

Isaiah 55

King James Version (KJV)

(God's invitation to the faithful)

55 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. (God's gifts need no money. They are not for sale. Jesus paid the price for us at the crucifixion)

(This is spiritually speaking. Our salvation wasn't free. Jesus paid a high price for it)

²Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. (Giving tithes to false teachers is a waste of your money – even if they call themselves Christians. They write sermons made up in their own imagination; and ignore the true Word of God. The result is that their followers earn nothing of value)

Proverbs-1:7 (The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction)

(Only the true Word of God teaches us the healthy way to live and to love – each other and Almighty God. It satisfies our soul. It gives us true peace of mind – regardless of what the world tries to throw at us)

³Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. (Hear = to hear with understanding – hear, reflect & learn) (God made the same covenant with David) see 2Samuel-7:8

⁴Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people. (David was a type for Jesus. Jesus Christ is the true leader and commander of all Christians)

⁵Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee. (The 10 tribes of Israel ended up in Western Europe, the US and Canada. Almighty God blessed all of these nations; until they turned away from Him in order to become secular societies)

(Since then, their national wealth and power have diminished to nothing. The leaders are corrupt. Poverty and crime are rampant. That's what happens when people choose the ways of the world instead of the ways of God)

⁶Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: (Do it while there is still time)

See Mathew-25:1-13 (5 of the 10 virgins didn't actively seek to know God until it was too late. The oil in their lamps was symbolic for the truth of God's Word. The 5 didn't know God's Word. When they finally asked to know, it was too late. They couldn't participate in the great wedding. The oil was called El-o-Yah <Hebrew>. Those are two of God's names <El & Yah>)

⁷Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. (Repent honestly and truthfully; and God will forgive and bless you)

⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. (God's thoughts and His ways are pure and righteous. Jesus <God in the flesh> led a perfect life. We can't do that)

(Without God's forgiveness, none of us would be able to make the cut on judgment day)

⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. (God is far wiser than we are)

(But when we try to live by His Word, we can ask Him for wisdom. HE grants it to us freely; every time we need it)

¹⁰For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: (God provides for us, always; both physically and spiritually)

¹¹So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. (void = empty, meaningless)

(Hearing God's Word continually keeps us on the right path. It prospers us in God's blessings in this Age. And it will lead us to eternal life with God in the Third Age)

(God's Word cannot be wiped out by the enemy. It will always prosper the people who hear it and believe) See Deuteronomy-32:1-4

¹² For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. (That will happen on the Lord's Day. Until then, the creation itself groans for the return of Messiah) see Romans-8:22

¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. (myrtle tree = allspice plant) (God will rejuvenate the whole world in the Third Age. We will live with God , in paradise for all eternity)