

23-Isaiah-32-Transcript

[Music]

well greetings brethren and welcome to
another wednesday night bible study
just making sure that everything is
working on my side here
it looks good uh i'm recording this uh
as i won't be available live but
hopefully everybody will be able to get
what we
intend out of the message this evening
uh let's open with the word of prayer
and then we can get into isaiah 3 uh
and four hopefully god willing will
cover both chapters three
and four this evening our heavenly
father we
come before your holy most majestic
most merciful throne and we're just so
grateful to you almighty god
that we have this incredible distinct
privilege
of studying these ancient scriptures
scriptures that were written thousands
of years ago
by men whom you inspired with the holy
spirit
to warn your people to direct your
people back
to their covenant commitments and to
foretell what would befall the covenant
community
in the latter times we just thank you
god that from these scriptures we can be
informed
we can gain wisdom and we can order our
steps
to conform with jesus christ we thank
you almighty god and we pray
in his name amen so last week brethren
we were
in um chapter two and what i want to do
is just pick up a couple of verses from

chapter two
and then get into chapters three and
four
four this evening so just a couple of
verses from from chapter two and you
remember the
the focus was this whole notion
of uh pride and identifying pride is the
root cause
of the covenant communities issues
and sinfulness and abominations which
was also the root cause
of sodom and gomorrah's sinfulness and
abomination
which is also the root cause of satan's
sinfulness and abomination and and
babylon and the tower of babel and we
see the pride there
so we see this and this is uh really
timely as we're
approaching the passover and the days of
unleavened bread particularly
that we want to root out these leavening
agents
because we know this comes from satan
and we want to replace it with the
sincerity of unleavened bread which
comes from christ
so here we see in chapter 2 and verse
and the loftiness of man shall be
bowed down and the haughtiness of man
shall be made low this is the solution
and and when when
christ acts when christ appears to make
right the earth
this is what's going to be addressed and
it's going to be addressed within
the covenant community first and then
the rest of the world
and jehovah alone shall be exalted
in that day he's the only one that will
be exalted the whole world will
understand
who their creator is and will honor him

appropriately worthy is the lamb
and the idols he shall utterly abolish
so all of the nonsense that we're living
through now
with all kinds of false gods and
idols being held up in high esteem
this is coming to an end and then
dropping down to verse 22
the chapter concluded with cease you
from
man whose breath is in his nostrils
as opposed to yehovah who is the ever
living
that that he is just the self-existent
one he's ever living he's the eternal
uh cc from man and turn to jehovah
cease you from man whose breath is in
his nostrils he
he can't keep himself alive
for wherein is he to be accounted of i
mean he's nothing
so all these powerful mighty men that
really think they're something what does
the psalmist say
they're like the blade of grass they're
like a flower
they sprout up they have their moment
and then it's over
now we come to chapter three and
remember in chapter one it opened
that this is the vision concerning
judah and jerusalem and in chapter 2 it
opened saying this is the word
that isaiah saw concerning judah and
jerusalem
so we must never forget that isaiah is
making it very very clear to us
what the subject matter is and the
subject matter is the covenant community
more specifically
judah and in particular jerusalem so
let's keep that in mind now
as we read chapter three for behold
adonai the lord jehovah of

hosts jehovah of armies
this this is a frightening term you
don't you don't you don't want to go up
against jehovah of the armies
he does take away from jerusalem
and from judah so chapter 1 told us this
is about
jerusalem and judah chapter 2 told us
this is about jerusalem and judah
and now we're seeing in chapter three
this is concerning
jerusalem and judah he does take away
from jerusalem and from judah
the stay and the staff these are hebrew
words that really mean the the supply
the support that which underpins
any nation's greatness he's going to
take away the whole stay of bread
the bread of life what keeps them alive
and the whole stay of water
so this this is a serious plague
this this is uh the lord of hosts the
whole jehovah of hosts
is doing this so in addition to taking
away
the the supply chain the the the the
underpinning of their greatness the food
supply
he's also going to take away excuse me
the mighty man and the man of war
so again as a nation becomes great and
have a great supply chain great economy
he's going to have great men valiant men
who who have built up the nation and god
says of judah and jerusalem he's going
to take away
the mighty man and the man of war
the judge and the prophet and the
prudent
and the ancient the captain of fifty
and the honorable man and the counselor
and the cunning artificer and the
eloquent
orator so we know that this is speaking

of judah and jerusalem
but it certainly wouldn't be wrong for
us to think in terms of
our western nations and
what has happened to us and and the
the distinguished leaders you know the
strong man who who
withstood tyranny
and fought for freedom all these men are
taken away and this is part of the curse
so certainly this is focused on judah
and jerusalem but we can look at the
nations of israel
and see the blessings with which they
have been blessed
and those blessings being taken away the
mighty man and the man of war the judge
and the prophet and the prudent and the
ancient the captain of fifty and the
honorable man
and the counselor and the cunning
artificer
and the eloquent orator so
all of this uh you know cause and effect
world
these would be the causes of their
greatness because of these men
and because of the strong economy and
god is saying now
to judah and jerusalem having seen what
happened to the northern tribes
now the focus is on the south and
babylon
is rising and god is going to use
babylon to do all of this
but christ said that he came to fulfill
the prophecies to the full that nothing
will be taken away these tend to come in
terms of
patterns there's the antitype and then
the type and the first fulfillment
this is going to be fulfilled fully as a
result of christ's coming
and his declaration in matthew 23 the

