ears will not be opened to the Lord until His Second Coming.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 42:22-25	Israel will be plundered until the Lord's second return.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 43:5-11	The Lord will gather all of Israel together.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 43:15-20	The Lord will change the desert into an oasis.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 44:1-5	One day, the Lord will bless and revive Israel physically and spiritually.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming
Isa. 41:1	The nations will gather to be judged by the Lord.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:2-4	The Lord will come from the east to judge the nations.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 41:5-7	When the nations arrive with their idols , they will be afraid and tremble as they gather together.	Fulfilled at the Second Coming of the Lord
Isa. 51:11-12a	Zion will be joyful when the Lord returns.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming
Isa. 51:17-52:10	The Lord will redeem Israel and punish her enemies.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming
Isa. 54:1-3	The Gentiles will accept the Lord in large numbers.	Fulfilled between 30 AD the snatching away of the Church
Isa. 54:4-55:13	Israel will finally trust in the Lord as a nation.	Fulfilled at the beginning of the 1,000 year kingdom
Isa. 56-57	The Lord will save the righteous, destroy the wicked and establish Israel as the premier nation when He reigns over His kingdom.	Fulfilled at the beginning of the 1,000 year kingdom
Isa. 59	The Lord alone will provide Israel's restoration.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming
Isa. 60	The Lord alone will provide Israel with peace and prosperity.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming
Isa. 61 - 66	The Lord's destruction of His enemies and the set up of the kingdom will take place.	Fulfilled at the Lord's Second Coming