Isaiah's Writings Are Alive and Well in 2015

"Woe to Jerusalem and its Alliance with Egypt" What does this mean for today?

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"Woe to Ariel, to Ariel (Jerusalem), the city where David dwelt! Add ye year to year: let the feasts come around." Isaiah 29:1

An interesting footnote that has nothing to do with the Bible study is that the word "Ariel" means Jerusalem. Sharon, means beautiful plain or level place. Ariel Sharon's real birth name was Ariel Scheinerman. His parents were Russian Jews who immigrated to Palestine where Ariel Hebraized his name to Sharon.

In this chapter, Isaiah is using the term Ariel – or Jerusalem – to encompass those who profess to be God's people, whether then or now, but are not living up to God's ideals.

"Yet I will distress Ariel (Jerusalem) and there shall be heaviness and sorrow:

"And I will camp against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mound, and I will raise forts (siege works) against thee.

"And thou shalt be brought down, and shall speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be, as a evil medium (witch), out of the ground and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust." vss 2-4

"Thou shalt be visited (improperly translated "punished") of the Lord of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring fire." Vs 6

When God's people reject God and fall into apostasy – whether in Isaiah's time, or in our time – God will allow them to "reap what they have sown" which is the devouring "fire" – the trouble they have brought on themselves - that will "burn" the sin out of their life.

"And the multitude of all the nations (unbelievers = the present day Jewish Illuminati One World Government) that fight against Ariel (Jerusalem = those who profess to be God's people), even all that fight against her and her fortress, and that distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision. "It shall even be as when the hungry man dreameth, and behold, he eats: but he awaketh and his soul is empty: a thirsty man dreameth, and behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh and, behold, he is faint, and his soul still craves: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion. Vss 7 & 8

God brings the pagan nations against His people when they turn their back on Him. But those same pagan nations will also reap what they have sown for their audacity in attacking and persecuting God's people.

"Pause yourselves, and wonder; blind yourselves and be blind: they are drunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.

"For the Lord has poured out upon you the spirit of sleep, and has closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath He covered. Vss 9 & 10

God has blinded them so they cannot see truth.

"And the whole vision has become unto you as the words of a book (scroll) that is **sealed**, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot: for it is **sealed:**" vs 11

In Revelation 5 and 6, John writes of the Seven Seals that contained information that no one could understand until the Scrolls were Unsealed. And the only One worthy to Open the seals In order Open the book that would reveal the secret information was "the Lamb that was slain. As in the Seven seals, so it is in the book of Isaiah, both in Isaiah's time and now, in our time, the ONLY One who can open our mind to truth is Jesus Christ, otherwise, they are blinded to truth.

That's why so many Christian churches and their members have no idea what is going on in the world politically, medically or spiritually. They are in darkness because they haven't given up their right to themselves and given it over to Jesus Christ, so He can open their mind to truth.

"And the book is delivered to him that does not know books, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it is sealed." Vs 12

That's why so many Christians look at you with glazed eyes when you start telling them what is going on in the world today. They are unable to "see" (understand) what they read in God's Word. The "book" is "sealed" to them and they are helpless to understand it.

"Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honor me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their reverence toward me is taught by the precepts of men." Vs 13 The churches today are nothing more than secular country clubs - businesses that blasphemously pretend to be "of the Lord." They "honor God with their lips – but their hearts are far from Him. For example, they believe God is a Killer God, they believe they "have the truth" and there is nothing more to learn, they "do" church one hour a week, and live the rest of the week pretty much as they wish, they support war (or at least support the troops that do the Killing), they have virtually no REVERENCE for the Lord: their church services are noisy, full of greeting each other, singing Happy Birthday, and making a big deal of greeting guests in the sanctuary. Televangelists rant and rave about "Jesus" and Chick publications, a supposed Christian organization, makes the Bible into comic books.

There is NO reverence for the Lord in churches and other religious organizations.

But God will allow them all to reap what they have sown, in order, eventually, to turn them "back to right-doing." (Psalm 94:15 and Isaiah 26:9)

"Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvelous work among this people, even a marvelous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid." Vs 14

"The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God." 1 Cor 3:19

"Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the Lord, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? And who knoweth us? Vs 15

The corruption of many televangelists on nationwide television, including 3ABN, proves that they do NOT believe in God - - - because if they did, they would know that He knows everything they are doing – and they eventually will have to reap everything they have sown - publicly!

"Surely you have turned things upside down. Shall the potter be esteemed like the clay? For shall the work say of Him that made it, He made me not? (The church's doctrine of "Freewill" – I, not God, have the right to control my OWN destiny) Or shall the thing formed say of Him that formed it, "He had no understanding?" vs 16

"Man" believes that if he can't figure out the solution to a problem, then neither can God.