tail end of matthew 23 and matthew 24
the abomination that makes desolate is
going to do all of this
in a way that has never been done before
but this is setting up to the initial
fulfillment
which is the babylonian captivity so all
of these
are going to be taken away and they're
going to be replaced with
god says and i will give children
to be their princes or children to be
their leaders
and babes shall rule over them
and the implication of the hebrew here
is spoiled brats
spoiled brats immature who have no sense
of boundaries
who just always want their way and will
throw a tantrum if they don't get their
way
this is who will be leading the nation
and the people shall be oppressed
beautiful rhetoric notwithstanding
and we should not fall for beautiful
rhetoric but here it is the people shall
be oppressed
every one by another this is speaking
within the covenant community
this is not that the babylonians are
going to do this this is they're doing
this to each other
and as a result of weakening themselves
they're going to be
minced meat before the the gentile
powers
and the people shall be oppressed every
one by another
and everyone noticed by his neighbor
the the the covenant people are doing
this to themselves
the child in the covenant community
shall be saved behave himself
proudly against the ancient in the

covenant community
so the standards have been warped uh
there's no longer
any respect for the ancient
isaiah will later say woe unto those
who call the good evil and the evil good
this is where the nation is heading and
the base
against the honorable so something's
going to happen
where those who are base and have no
qualities or standards or or
prerequisites for these roles are going
to be put in these roles
and they're going to become very
arrogant and and
inflated and self-absorbed
when a man verse 6 shall take hold of
his brother
of the house of his father saying you
have clothing
be you our ruler so this is the time
when the leadership is completely
decimated
the nation is now in turmoil and they
need
they realize they need leaders and now
they're saying hey
you've got at least you've got clothing
you know you can make a public
appearance look at us
we're naked you know or we've we're
totally our clothes are totally
tattered we got nothing but at least you
can make an appearance
so you have clothing you be our ruler
and let this ruin be under your hand so
somebody has to take responsibility
somebody needs to lead here
why don't you do it in that day shall he
swear saying
i will not be a healer i'm not going to
try to put things back together
for in my house is neither bread

nor clothing so i've got the shirt on my
back and that's basically it
i'm not qualified to take on this
disaster and try
i i can barely put my own house together
never mind trying to rebuild the nation
make me not a ruler of the people for
jerusalem
is ruined this and this is a prophecy
that they had never
contemplated this eventuality they could
have never foreseen this coming
prophet is telling them this is what's
going to happen and and
and sometimes when we're in a robust
economy
we just think it's going to go on
forever and ever and we just take it all
for granted
and and certainly globally right now
all the western nations i i believe uh
depend upon
the us economy and the us dollar
and it's not looking good
and and here these prophecies that we're
reading about jerusalem
uh in the sixth century bc
i think that's how you would say it
this is sort of the first fulfillment of
this prophecy
but the prophecy remains outstanding
for the abomination that truly makes
desolate
which christ came and said is coming
so so this is all going to happen again
but this time at a level of intensity
the world has never seen
that no nation will ever suffer the way
this nation is going to suffer
but for these prophecies to be fulfilled
america
must fall that judah is the only
democracy
we call it the nation of israel today

this is the only democracy in the middle
east
and it is surrounded by nations that
hate her
and america supports
judah that there's been this
long-standing relationship between the
the might and military prowess of
america
and the nation that we call israel today
are the tribe of judah
but as a result of the change in
administration
there's been a change in sentiment
toward judah
and the current administration is
turning their back
on judah the nation we call israel and
turning toward
the palestinians and the iranians
and willing to support them in their
claims
to this land and
and as they withdraw their as the
current administration
withdraws its support for judah and for
jerusalem
devastating consequences await and it's
going to get to the point where when the
american economy collapses
she can do nothing for israel anyway
so so this this future is coming it's
boiling up
and and now you know we had four years
where
we were withdrawing troops unnecessarily
from unnecessary wars
current administration war is a
money-making machine
and people get rich with war and so now
we're
back in the middle east getting caught
up in this again and so the middle east
we have to watch it

