

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

In preparation for Sunday, January 15, 2023

Passage: Isaiah 29:15-24

Memory Passage: Isaiah 29:22-23

DAY 1 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Is. 29:15-24.** Though we've let the "Ah" statements govern how we've divided chapters 28-33, the two "Ah" sections of chapter 29 are closely related. Write a paragraph summarizing what you learned from your study of 29:1-14.

(b) How have you applied the questions from Day 5 of last week's study? What fruit have you seen? What sanctification have you experienced?

(c) Based on content, speaker, repeated words or phrases, grammar, etc., divide 29:15-24 into its major sections.

(d) Summarize in one sentence the content of each major section you identified in (c).

DAY 2 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Is. 29:15-24.** To whom does the "you" refer in verse 15?

(b) In what ways do they "hide deep from Yahweh (their) counsel, and why do they ask who "sees" or "knows" them (v. 15)?

(c) What does "in the dark" tell you about their "deeds" (v. 15)?

(d) Explain the charge in v. 16 and how this image is used in other passages (i.e., Is. 45:9; 64:8; Jer. 18:4-6; Rom 9:20-21)?

DAY 3 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Is. 29:15-24.** Consider v. 17 to be a proverbial saying describing a complete transformation. What transformation is promised in v. 18, and what situations from 29:1-14 are transformed or reversed?

(b) Who are "the meek" and "the poor," and what will they obtain (v. 19)?

(c) What do "the ruthless" and "the scoffer" (v. 20) have to do with those mentioned in v. 19, and how will God's actions against the ruthless and the scoffer accomplish the promises to those in v. 19?

(d) Explain each of the actions listed in v. 21 and how those who "watch to do evil" being "cut off" (v. 20) will accomplish the promises to the meek and poor of v. 19.

DAY 4 – ASK FOR INSIGHT**READ THE PASSAGE**

- (a) **Read Is. 29:15-24.** Why would Jacob be “ashamed” and “his face grow pale” (i.e., reveal embarrassment) in v. 22b?
- (b) What will reverse this situation (we might say he is “rolling over in his grave”) for Jacob, according to vs. 23-24?
- (c) Explain what is promised in v. 24. Does this mean everyone in Abraham & Jacob’s family will truly worship Yahweh? Explain how the context answers this question.

DAY 5 – ASK FOR INSIGHT**READ THE PASSAGE**

- (a) **Read Is. 29:15-24.** What do you learn about God from Isaiah 29:15-24? What do you learn about man?
- (b) How does the NT use ideas found in Isaiah 29:15-24? In what ways does it speak about and point toward Christ?
- (c) Write down at least five ways Isaiah/Yahweh expected residents of Jerusalem (the original audience) to apply these verses.
- (d) Write down at least five applications from Isaiah 29:15-24 that you will implement in your life this week.

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