

DAY THREE & FOUR**Isaiah 13**

- 6 Wail, for the day of the LORD is near!
It will come as destruction from the Almighty.
- 7 Therefore all hands will fall limp,
And every man's heart will melt.
- 8 They will be terrified,
Pains and anguish will take hold of *them*;
They will writhe like a woman in labor,
They will look at one another in astonishment,
Their faces aflame.
- 9 Behold, the day of the LORD is coming,
Cruel, with fury and burning anger,
To make the land a desolation;
And He will exterminate its sinners from it.
- 10 For the stars of heaven and their constellations
Will not flash forth their light;
The sun will be dark when it rises
And the moon will not shed its light.
- 11 Thus I will punish the world for its evil
And the wicked for their iniquity;
I will also put an end to the arrogance of the proud
And abase the haughtiness of the ruthless.
- 12 I will make mortal man scarcer than pure gold
And mankind than the gold of Ophir.
- 13 Therefore I will make the heavens tremble,
And the earth will be shaken from its place
At the fury of the LORD of hosts
In the day of His burning anger.

Ezekiel 7:19 'They will fling their silver into the streets and their gold will become an abhorrent thing; their silver and their gold will not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD. They cannot satisfy their appetite nor can they fill their stomachs, for their iniquity has become an occasion of stumbling.

Ezekiel 30

- 1 The word of the LORD came again to me saying,
2 "Son of man, prophesy and say, 'Thus says the Lord GOD,
"Wail, 'Alas for the day!'
3 "For the day is near,
Even the day of the LORD is near;
It will be a day of clouds,
A time *of doom* for the nations.

Joel 1:15 Alas for the day!
For the day of the LORD is near,

Joel 2

- 1 Blow a trumpet in Zion,
And sound an alarm on My holy mountain!
Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble,
For the day of the LORD is coming;
Surely it is near,
- 2 A day of darkness and gloom,
A day of clouds and thick darkness.
As the dawn is spread over the mountains,
So there is a great and mighty people;
There has never been *anything* like it,
Nor will there be again after it
To the years of many generations.
- 3 A fire consumes before them
And behind them a flame burns.
The land is like the garden of Eden before them
But a desolate wilderness behind them,
And nothing at all escapes them.
- 4 Their appearance is like the appearance of horses;
And like war horses, so they run.
- 5 With a noise as of chariots
They leap on the tops of the mountains,
Like the crackling of a flame of fire consuming the stubble,
Like a mighty people arranged for battle.
- 6 Before them the people are in anguish;
All faces turn pale.
- 7 They run like mighty men,
They climb the wall like soldiers;
And they each march in line,
Nor do they deviate from their paths.
- 8 They do not crowd each other,
They march everyone in his path;
When they burst through the defenses,
They do not break ranks.
- 9 They rush on the city,
They run on the wall;
They climb into the houses,
They enter through the windows like a thief.
- 10 Before them the earth quakes,
The heavens tremble,
The sun and the moon grow dark
And the stars lose their brightness.
- 11 The LORD utters His voice before His army;
Surely His camp is very great,
For strong is he who carries out His word.
The day of the LORD is indeed great and very awesome,
And who can endure it?

