

## Lesson 1: Isaiah 1-2

### Questions

1. What does Isaiah see and when does he see it (1:1)?
2. How are the Lord's children and people described (1:2-6)?
3. How is the country of Judah and the city of Jerusalem described (1:7-8)?
4. What will the Lord provide for Israel (1:9)?
5. How are the rulers and the people of Israel described (1:10)?
6. What are the Israelites doing that the Lord hates and rejects (1:11-15)?
7. What are the Israelites counseled to stop doing and to start doing (1:16-17)?
8. What invitation and choice does the Lord give Israel (1:18-20)?
9. How are the princes and the people of Jerusalem described (1:21-23)?
10. What does the Lord take away from Jerusalem and what does he restore there (1:24-27)?
11. What happens to the transgressors and the idolaters (1:28-31)?

12. What does Isaiah prophesy concerning the Lord's house (2:1-4)?
13. What does Isaiah call upon the house of Jacob to do and why (2:5-8)?
14. What happens to the people who are proud (2:9-17) and idolaters (2:18-21)?
15. What counsel does Isaiah give regarding man (2:22)?

### **Digging Deeper**

1. What does the name "Isaiah" mean and how does this meaning relate to the theme of the book (1:1)?
2. When did the following kings of Judah reign: Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah (1:1)?
3. How often does Isaiah speak of the "Holy One of Israel" in this book (1:4)?
4. What strangers have been coming into Israel and Judah at this time (1:7; see 2 Kings 17-18)?
5. Where in the NT is Isaiah 1:9 quoted and how is it applied?
6. Where in the OT and NT are Sodom and Gomorrah mentioned as symbols of wickedness (1:10)?

7. What is the “faithful city” (1:21) and the “city of righteousness” (1:26)?
  
8. What were the Israelites doing with their oaks and gardens (1:29-31) and what is “tow” (KJV, ASV) in 1:31?
  
9. What minor prophet speaks the same prophecy as Isaiah 2:2-4? What connection does Daniel 2, Isaiah 2, and Joel 2, have with Acts 2?

### **Applications for Today**

1. The Lord’s children can become rebellious and disobedient (1:2-9; Eph. 5:6; Col. 3:6).
  
2. Worship offered by sinful worshippers is hypocritical. It is hated and rejected by the Lord. The Lord wants right living along with right worship. He wants you, not just yours! He wants a proper attitude, not mere ritual (1:10-15; Jn. 4:24; Mt. 5:23-24; Jn. 9:31; Col. 2:23).
  
3. The Lord invites his people to cleanse themselves of sin and he gives them a choice. The Lord does not force anyone to come to him and obey. Salvation is conditional and man has a free-will choice “if” he will obey God, or “if” he will rebel (1:16-20; Mt. 11:28-30; Rev. 22:17).
  
4. When the Lord’s people sin, they need to be restored (1:21-31; Gal. 6:1-2; Jas. 5:19-20).
  
5. The Lord’s house, the church, was established on the day of Pentecost in Jerusalem in fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecy (2:1-4; Lk. 24:47; Acts 2).
  
6. The light of Jehovah is found in the light of his word and truth (2:5; Psa. 43:3; 119:105, 130; Jn. 3:21; Eph. 5:8-9).
  
7. The Lord’s people need to be careful not to be influenced by the world (2:6-8; Jas. 4:4).
  
8. The Lord will punish all proud and idolatrous people, even those among his own people (2:9-21; Rom. 1:30; 1 Cor. 6:9-10; Gal. 5:19-21; 1 Tim. 6:17-19).
  
9. Do not trust in man (2:22; Psa. 146:3; Jer. 17:5; 2 Cor. 1:9).