like christ tells us to watch to watch
jerusalem
watch the middle east
so all of this for jerusalem to be
ruined
america must turn her back on jerusalem
and and be
incapable of helping jerusalem and then
the gentile nations will have their way
with her for jerusalem is ruined
and judah is fallen now why did this
happen
because their tongue and their doings
are against yahuwah
to provoke the eyes of his glory
interesting phrase and it kind of brings
to mind
nimrod who was a mighty hunter against
the lord he defied god
and and here judah and jerusalem are no
better
isaiah opens up in chapter one saying
god's saying of all the tribes of israel
he has raised children
and they have rebelled against him and
that's what we see here these these
people have rebelled against him
and they provoked the eyes of his glory
his glorious eyes
the show of their countenance or their
faces
it witnesses against them just look at
them look at the arrogance
this witnesses against them and they
declare their sin
as sodom they hide it not
they have no shame they are just full of
this pride
and all kinds of abomination and murder
and they don't even try to hide it
and again you you think we're reading
here of the the western democracies
america canada australia britain
this is this is perfect description of

our democracies but we must remember
it's kind of easy to jump in
pick up a couple of verses and just
apply them to our
democracies but if we read carefully
what the prophet is telling us he's
telling us that this is the vision that
he saw
concerning judah and jerusalem so we can
take the principles here certainly
and apply them to our
democracies our nations but the vision
is very specific
it's about the land in the middle east
and the people that are occupying that
land
judah and jerusalem
he says they don't even hide it
woe unto their soul for they have
rewarded
evil unto themselves they they have
brought this to themselves and again it
sounds like we're talking about our own
nations
we're foolish we're we are bringing upon
ourselves
incredible evil we we are bringing upon
ourselves a crashed economy
we we want this we want to just sit back
and collect universal basic income
sit back and just collect and just keep
printing money and and there's
nobody nobody wants to work we just want
to collect to pay uh collect a universal
basic income
no this this won't work and then we want
to put people in power that support
transgenderism which according to the
bible is an abomination
but this is the thing now you can't
speak against this
and to destroy the family and we we are
supporting all these movements
that openly they don't even try to hide

it openly they want to destroy the
family
and then we have christians supporting
it it's unbelievable
but it's not this is speaking
specifically about judah and jerusalem
although we can clearly apply these
principles
to our nations but he says here
woe into their soul
that's a curse woe unto their soul
for they have rewarded evil catastrophe
unto themselves this is what they've
brought upon themselves
say you to the righteous however isaiah
say
to the righteous that it shall be well
with him
for they shall eat the fruit of their
doings and i think this verse again
this is speaking specifically of judah
and jerusalem we can apply the principle
that globe this is going to have global
global
consequences global ramifications
and we the righteous those who truly
seek to follow god we can get caught up
in all of this and as the nation goes
down
we will suffer as well and then isaiah's
god's message through isaiah is it shall
be well with us
don't worry as much as this catastrophe
is
is targeted it is going to sweep up
many many nations and peoples with it
but the message is
all will be well all will be well for
the righteous
and just think of revelation revelation
6 10
the martyrs cried with a loud voice
saying how long
oh lord holy and true do you not

judge and avend our blood on them that
dwell on the earth when will you act
while he will act
but in the meantime white robes were
given unto every one of them
and it was said unto them that they
should rest yet for a little season
until their fellow servants also and
their brethren
that should be killed as they were
should be fulfilled
tell you the speak you unto the
righteous and tell them
it shall be well with them even though
we may be martyred in the process
god takes the big picture the long view
and so this life is not everything
and we need to be faithful to the end
and so no matter what happens in this
life
the message from isaiah is all will be
well
all will be well in revelation 7 and
verse 3 concerning judah specifically
revelation 7 and verse 3 uh before this
seal is unleashed saying hurt not the
earth
neither the sea nor the trees till we
have sealed the servants of god
in their foreheads and i heard the
number of them which were sealed
and there were sealed 144
000 of all the tribes of the children of
israel
of the tribe of judah were sealed
12 000 and then the other tribes were
sealed as well
but notice there is a remnant in judah
and god reserves for himself a remnant
in all the tribes
and that ceiling may involve martyrdom
but there is there is going to be a
sealed
number within the tribe of judah

so isaiah's message is it'll be well
even if it means martyrdom
and here in revelation 20 we see the
ultimate
reward and outcome of those who were
martyred john says in verse 4 he saw
thrones
and they sat upon them and judgment was
given unto them
and i saw the souls of them that were
beheaded for the witness of jesus
and tell them it will be well with them
it'll be well it may not seem to be well
satan's servants may think they have the
upper hand but that's not the whole
story
they were beheaded for the witness of
jesus and for the word of god so there's
going to be such hostility
to the witness of jesus in the word of
god and we must be very very
stable established and not get caught up
with the the movement of the day
that ultimately is going to turn us
against yeshua
and which had not worshipped the beast
and that means ultimately will be
seduced into worshiping the beast
but these faithful had not worshiped the
beast neither his image
neither had received his mark upon their
foreheads or in their hands
and they lived and reigned with christ
a thousand years say you to the
righteous
it will be well with them regardless of
what's happening
on the earth isaiah continues
so it's going to be well for the
righteous this is going to be a
catastrophe that's going to come upon
the nation
but tell those who repent it'll be fine
those who don't however there's a