Joel 3

- 9 Proclaim this among the nations:
Prepare a war; rouse the mighty men!
Let all the soldiers draw near, let them come up!
- 10 Beat your plowshares into swords
And your pruning hooks into spears;
Let the weak say, "I am a mighty man."
- 11 Hasten and come, all you surrounding nations,
And gather yourselves there.
Bring down, O LORD, Your mighty ones.
- 12 Let the nations be aroused
And come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat,
For there I will sit to judge
All the surrounding nations.
- 13 Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe.
Come, tread, for the wine press is full;
The vats overflow, for their wickedness is great.
- 14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision!
For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision.
- 15 The sun and moon grow dark
And the stars lose their brightness.
- 16 The LORD roars from Zion
And utters His voice from Jerusalem,
And the heavens and the earth tremble.
But the LORD is a refuge for His people
And a stronghold to the sons of Israel.
- 17 Then you will know that I am the LORD your God,
Dwelling in Zion, My holy mountain.
So Jerusalem will be holy,
And strangers will pass through it no more.
- 18 And in that day
The mountains will drip with sweet wine,
And the hills will flow with milk,
And all the brooks of Judah will flow with water;
And a spring will go out from the house of the LORD
To water the valley of Shittim.
- 19 Egypt will become a waste,
And Edom will become a desolate wilderness,
Because of the violence done to the sons of Judah,
In whose land they have shed innocent blood.
- 20 But Judah will be inhabited forever
And Jerusalem for all generations.
- 21 And I will avenge their blood which I have not avenged,
For the LORD dwells in Zion.

Zepaniah 1

- 7 Be silent before the Lord GOD!
For the day of the LORD is near,
For the LORD has prepared a sacrifice,

He has consecrated His guests.
 8 "Then it will come about on the day of the LORD'S sacrifice
 That I will punish the princes, the king's sons
 And all who clothe themselves with foreign garments.
 9 "And I will punish on that day all who leap on the *temple* threshold,
 Who fill the house of their lord with violence and deceit.
 10 "On that day," declares the LORD,
 "There will be the sound of a cry from the Fish Gate,
 A wail from the Second Quarter,
 And a loud crash from the hills.
 11 "Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar,
 For all the people of Canaan will be silenced;
 All who weigh out silver will be cut off.
 12 "It will come about at that time
 That I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
 And I will punish the men
 Who are stagnant in spirit,
 Who say in their hearts,
 'The LORD will not do good or evil!'
 13 "Moreover, their wealth will become plunder
 And their houses desolate;
 Yes, they will build houses but not inhabit *them*,
 And plant vineyards but not drink their wine."
 14 Near is the great day of the LORD,
 Near and coming very quickly;
 Listen, the day of the LORD!
 In it the warrior cries out bitterly.
 15 A day of wrath is that day,
 A day of trouble and distress,
 A day of destruction and desolation,
 A day of darkness and gloom,
 A day of clouds and thick darkness,
 16 A day of trumpet and battle cry
 Against the fortified cities
 And the high corner towers.
 17 I will bring distress on men
 So that they will walk like the blind,
 Because they have sinned against the LORD;
 And their blood will be poured out like dust
 And their flesh like dung.
 18 Neither their silver nor their gold
 Will be able to deliver them
 On the day of the LORD'S wrath;
 And all the earth will be devoured
 In the fire of His jealousy,
 For He will make a complete end,
 Indeed a terrifying one,
 Of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Matthew 24

- 32 “Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near;
33 so, you too, when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, *right* at the door.
34 “Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.
35 “Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.
36 “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.
37 “For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah.
38 “For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,
39 and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be.
40 “Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one will be left.
41 “Two women *will be* grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left.
42 “Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming.
43 “But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into.
44 “For this reason you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think *He will*.
45 “Who then is the faithful and sensible slave whom his master put in charge of his household to give them their food at the proper time?
46 “Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes.
47 “Truly I say to you that he will put him in charge of all his possessions.
48 “But if that evil slave says in his heart, ‘My master is not coming for a long time,’
49 and begins to beat his fellow slaves and eat and drink with drunkards;
50 the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect *him* and at an hour which he does not know,
51 and will cut him in pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Luke 12

- 35 “Be dressed in readiness, and *keep* your lamps lit.
36 “Be like men who are waiting for their master when he returns from the wedding feast, so that they may immediately open *the door* to him when he comes and knocks.
37 “Blessed are those slaves whom the master will find on the alert when he comes; truly I say to you, that he will gird himself *to serve*, and have them recline *at the table*, and will come up and wait on them.
38 “Whether he comes in the second watch, or even in the third, and finds *them* so, blessed are those *slaves*.
39 “But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have allowed his house to be broken into.
40 “You too, be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour that you do not expect.”
41 Peter said, “Lord, are You addressing this parable to us, or to everyone *else* as well?”
42 And the Lord said, “Who then is the faithful and sensible steward, whom his master will put in charge of his servants, to give them their rations at the proper time?
43 “Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes.
44 “Truly I say to you that he will put him in charge of all his possessions.

