

Lesson 8: Isaiah 15-20

Questions

1. What nation does Isaiah speak judgment against and what are the people told to do after their land is laid waste and brought to nothing (15:1-5)?
2. What happens to the land and possessions of Moab (15:6-7)?
3. Why is there crying and wailing in Moab (15:8-9)?
4. What is Moab counseled to do (16:1-4)?
5. What is established in the tent of David (16:5)?
6. What is Moab's sin and what happens to this nation (16:6-8)?
7. What does Isaiah do because of the coming judgment upon Moab (16:9-11; see also 15:5)?
8. What do the people of Moab attempt to do in "the high place", but without success (16:12)?
9. How long does it take for the coming judgment to reach Moab and who among them will remain (16:13-14)?
10. What city does Isaiah speak judgment against and what happens to this city and its surrounding areas (17:2-3)?

11. How is the fading glory of Jacob described (17:4-6)?
12. What do some men do at this time (17:7-8)?
13. Why are the children of Israel forsaken and desolate at this time (17:9-11)?
14. What do the nations do and what does the Lord do to them (17:12-14)?
15. What nation does Isaiah speak judgment against and how is it described (18:1-3)?
16. What does the Lord do to the nation that is terrible (18:4-6)?
17. What does this nation do to the Lord (18:7)?
18. What nation does Isaiah speak judgment against and what happens to this nation (19:1-4)?
19. What happens to the land of Egypt (19:5-10)?
20. How are the princes of Zoan and Memphis (Noph) described (19:11-15)?
21. What happens in Egypt “in that day” after the Lord brings judgment upon them?
Their fear (v. 16-17)?

Their language (v. 18)?

Their worship (v. 19-22)?

Their enemy (v. 23)?

Their dominance (v. 24-25)?

22. When does the Lord speak to Isaiah and what is Isaiah told to do (20:1-3)?

23. What does the king of Assyria do to the captives of Egypt and Ethiopia (20:4)?

24. How are the people described who put their trust in Ethiopia and Egypt (20:5-6)?

Digging Deeper

1. Who are the Moabites and where is the land of Moab located on a map (15:1)? What can be learned from Jeremiah 48, Ezekiel 25:8-11, and Amos 2:1-3 about Moab's destruction?

2. What other prophet wept over God's coming judgment (15:5; 16:9-11)?

3. What is the approximate time for Moab's destruction (16:14)?

4. Where is the city of Damascus located on a map and of what nation is Damascus the capital city (17:1)? What can be learned from Jeremiah 49:23-27 and Amos 1:3-5 about the fall of Damascus?

5. Where is the land of Ethiopia located on a map (18:1)?

6. Where is the land of Egypt located on a map (19:1)? What can be learned from Jeremiah 46 and Ezekiel 29-32 about Egypt's destruction?

7. Who are Tartan ("commander", NASV) and Sargon king of Assyria, and when did the events of Isaiah 20:1 take place?

8. How long did Isaiah walk naked and barefoot (20:3)?

Applications for Today

1. It is good to weep and grieve over the divine judgment of mankind (15:5; 16:9-11; Rom. 9:2; 10:1).
2. The Messiah sits on the throne of David in truth and righteousness (16:5; Isa. 9:7; Lk. 1:31-33).
3. Pride goes before destruction (16:6; Prov. 16:18; Mk. 7:22; Lk. 1:51; Jas. 4:6; 1 Pet. 5:5).
4. Men should look to their Maker in trust and not to their idols. They should not forget the God of their salvation (17:7-10; Psa. 95:6; Isa. 45:9, 11; 51:13; 54:5; Hos. 8:14).
5. The Lord rebukes all nations who sin against him (17:13; Psa. 2:1-5; 9:5).
6. Bring a present to the Lord (18:7; Mt. 2:11; Heb. 13:15).
7. National leaders and counselors who follow human wisdom will always lead their people astray (19:11-15; 20:5-6; 1 Cor. 3:19-20).
8. Ungodly and idolatrous people can change. They can fear the Lord, turn to the Lord, worship the Lord, and be a blessing to others (19:16-25; 1 Cor. 6:9-11).
9. We need to be a sacrificial servant for the Lord like Isaiah (20:2-3; 1 Cor. 15:58; 16:10; Phil. 2:19-30).