different message
woe to the wicked it shall be
ill with him it's not going to go well
for the reward of his hands shall be
given him
so those who do not repent within judah
and jerusalem
they're going to get the full brunt of
this
he says as for my people children
are their oppressors and again it's easy
for us to apply this to our nations
but he's that the vision specifically
concerns judah
and jerusalem he says as for my people
children are their oppressors and women
rule over them oh my people
they which lead you cause you to air and
destroy the way of your past so
the mighty man the man of valor the
eloquent orator
uh the captain of 50 all these powerful
leaders
god takes them away and they're replaced
now
with children women and children and the
children are such that
they're they're tyrannical they get
drunk on power
but they're not really qualified for the
role but they are they're oppressing
their people
and women are ruling over them and you
get these judgments that really
don't make sense and are born of
weakness and not of strength
so they cause us to air cause the
covenant people to air
and they destroy the way of your paths
beautiful rhetoric notwithstanding
they destroy the way of your path
jehovah
stands up to plead oh boy
oh boy imagine his own people are

behaving in such a way
that it excites the lord to stand up
and he has a controversy now that is
alarming
jehovah stands up to plead and stands to
judge the people
in isaiah 33 and verse 10 he says this
is the lord that's been hidden
he says he hides from jacob and now in
33 verse 10 he says now will i rise
says yehovah now will i be exalted
now will i lift up myself meaning up
until now up until this moment
he hasn't been exalted up until this
moment he's been hidden
and people have been crafting up their
own narratives and serving them
and deceiving with their own narratives
and exalting idols and exalting
themselves
and god now has had enough and now he's
going to put the earth
right in verse 14 of the same chapter he
says
the sinners in zion are afraid
these are the ones that were arrogant
these were the ones that were puffing
themselves up these were the ones that
were oppressing others
and now when god arises
now we see the sinners in zion are
afraid
fearfulness has surprised the hypocrites
who among us shall dwell with the
devouring fire
who among us shall dwell with
everlasting burnings
this is the future now
he says here jehovah
will enter into judgment with the
anceints of his people
and the princes thereof so he's going to
challenge that they've challenged him
he's going to challenge them

for you have eaten up the vineyard we're
going to learn more about this vineyard
in chapter
5 i believe it is you've eaten up my
vineyard
the spoil of the poor is in
your houses and then listen to this
what what mean you that you beat
my people to pieces
why are you doing this this is within
the covenant community
the leaders are such oppressors
that god characterizes it as you beat my
people
to p pieces and grind
the faces of the poor says the lord god
of host so when i read this verse
it immediately brought to mind uh
something that the secular prophet i
call him the secular prophet
this is george orwell author of animal
farm
in 1984 and he was really trying to warn
what the future looked like and when i
read this verse what do
what do you mean that you beat my people
to pieces
and grind the faces of the poor and this
secular prophet
what he said was this he said
if you want a vision of the future
imagine a boot stamping on a human face
forever wow
wow if you want a vision of the future
so
so you want to know what the future
looks like he said
try to imagine this a boot
stamping on a human face forever
this was written i think he in the 1940s
he had vision he understood he
understood where the world was going
we don't understand we have no idea
we support causes that are going to

bring this about
and we don't understand the condition
called human nature
and pride
and this is this this is happening if
this can happen
within judah the people who have the
covenant
the everlasting covenant with god
if this can happen within judah what
hope
does the rest of israel have or the rest
of the world the gentile world have
if you want a vision of the future
imagine a boot stamping on a human face
forever now
imagine a jewish boot
stamping on a jewish face forever
unless and then i guess this is where we
would take exception to george orwell
yeah you're right to a point
but because you don't understand jehovah
of the armies
that he is coming to put an end to all
of this
then we can remove the forever we can
say
you know for a long time and intensely
for a three and a half year period
but then it's over thank god i mean what
i don't know how this man could really
face the day if he had no hope
for humanity we have a great hope for
humanity and it's in the scriptures
and so he says why do you beat my people
to pieces
and grind the faces of the poor so the
rich just keep getting richer
and the poor keep getting poorer this is
the human condition
says adonai yahuwah of hosts
of the armies moreover jehovah says
because the daughters of zion are
haughty

they're they're haughty he says this is
this is a condition
uh that these women have so
these women again if we're going back
into this ancient economy
they are haughty because of their men
that their men are rich their men have
done well and that has put them in a
position of authority and influence
and now they're taking advantage of that
position of authority
and influence he says
moreover says that says yahuwah so all
of this is going to happen now moreover
because the daughters of zion are
haughty
and walk with stretched forth necks
and wanton eyes walking and mincing as
they go
and making a tinkling with their feet
so you can just imagine the nature
of the jewelry and the way that certain
wealthy women could adorn themselves and
separate themselves from the poor
and attract attention hey everybody look
at me and again it sounds like we're
talking about
our modern nations but this again
is a vision concerning judah and
jerusalem and specifically
these are the daughters of zion the
daughters of zion
that it's speaking of although clearly
this curse of human nature
it affects us as well we can certainly
see it
in our world so he says here that
they're walking
and mincing as they go so there's some
sort of adornment
up on their feet they walk with
stretched forth necks and wanton eyes
they're just as alluring as they can be
walking and mincing as they go they

