

# INITIATION INTO ISAIAH

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## CHAPTER SIXTY-TWO

### THEME:

More details concerning the Millennial joys of restored Israel.

### REMARKS:

The yearning of the Messiah for these anticipated joys is before us, but it becomes, likewise, the inspired aspirations of the prophet. This chapter is a picture of sheer delight.

Blessed are all those who hunger and thirst after righteousness Their thirst shall be slaked, their hunger shall be satisfied.

### OUTLINE:

1. **The AMBITION of the Messiah for Israel.** Verses 1-5
2. **The ANTICIPATION of God's People for the Millennium.** Verses 6-10
3. **The ANNOUNCEMENT of the Lord for that Future Day.** Verses 11-12

### COMMENT:

Verse 1—**For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth.**

This is the longing of the Redeemer for the long-looked-for day. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. The prophet's heart as well as the heart of every godly soul on earth, enters into this longing. All of creation and all believers are groaning in their present state as they contemplate the future.

Christian pilgrim, are you weary of the earthly journey and do you desire the fellowship of the Father's house?

Verse 2—**And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all king: thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name.**

A new heart, a new situation and a new righteousness demand a new name.

Verse 3—**Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.**

Israel will also have a new position.

Verse 4—**Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy land Beulah: for the Lord delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.**

Israel has been “**Forsaken**”—this is the picture and name of Israel since the crucifixion of Christ. “Desolate” is a name as well as a description. In the coming Kingdom they shall be called Hephzibah which means “*delightful*” and Beulah which means “*married.*” The King is present to protect, his presence means joy.

Verse 5—**For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee.**

He delights over Israel as a bridegroom over a bride.

Verse 6—**I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence.**

This longing is contagious. Messengers pick it up and proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom. The thirsty soul longs to drink.

Verse 7—**And give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.**

Only the fulfillment of these long awaited promises could satisfy the longing soul.

Verse 8—**The Lord hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, Surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured:**

The Lord has taken an oath that all will be fulfilled.

Verse 9—**But they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the Lord; and they that have brought it together shall drink it in the courts of my holiness.**

There is coming the Kingdom in which all will be fulfilled. Satisfaction will be the trademark when it comes.

**Verse 10—Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people.**

Such glorious anticipation demands a present preparation.

**Verse 11—Behold, the Lord hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him.**

There are some that declare that the promises to Israel, even if true, should not be a part of the gospel message today. This announcement is pertinent for the present hour, as this verse indicates. The salvation of Israel is part of God's overall plan of salvation. The Second Coming of Christ means the second coming of Christ.

**Verse 12—And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the Lord: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.**

The experience of God's salvation will work a transformation in the nation Israel and also the physical earth. The people will be called an holy people, and the land will be greatly desired. The contrary is true today.

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