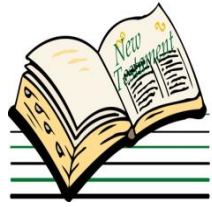


Sermon Notes



Title: "The Gospel in Isaiah: A Gospel Song for God's People"

Text: Isaiah 14:3-21

Theme: The Gospel is good news because God is more powerful than the rulers and kings of the earth. God is more powerful than sin, evil, and wickedness.

THE SONG AGAINST THE KING OF BABYLON (14:3-21)

I. _____ On Earth with the Tyrant _____ (3-8)

II. _____ in Sheol that the King Is _____ (9-11)

III. The Tyrant's _____ Is _____ Because He Thought He Was So Great (12-15)

IV. Final _____ of Overbearing _____

(16-21)

V. Applications

A. The Gospel is good news that God _____ the _____ of _____ in the life of humanity and _____ the human _____ by grace.

B. Almighty God works _____ for the _____ and the _____ of His people.

C. The Gospel prompts and leads God's people to _____ and _____ when the _____ of God are _____ and _____.

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

1. God's people will engage in a specific action at some point in the future. What is this action? When will they do this? Against whom will they direct this (vv. 3-4)?
2. Into how many sections (stanzas) is this song divided? Name them.
3. How should we understand the reference to the king of Babylon in this passage?
4. What has happened to the king in this passage (v. 5)?
5. What effect does the removal of this king have on the world (v. 7)?
6. Where is the scene located in verses 9-11? What is this place?
7. What is the reaction of those who see the arrival of this king (v. 10b)?
8. What is the attitude of this king (vv. 12-14)?
9. Why is this tyrant's humiliation so pronounced (vv. 12, 15)?
10. What are the two humiliating results of this king's pride (vv. 19-21)?
11. What was the reason(s) given for considering this passage to refer to the Assyrian king?
12. What is your view of 14:12-14? Are these verses about Satan? Why or why not? Is there any application of these verses to the believer's arch-enemy?
13. What is sinful pride? Give an example.
14. When do you most detect pride in your life? How do you recognize pride in your attitudes and actions?
15. How can Christians properly rejoice and sing a song such as this in chapter 14 when Scripture tells us not to rejoice when our enemy falls (Proverbs 24:17-18)?
16. How does the Gospel prompt and lead you to sing praise to God?