really want to attract attention
and making a tinkling with their feet
therefore adonai will smite with a scab
the crown of the head of the daughters
of zion
and jehovah will discover their secret
parts
so there's going to be a turn a change
of
fortune in that day
adonai will take away the bravery of
their tinkling ornaments about their
feet
and their calls and their round tires
like the moon so some sort of crescent
jewelry the chains and the bracelets and
the mufflers
so all of these we'd have to understand
how the ancient women dressed but
we get the sense the bonnets and the
ornaments of the legs so there's lots of
things lots of fashion
statements today we have our things
that you can look at somebody and see
there really well to do
because of these things that separate
them these symbols that separate them
from the poor
well they seem to have had in droves
human nature doesn't change
the bonnets and the ornaments of the
legs and the headbands and the tablets
and the earrings
the rings and nose jewels the changeable
suits of apparel
so they very very wealthy the economy
was doing
really well here really really well
and they could not foresee what was
coming
and as i said i keep saying we have been
taking our economy for granted
for decades and you know what's the
answer or the economy we're going to

shut down the economy
um we're going to completely shut it
down
and then what's the answer now that we
see the the the consequences of this
rash decision what's the answer not
open the economy and let people get back
to work and let them use their judgment
and the scripture says if you're sick
you quarantine yourself
you don't quarantine the healthy you
quarantine the sick
no we must quarantine the healthy and
lock everybody up against the disease
that is shown
as a 99.9 recovery rate if you're under
70
and in reasonable health so if you're a
reasonable
yeah go to work anybody else stay home
you're feeling ill stay home
but we don't understand what it means to
crash the economy
and so everybody has to stay home now
which is completely uh destroy the
economy
and then what's the answer oh just print
more money give people more money
and then they can go out and spend it
we're not really creating any value
and i think that's why we uh the
previous administration
a businessman who understood the economy
and that's it's like if i hire a
salesperson
i don't have to go through every detail
of your of your life you're hired to do
a job
and if you can do that job great as long
as you're doing it ethically
but there was such outrage over every
aspect
of the previous president and god wants
a fair balance a fair

you know balanced scale so with whatever
measures we were judging the previous
president with and whatever standard of
scrutiny
we held him up to then i think god would
expect that we do the same
with the current president it can't be
that he can do whatever he wants and
nobody holds into account
when there was such scrutiny of the
previous administration
but now we're going to see
what does it mean when we just keep
trying to crush the virus
there's no such thing as crushing a
virus you can crush an economy
and you can crush people when you crush
the economy you can crush small business
and these small businesses will probably
never come back you're you're not
essential
and if these small businesses don't come
back that's how you that's how you know
when you go into a recession
jobs are created primarily by small
business but if you've completely
eliminated the ability
for the entrepreneur to get a small
business off the ground
well then you've what you've done is
you've eliminated the ability
for the economy to recover when it
crashes
and then you will completely wipe out
the middle class
and so brethren we need to get ready for
this this is going to be ugly
it's going to be epic so we need to get
ready
get our house in order but get our heads
in order
to say you to the righteous it shall be
well with them
so whatever happens let us be

established
in the truth of god in the word of god
and in the vision
that god gives us so i like george
orwell's perception
and foresight but i disagree with the
word forever
it's not forever christ is coming to put
an end to all of this and we we
are waiting and looking forward to his
appearance so we can withstand we can
we can face whatever because we know
he's coming for us
so this is going to be ugly
and be ready and all those people are
out there social justice and trying to
make this world
a better place i really fear for you
and i pray that you'll get into the word
of god
and understand that this world is not
going to be better
because of this pride in human nature
and this desire this ugly desire that
satan puts in humans to oppress
others only christ can put this to an
end
and so we look forward to that so if we
were trying to look forward to a better
world
it's not coming until christ comes
so all of this abundance they had a
phenomenal economy
and they had changeable suits of apparel
and the mantles and the whimples and the
crisping
pins i was looking i don't understand
what this is these just seem to be um
uh clothing and and luxury purses
things like that the glasses and the
fine linen
when i was in the middle east you would
see these women with their um
black um hijab

and and uh the whole covering and
but the purses and the shoes you could
see how wealthy they were
and and sometimes some of the the
coverings they they were embroidered in
such a way that you could see okay these
people have money
but certainly by their handbags that's
how you knew
and so it's just every culture has a way
of demonstrating their affluence
so that everybody knows how affluent
they are the glasses and the fine linen
and the hoods and the veils and it shall
come to pass
that instead of sweet smell there shall
be
stink they had no idea this was coming
just as we have no idea what's coming
but there's going to be a replacement
this economy where we take everything
for granted
it doesn't go on forever especially if
you if the root cause
of abundance is not there and the root
cause
of jerusalem's abundance when you go
back to king david
it was his obedience to god and it was
the torah
but they've abandoned all of that and
they should have known okay of course
if we look into the covenant of course
curses are coming but they couldn't see
it
and when we look at our society and how
it's abandoned
all moral standards of course curses are
coming
of course and it shall come to pass that
instead of sweet smell there shall be
stink
and instead of a girdle a rent so it's
going to be torn clothing

