

Sermon Notes



Title: "The Gospel in Isaiah: The Destruction of Evil"

Text: Isaiah 26:20-27:1

Theme: Evil and wickedness in all its forms will never finally prevail. It is good news that God will destroy evil. In Christ the evil of your heart has been punished and destroyed. You are hidden away safely in Him from God's judgment.

I. _____ from God's Outpoured _____
on the World's _____ (26:20-21)

A. Summons to _____ (20)

B. God Himself _____ of His Place (21)

II. The _____ of _____ (27:1)

III. Applications

A. When God _____ the world, He does not
_____ the
_____ with the unrighteous.

B. There must be a _____ being behind
_____ because the world is _____.

C. _____ does not _____.

Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:

1. What is the "big picture" Isaiah (God's messenger) presents in chapters 24-27?
2. What is the theme of Isaiah 26:20-27:1?
3. What does God summon His people to do (26:20)?
4. Why does God issue this command (26:21a)?
5. What kind of scene does Isaiah depict when God judges the world (26:21b)?
6. Isaiah employs what word that normally is used for large, mostly marine animals (27:1)?
7. What does Isaiah mean by the use of this term?
8. What other terms are utilized to reinforce this idea (27:1b)?
9. What happens to this being (27:1a)?
10. When will this happen (27:1a)?
11. How do God's people "hide" from His judgment on the world? What place is safe from the LORD's wrath?
12. How might you explain the fact that some of God's people perish in catastrophes?
13. Will the Church ever experience tribulation?
14. What examples are given in Scripture that indicate God protects His people when He rises to punish the wicked?
15. Where does evil come from? 16. How would you respond to a person who dismisses the idea of Satan?
17. If evil is non-personal (i.e. merely a force or a principle), what does this imply about the nature of the world?
18. How would you demonstrate that the existence of evil affirms the existence of God? What still remains a mystery about evil?
19. If evil cannot thrive on its own, why is it not extinct yet?
20. How do you know that evil does not "win"? How should you cope until that day when sin and evil is destroyed?

For Next Lord's Day: Read Isaiah 28:1-29