

A Big Picture Overview of Isaiah

A Book That Spotlights the Amazing Grace of the
Unbelievably Great One True God

The Book of Isaiah

66 Chapters

2 Main Sections

CH 1-39/CH 40-66

CH 1-39: God's +R

Judah's Need for Restoration

CH 40-66: God's Promise

Salvation in the Coming Christ

Begins With a Fact

Rebellion by Judah

Ends With a Promise

Renewal of the Judah/the Land

Overall Message

The LORD is BOTH Holy and Loving, He will both judge sin and restore those who trust in Him/His Messiah

The Bible

66 Books

2 Main Sections

39 OT Books/27 NT Books

OT: God's +R

Our Need for Salvation

NT: God's Provision

Salvation in Jesus Christ

Begins With a Fact

Rebellion by Humanity

Ends With a Promise

The New Heaven/Earth

Overall Message

The Holy AND Loving God will both judge sin and save "all of the ones who believe" in Him/His Son

Isaiah Organized His Content in a Particular Way Seeing It Helps Us Appreciate His Flow of Thought

A Conviction of Sin: Call to National Repentance 1:1-12:6

Tempered by Positive Prophecies of Long Term Restoration

B Promise-Proud Sovereign of Babylon Will Be Humbled 13:1-27:13

C Warning: Don't Trust in Foreign Governments 28:1-35:10

X Narrative: Deliverance of Jerusalem from the Assyrians

The LORD's Sovereignty and Ominipotence 36:1-39:8

C Warning: Don't Trust in False Gods 40:1-48:22

B Promise-Humble Servant of the LORD Will Be Exalted 49:1-54:17

A Conviction of Sin: Call to National Repentance 55:1-66:24

Tempered by Positive Prophecies of Long Term Restoration

The Hero/Main Character of Isaiah

"The Servant of the LORD" Chapters 42; 49; 50; 53 and 61

Isaiah 61:1-2

The Spirit of the LORD God is upon Me, because the LORD has anointed Me to bring good news...

The Trinity in the OLD Testament

The Spirit of the LORD God = God the Holy Spirit

Me = The Servant of the LORD/God the Son-the Messiah Jesus Christ

The LORD = God the Father

Luke 4:18-19

The Book of Isaiah is about Jesus: "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me..."

At the beginning of His ministry, our Lord Jesus read Isaiah 61:1-2 in the synagogue of Nazareth and then said: "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." (4:21) IOWs: I am the Servant of the LORD!

The response? A small riot...resulting in the base of operations of the Lord's ministry moving from Nazareth to Capernaum

Isaiah is Full of Mind-Blowing Truth

Some of These (In Addition to The Servant of the LORD prophecies):

Isaiah 1:18-19	Isaiah 2:2-4 (see Zeph 3:8-20 and Rev 20)
Isaiah 6:1-8	Isaiah 9:6-7
Isaiah 11:1-10	Isaiah 14:12-14
Isaiah 24:1, 4-6, 19-23	Isaiah 26:19
Isaiah 30:18	Isaiah 40:28-31
Isaiah 43:1; 10-13	Isaiah 44:6-8
Isaiah 55:1-3; 6-11; 12-13	Isaiah 65:17-25
Isaiah 66:1-2	

Take This To Heart

General Axiom

The Written Word (the Scripture)...Leads to the Living Word (the Savior)

Specific Example

The Book of Isaiah Contributes Much Significant Truth about God's Person Program and Promises that Christians Should Know/Believe and Apply

Principles To Embrace

1: Scripture NOT Sermons/Biblical Precepts Not Human Preachers
MUST Be Our Focus So That Believers Can Live a Spiritual Life of
Love/Trust and Obedience to the Lord

2: We Must Interpret Our Subjective Feelings/Experiences/Sensations
Through the Objective Lens of Scripture AND NOT the Other Way Around!

3: Bible Study of BOTH OT and NT Scripture is the First (and Foundation)
of the Five Functions of the Christian Church (Acts 2:42-47): 1: Bible Study
2: Fellowship 3: Worship 4: Prayer and 5: Evangelism/World Missions

BUT: We DO NOT Worship the Bible-the Word of God...We Worship God-
the Triune God of the Bible. Therefore Bible Study whether it is the Gospel
of John, the Book of Isaiah or the Epistles of 1 Peter is NOT Just a Matter
of the Head (Sit, Soak and Sour) It is a Matter of the Heart...and the
Hands/Feet: Sharing and Serving. Learning the Bible...is to Lead to
Christians Loving and Living for the God of the Bible!