and instead of well-set hair baldness
they could not see this coming they were
just living in abundance and thought it
would go on and on
and instead of a stomacher of girding of
sackcloth
so these beautiful clothes are going to
be replaced with morning
morning garments and burning
instead of beauty this is
scary and they had no idea was coming
your men shall fall by the sword
and you're mighty in the war so he's
going to take away the mighty man it
looks like through
this military conquest they're going to
lose whenever there's war
men are lost there's an imbalance
typically it's the men that go to war
and they get wiped out
and her gates shall lament
and mourn and she being desolate
shall sit upon the ground and there's a
whole purpose to this brethren this is
god is not just acting emotionally
um in a completely erratic way
he's acting according to the covenant
he didn't want this to come upon his
people these were his covenant people
but he put conditions in the covenant to
say if you break the covenant
this is how it's going to break you but
you can never leave this covenant this
is a forever covenant
so all of these curse clauses
are going to be activated to drive you
back
to the covenant and that's that's the
work of the prophets
when we think prophets we think
foretelling the future but that way
really wasn't their work
their work was driving the nation the
leaders of the nation

and the people of the nation back to the covenant
and that often involved for telling the future
to say if you don't turn back to the covenant this is what's going to happen
if you do turn to the covenant this is what will happen
so i think when we think of prophets we need to think of that function
of the prophet is to turn the people back to the covenant
and to warn them about their unfaithfulness
to the covenant so here we see this desolation
and we're going to as we go through the scroll we're going to see that this is ultimately
what daniel saw the abomination that makes jerusalem desolate
and this is going to be like the final time and it's going to be so intense but it will never happen again
but here she is going to be desolate and she being desolate shall sit upon the ground so she was so
haughty had so much abundance so i thought that this would go on forever
but no curses were waiting in the wings and in that day seven women
shall take hold of one man saying we will eat our own bread and wear our own apparel
only let us be called by your name to take away our reproach so again
when the nation goes to war has to defend itself the men have to go
and they just get wiped out and now the ratio
hopefully you have you know every man there's a woman
and that's the balanced society but now there's seven women

to every man and these women now cannot
be married
uh they cannot have children they cannot
have a family and in this culture
if you were barren if you couldn't have
children if you were not married
that meant that you're not really
blessed by god
and you're not um you don't have a you
don't have a standing
in the community or in the eternal
name of the community so it really
mattered to these women
that they would be married that they
would have a children
and now all the men are gone and so they
are just full of shame
now they have and in fact the women
earlier when we saw that abundance and
the jewelry and the
the uh the haughtiness it was really
because of their
they married well the men were doing
well
now all of that is gone the men are gone
and they're saying to whoever's left
we'll we'll look at you don't have to
look after us we'll look after ourselves
just just let us be called by your name
in that day so we just keep hearing in
that day in that day
and ultimately this is the pointing to
the future
our future in that day
shall the branch of jehovah be beautiful
and glorious that is amazing
shall be beautiful and glorious and the
fruit
of the earth shall be excellent and
comely
for them that are escaped of israel
so constantly the prophets see this that
there's going to be so much devastation
there's going to be so much catastrophe

but then there's going to be a turning
and there's going to be beauty and
there's going to be glory
and israel shall be exalted with the
lord in that day
and so now in the midst of all of this
desolation
isaiah sees something beautiful
in that day shall the branch of jehovah
be beautiful
and glorious and the fruit of the earth
the fruit of the earth he says
shall be excellent and comely
for them that are escaped of israel
so there will be escapees there will be
survivors to all of this as much as
satan is going to stir up these nations
with a desire to completely wipe out
the covenant community god won't allow
that to happen that would make god a
liar
so there will be a a remnant
and there will be those that escape and
this just takes us right back to moises
and it shall come to pass when all these
things are com come
upon you deuteronomy 30 and kind of my
go-to scripture
that describes all the prophecies all
the prophecies are rooted
right here it shall come to pass as
moises when all these things are come
upon you the blessing and the curse
yeah you'll do well for a while but the
cur you won't be faithful you won't
remain faithful so then you're going to
activate the curse clauses
so both of these will come upon you
which i've set before you
and you shall call them to mind among
the nations all the nations
where jehovah your god has driven you
so ultimately the unfaithfulness comes
after the blessings