Future Recovery of Wisdom

But God can open the eyes, ears, and heart of the most corrupt sinner:

"Is it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest?

And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.

"The meek also shall increase their joy in the Lord, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

"For the terrifying one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that lie in wait shall be cut off:" Vss 17-20

"Therefore thus saith the Lord, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob, Jacob shall not now be ashamed neither shall his face grow pale.

"But when he healeth his children, the work of MY hands, in the midst of him, they shall hallow My name, and sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall Reverence the God of Israel.

"They also that erred in spirit shall know understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine." Vss 22-24

There you have it: Universal Restoration.

"Is anything too Hard for the Lord?" Gen 18:14

Woe to an Egyptian Alliance: Isaiah Chapter 30

"Woe to the rebellious children, saith the Lord, that take counsel, but NOT of Me: and that devise plans but not of My spirit, that they may add sin to sin:

"That walk to go down into Egypt (symbolic for sin) and have not asked My advice; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt!" Vss 1 and 2

Even now, the symbol of the Illuminati is the Egyptian pyramid with the "all-seeing eye of Horus."

"Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your humiliation. Vs 3

Strange philosophies (often tainted with New Age) have entered the churches and will contribute to their downfall.

"Now go write it before them on a table, and note it on a scroll, that it may be for the time to come for the eons of the eons.

"That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the Lord.

"Which say to the seers, See not: and to the prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits:" Vss 9 and 10

And that is what the churches are teaching, smooth sermons for "itching ears."

"Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.

"Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, because you despise this Word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and rely there on:

"Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, a bulge out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at a instant.

"And he shall break it as the breaking of the potters' vessel that is broken in pieces: he shall not spare: so that there shall not be found among the fragments a shard to take fire from the hearth, or to take water withal out of the cistern.

"For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel: In returning and rest shall you be saved: in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and you would NOT!

"But you said, No; for we will flee upon horses: therefore shall you flee: and, We will ride upon the swift: therefore shall they that pursue you be swift." Vss 11-16

"Man's" desire for "self-defense" rather than relying on God. "WE will flee on horses – for our OWN protection. . ."

But while we reap what we have sown, God will always graciously wait for us to come to our senses.

"And therefore will the Lord wait, that He may be gracious unto you, and therefore will He be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the Lord is a God of judgment: (allowing us to reap what we sow, until we learn to do right – Psalm 94:15 and Isaiah 26:9).

"For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem; thou shalt weep no more: he will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer you.

"And though the Lord give you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, (it's only trouble that causes us to change) yet shall not thy teachers be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy teachers.

"And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when you turn to the right hand, and when you turn to the left. Vss 18-21

Like the father of the Prodigal son, God will welcome all back into the fold once they understand their need for Him to run their life.

A Reign of Righteousness: Chapter 31

"Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and rely on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong: but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the Lord!" vs 1

God admonishes Christians, once again, not to rely on self-defense, but to rely on God. Christians "think" they trust God, but they really trust "man" – doctors, pastors, family and friends, the military, the government.

"Yet He also is wise, and will bring disaster, and will not retract His words; but will arise against the house of the evildoers, and against the help of them that work iniquity.

"Now the Egyptians are men, and not God; and their horses are flesh, and not spirit. When the Lord shall stretch out His hand, both he that helped shall fall, and he that is helped shall fall down, and they all shall perish together." Vs 2,3

Again, man (humanity, including Christians) believes he is trusting in God when he is really trusting in man. But those who trust in man shall perish.

"Return unto Him from whom the children of Israel have deeply revolted.

"For in that day every man shall cast away his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you for a sin."

Even though most people today, in developed countries, don't worship actual idols made of silver and gold, they DO worship the work of their own hands. They believe THEY can run their life just fine without God. Particularly those who are immensely wealthy – with actual silver and gold, which they worship (like the Rothschilds and the international Jewish bankers) – eventually will be brought down to nothing.

Chapter 33: God's promise to His Faithful Ones

"Hear, ye that are far off, what I have done: and, ye that are near, acknowledge My might.

"The sinners in Zion are afraid: fearfulness has surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? And who among us shall dwell with eonian glowings (not "everlasting burnings" as the KJV translates this passage)

Answer:

"He that walks righteously, and speaks uprightly; he that despises the gain of oppressions, that shakes his hands, refusing bribes, that stops his ears from hearing of bloodshed, and shuts his eyes from seeing evil.

"He shall dwell on high: his place of defense shall be the fortress of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure." Vs 13-16

"And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity." Vs 24.

As Psalm 103:3 says:

"He forgives ALL our sins - and heals ALL our diseases." (In THAT order.)

Those who are righteous, those who despise oppression, those who hold to their righteous principles and refuse to be bought, and turn their back on evil, God promises to provide safety, and food and water, and none will be sick.

What wonderful promises from God as we enter the End Times of this earth's history.