

Studies in the Book of

ISAIAH

58:1 – 59:21

ISAIAH (PART 2)

III. Future Glory of the People of God and the Doom of Apostates
– (a contrast between the faithful and the hypocrites in Israel).
(Chs. 58-66).

A. Instructions and warnings; confession and promise, **chs. 58, 59**

1. False and true worship, **(Ch. 58).**

a. Formalism rebuked and instructions for fasting, **(vv. 1-12).**

b. Strict observance of the Sabbath enjoined, **(vv. 13-14).**

2. The existing wall of partition: sin, **(Ch. 59).**

a. A general rebuke for sins, which separate from God, **(vv. 1-8).**

b. A confession of national wickedness, **(vv. 9-15a).**

c. Promise of deliverance to oppressed Israel, **(vv. 15b-21).**

Questions

1. What was wrong with the fast offered by the house of Jacob? **(58:1-5)**
2. What was the fast that God had chosen? **(58:6-7)**
3. What were they instructed to do to find delight in the Lord? **(58:13-14)**
4. “ _____, the _____ hand is not _____, that it _____
_____; Nor His _____, that it _____. But
your _____ have _____ you from your _____; and your _____
have _____ His _____ from you, so that He will _____.”
(59:1-2)
5. What are the sins that Israel committed?
6. What followed the rebuke of the people’s sins? **(59:9-15a)**

Questions

7. With what was the Lord displeased that He did not find? (**59:15b-16a**)
8. What did the Lord do in response to His displeasure? (**59:16b-19**)
9. To whom would the Redeemer come? (**59:20**)
10. What is the covenant which the Lord makes with His people? (**59:21**)

Thought Question:

The Bible is clear about the holiness of God, and what sin does to a man's relationship with Him. What pattern does Isaiah 59 reveal about sin's effect, and the necessary response to be restored to God? What New Testament passages support this pattern?

Next Class

Studies in the Book of

ISAIAH

60:1-62:12