so it's not that you end with the
blessing you you are blessed but then
you
defect and then you're cursed and then
you're scattered according to the
covenant
clauses and then he says
this will it'll come to mind what's
happened what has befallen you you'll
want to answer is why and somebody will
be there to tell you why
and then when you come to your senses
you shall return unto jehovah your god
and shall obey his voice according to
all that i command you this day you will
actually return to the covenant
you and your children with all your
heart
and with all your soul this hasn't
happened yet
but this is the purpose of all of this
devastation all of this catastrophe
this desolation it's not without purpose
it's designed to create this response
that then jehovah your god will end your
captivity
and have compassion upon you and will
return and gather you from all the
nations
where jehovah your god has scattered you
if
any of yours be driven out to the
outmost parts of heaven
you know what god is faithful to the
covenant from there
yo your god will gather you and from
there
will he fetch you he hasn't forgotten
you he hasn't forgotten the covenant
and yohawa your god will bring you into
the land which your fathers possessed
that's why isaiah's prophecy is very
specific
it's concerning judah and jerusalem

because it concerns the land and it's
how this
covenant agreement ultimately gets
fulfilled
and if we are too quick to abandon the
fact that the prophecy is about judah
and jerusalem then we miss all of this
and we don't understand how these
prophecies ultimately get fulfilled
so isaiah was very very clear this was a
vision that he cons
he received concerning judah and
jerusalem
so they're going to be brought back into
the land
which their fathers possessed this is
very specific real estate
and you shall possess it and he will do
you good
and multiply you above your father so
this has not been fulfilled yet
we're looking for a time when the
descendants of
jacob are in the promised land and
they're
serving god with all of their heart
and all of their soul them and their
children
and it comes after the devastation
that they they are going these are the
survivors
of the desolation and the devastation
and as a result of the trauma that
they've been through
they turn their hearts entirely over to
god
and there's this beautiful relationship
now between this community
and their god it hasn't happened yet but
it's coming but first the devastation
and jehovah your god will circumcise
your heart this is spiritual language
this is conversion this hasn't happened
yet but it's going to happen

and the heart of your seed to love
yehovah your god with
all your heart and with all your soul
that you may live and you know what
brethren we have an opportunity in our
preaching of the gospel
to be a part of this this is god's
heart's desire
this is what he wants and he's called us
his first fruits
to help him with this harvest
in zechariah 14 and verse 16
he says and it shall come to pass
that everyone that is left of all the
nations which came against jerusalem so
there's going to be survivors within the
tribe of judah and the tribes of israel
but there's also going to be survivors
among the gentiles this is god is going
to arise to shake terribly the earth
the jew first but also the gentile and
there's going to be great suffering
everywhere but there's going to be
survivors coming out of all of this
and now so we looked at the survivors in
judah
what's going to happen with them and
israel
and now we look at the survivors among
the gentiles
and it shall come to pass that everyone
that is left of all the nations which
came against jerusalem
shall even go up from year to year to
worship the king
jehovah of hosts and to keep
the feast of tabernacles so that's the
future
and it shall be that whoso will not come
up
of all the families of the earth unto
jesus remember there was such hostility
from all these nations against jerusalem
and some of it is still going to carry

over
okay if they will not come up
to jerusalem to worship the king
jehovah of hosts even upon them
shall be no rain so god first withholds
the bread and the water
from jerusalem to drive her to
repentance
and then he uses these gentile nations
to further drive her
so so he he destroys the economy
uh uh destroys the military might
and then drives the the the remnant
to their needs to repentance
and then once that repentance is there
he then drives the gentiles to
repentance
and now the whole world should be in a
state of repentance
but the hostility and the hatred toward
the covenant people were so intense
that there's still a hangover of the
hatred
but god's going to deal with that he
says there'll be no rain upon them
and if the family of egypt go not up and
come not
that have no rain there shall be the
plague god is serious
wherewith jehovah will smite the heathen
that come not up to keep the feast of
tabernacles
so these physical jews and the rest of
israel
will be in the promised land functioning
their whole heart will be turned to god
and they'll be functioning as a kingdom
of priests on the earth
and then the gentile nations are going
to be expected
to come to mount zion
to learn the law of god from these
physical priests
we will be reigning the first fruits

will be reigning with christ spiritual
beings
overseeing this whole operation this is
the word of god
this shall be the punishment of egypt
and the punishment of all nations
that come not up to keep the feast of
tabernacles the whole world will be
compliant
in that day shall there be upon the
bells of the horses
holiness unto jehovah so you're gonna
we're gonna
see human beings coming into jerusalem
and even the horses are going to be
decorated in a way
that the whole city is pure holiness
and points to the glory of god and even
on the horses
it'll say the bells on the horses will
say holiness
unto jehovah so it's a very different
than uh this is
the the jerusalem where the women in
jerusalem
they're the ones walking around with
tinkling bells to draw attraction to
themselves
well after this intense punishment
they're no longer full of themselves
now they're full of the lord and they're
pointing the gentile nations the way it
was originally
intended to the lord and even the horses
when you come into jerusalem you see the
horses and you hear the bells
it's going to say holiness unto jehovah
and the pots in jehovah's house
shall be like bowls before the altar yes
every pot in jerusalem and in judah
shall be holiness unto jehovah of hosts
every everything everything's just it's
a city full of holiness
and all day that sacrifice shall come