- 45 “But if that slave says in his heart, ‘My master will be a long time in coming,’ and begins
to beat the slaves, *both* men and women, and to eat and drink and get drunk;
46 the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect *him* and at an hour
he does not know, and will cut him in pieces, and assign him a place with the unbelievers.
47 “And that slave who knew his master’s will and did not get ready or act in accord with
his will, will receive many lashes,
48 but the one who did not know *it*, and committed deeds worthy of a flogging, will receive
but few. From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and to whom
they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more.

1 Thessalonians 1

- 9 For they themselves report about us what kind of a reception we had with you, and how
you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God,
10 and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, *that is* Jesus, who
rescues us from the wrath to come.

1 Thessalonians 3

- 11 Now may our God and Father Himself and Jesus our Lord direct our way to you;
12 and may the Lord cause you to increase and abound in love for one another, and for all
people, just as we also *do* for you;
13 so that He may establish your hearts without blame in holiness before our God and Father
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints.

1 Thessalonians 5

- 1 Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written
to you.
2 For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in
the night.
3 While they are saying, “Peace and safety!” then destruction will come upon them
suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape.
4 But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief;
5 for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness;
6 so then let us not sleep as ^bothers do, but let us be alert and sober.
7 For those who sleep do their sleeping at night, and those who get drunk get drunk at
night.
8 But since we are of *the* day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and
love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation.
9 For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus
Christ,
10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we will live together with Him.
11 Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.

1 John 3

- 1 See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of
God; and *such* we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not
know Him.
2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We
know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.
3 And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

Luke 19

- 11 While they were listening to these things, Jesus went on to tell a parable, because He was near Jerusalem, and they supposed that the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately.
- 12 So He said, "A nobleman went to a distant country to receive a kingdom for himself, and *then* return.
- 13 "And he called ten of his slaves, and gave them ten minas and said to them, 'Do business *with this* until I come *back*.'
- 14 "But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.'
- 15 "When he returned, after receiving the kingdom, he ordered that these slaves, to whom he had given the money, be called to him so that he might know what business they had done.
- 16 "The first appeared, saying, 'Master, your mina has made ten minas more.'
- 17 "And he said to him, 'Well done, good slave, because you have been faithful in a very little thing, you are to be in authority over ten cities.'
- 18 "The second came, saying, 'Your mina, master, has made five minas.'
- 19 "And he said to him also, 'And you are to be over five cities.'
- 20 "Another came, saying, 'Master, here is your mina, which I kept put away in a handkerchief;
- 21 for I was afraid of you, because you are an exacting man; you take up what you did not lay down and reap what you did not sow.'
- 22 "He said to him, 'By your own words I will judge you, you worthless slave. Did you know that I am an exacting man, taking up what I did not lay down and reaping what I did not sow?
- 23 'Then why did you not put my money in the bank, and having come, I would have collected it with interest?'
- 24 "Then he said to the bystanders, 'Take the mina away from him and give it to the one who has the ten minas.'
- 25 "And they said to him, 'Master, he has ten minas *already*.'
- 26 "I tell you that to everyone who has, more shall be given, but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.
- 27 "But these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slay them in my presence."

DAY FIVE

1 Peter 2

- 1 Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander,
- 2 like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation,
- 3 if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.

Hebrews 5

- 12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food.
- 13 For everyone who partakes *only* of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant.
- 14 But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to

discern good and evil.

Colossians 2

- 6 Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, *so* walk in Him,
- 7 having been firmly rooted *and now* being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, *and* overflowing with gratitude.
- 8 See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ.

2 Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.

Ephesians 5

- 26 so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,
- 27 that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless.