Lesson 7: Isaiah 13-14

Questions

- 1. What nation does Isaiah pronounce judgment upon (13:1)?
- 2. Who does the Lord call together and for what purpose does he call them (13:2-5)?
- 3. What does the day of the Lord (the day of judgment) bring upon the hearts of men and the sinners of the world (13:6-10)?
- 4. Why does the Lord punish the people of the world (13:11)?
- 5. What happens to the men, the infants, the houses, and the wives of Babylon (13:12-16)?
- 6. Who does the Lord use to bring judgment upon Babylon and how do they act (13:17-18)?
- 7. What happens to the glory, the beauty, and the pride of Babylon (13:19-22)?
- 8. What does the Lord do for Jacob and Israel and what does he give them when Babylon falls (14:1-3)?
- 9. What happens to the king of Babylon (14:4-11)?
- 10. What happens to Lucifer (KJV) or the day-star and why does it happen to him (14:12-15)?

- 11. What kind of person is this who is being described (14:16-17)?
- 12. How is this person treated when he dies (14:18-20)?
- 13. What does the Lord do to the nation of Babylon (14:21-23)?
- 14. What happens to what the Lord purposes against Assyria and all the nations (14:24-27)?
- 15. What nation does Isaiah pronounce judgment upon in the year that king Ahaz dies and what happens to this nation (14:28-31)?
- 16. What is Zion to the afflicted among the Lord's people (14:32)?

Digging Deeper

- 1. What law was broken that made the people of Babylon sinners (13:9; see 24:5)?
- 2. What kind of events are being described with the language used in Isaiah 13:10 (see also Ezek. 32:7-8; Joel 2:10; Amos 5:18; and Mt. 24:29)?
- 3. Who were the Medes and when did they come to Babylon and conquer it (13:17-18)? Where in the Bible is this event recorded and where else in Isaiah and in the Bible do we read about the Medes?
- 4. What can be learned from Jeremiah 50-51 about Babylon's destruction?

- 5. Who is Lucifer (KJV) in Isaiah 14:12 (read verses 4 through 20)?
- 6. What is "the besom of destruction" (KJV) mentioned in Isaiah 14:23?
- 7. Where in Isaiah has the destruction of Assyria already been spoken of (14:25)?
- 8. What year did king Ahaz die (14:28; see also 6:1)?
- 9. What can be learned from Jeremiah 47 and Ezekiel 25 about Philistia's destruction?

Applications for Today

- 1. The day of the Lord is a day of judgment. It is a day of the Lord's wrath and anger upon the sinners and the wicked. It is a day for the Lord's people and all other people as well (13:5-6, 9, 13; 14:5; Rom. 2:5; 1 Thess. 5:2-3; 2 Pet. 3:10; Rev. 19:15).
- 2. The Lord punishes nations that are evil, wicked, sinful, and proud (13:9, 11; 14:5, 21; Mt. 24; Rev. 17-18).
- 3. Prophets, guided by the power of the Holy Spirit, are able to predict the future with detailed accuracy (13:17; Acts 28:25; 2 Pet. 1:20-21).
- 4. The Lord has compassion on his people (14:1-3; 2 Chron. 36:15; Isa. 49:13; Lam. 3:22).
- 5. The Lord resists the proud (14:13-14; Prov. 8:13; 15:25; 16:18; Jas. 4:6; 1 Pet. 5:5).
- 6. When the Lord plans and purposes something, it will come to pass and it cannot be overturned (14:24-27; Job 23:13; Acts 2:23; 4:28; 5:38-39; Heb. 6:17).
- 7. The Lord rules over all the nations and he will judge all the nations, not just Israel (14:26; Mt. 25:32; Rev. 12:5; 19:15).