and take of them
and seeth therein and in that day
there shall be no more the canaanite in
the house of the lord of hosts of
jehovah of hosts
this won't happen anymore so that means
that
when jerusalem's surrounded by armies
when it is being overrun when the
abomination that makes desolate
that in the end time the canaanite
is going to be all over jerusalem with
all kinds of claims that this
is their land but god took it from
canaan
and gave it to david gave it to
jerusalem gave it to
judah and ended the people of israel
but they're now making their claim
and today we will call these people the
palestinians they're now making their
claim
that this is their land and they're all
over it and setting up their holy
shrines to idolatry
and god is saying like that will never
happen again you'll never see these
people
in jerusalem with flexing their muscle
and their idolatry no they have to
repent
and be converted and come as
converts in the house of jehovah of
hosts
back to isaiah so that was uh moises as
well as zechariah
all seeing the same thing that isaiah is
seeing here
so isaiah says now and it shall come to
pass
that he that is left in zion so we saw
there's going to be survivors now
in in zion so isaiah is now seeing the
survivors

he that is left in zion and he that
remains in jerusalem this is going to be
intense this is the abomination that
makes desolate
but a desolation is not a complete
wiping out
there there is there's a remnant there
and those that remnant that survives
shall be called holy every one
that is written among the living in
jerusalem
so those that repent will be called holy
and they will be among the living in
jerusalem when adonai shall have washed
away the filth
of the daughters of zion so all of this
filth that we saw this arrogance
it doesn't end the covenant
their wickedness notwithstanding
it doesn't end the covenant the covenant
is a forever covenant the covenant
cannot be ended
it can be activated different clauses
can be activated
but it cannot be it's a forever covenant
and so one way or another god is going
to
fulfill everything that he has said
and specifically it's going to be done
through
the lamb that is worthy and the
conquering lion of the tribe of judah
he is going to bring to pass the
fulfillment
of all the terms and conditions in the
covenant
and he's the only one that's worthy to
do that
and so this wickedness that isaiah has
described for
us in zion
it's going to be dealt with and it's
going to be resolved
and he says here in verse 4 of chapter 4

when the lord shall have washed away the
filth
of the daughters of zion and shall have
purged
the blood of jerusalem from the midst
thereof by the spirit of judgment
and by the spirit of burning that's what
that's what all this catastrophe was
about
it was a purging process and so that's
why he says here
in chapter 1 we had read in verse 18
come now
and let us reason together you're you
are sodom you are gamora you are wicked
but come now and let us reason together
says yehovah though your sins be as
scarlet they're pretty intense
you are sodom and gomorrah but that
being the case
they shall be as white as snow so
there's some sort of a process
that goes from scarlet red sin
to snow white this is what isaiah sees
the process that makes this possible
though they be read like crimson they
shall be
as well as as white as wool
this this is what isaiah sees in verse
27
he says zion shall be redeemed with
judgment
and her converts and we saw that the
root of that
word actually means her returnees those
that return
the faithful remnant that comes back her
returnees will be redeemed with
righteousness
that's what's happening here verse 5
and jehovah will create upon every
dwelling place of mount zion
and upon her assemblies a cloud and
smoke by day

and the shining of a flaming fire by
night for upon
all the glory shall be a defense this
god is now going to come and defend
think zechariah 12.
he's going to come and defend these
people
and this should sound very familiar it
should remind us of exodus 13
verse 21 and jehovah went before them by
day in a pillar of cloud
and to lead them the way and by night in
a pillar of fire
to give them light to go by day and
night these are his people
and he's very jealous over them and he's
very protective of them
and we need to be very very careful of
any kind of replacement theology
that just kicks all of this to the curb
and says yeah you know god was
interested in the past but now he's
interested in me
no no no he's recruited us to help him
carry out this covenant and the zeal of
the lord
is our zeal we are excited
by what excites god and to be a part of
this process in in making all of this
happen
there could be no greater honor he says
in exodus 19 and verse 6
and you shall be unto me a kingdom of
priests and he meant it
he meant it yes we are first fruits of
this process and we sort of
uh jump to the front of the line head up
the whole process
but ultimately this is going to happen
for this covenant community
and you shall be unto me a kingdom of
priests and a holy nation
these are the words which you shall
speak unto the children of israel and

this is what isaiah is seeing
taking place and this is what zechariah
saw
back to isaiah as we just finished here
verse six chapter four verse six
and there shall be a tabernacle for a
shadow
in the daytime from the heat he's going
to protect his people the faithful
remnant that repents that hears the
gospel message
that realizes that they have done wrong
by god and that
deeply deeply repents and turns to him
just as mooses prophesied
in deuteronomy 30. and now there's going
to be a tabernacle for a shadow in the
daytime from the heat
and for a place of refuge and for a
cover
covered from the storm and from rain
and that should put us in mind when we
were in psalms psalm 91 will end here
he that dwells in the secret place of
the most high
shall abide under the shadow of the
almighty
and so brethren we should be very very
excited
by these prophecies and what isaiah this
vision that isaiah saw
and understand our part in all of this
that the zeal of the lord
is our zeal and he's a
you