

23-Isaiah-61-Transcript

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well welcome brethren to another
wednesday night bible study uh this book
of isaiah has been a wonderful book for
us to study together and what we want to
do is make sure that we are studying
line upon line and so we have actually
gone through the entire book 66 chapters
very big book isaiah is one of the major
prophets he's considered the head
prophet
uh in the in the hebrew bible and we've
gone through it line up online
no new content tonight
hopefully you have some comments or some
questions that you'd like to make
we will be monitoring the chat and i say
we
because i have my co-pastor murray
palmateer uh joining us pastor murray
are you there
i am good evening how are you
good good great to see you welcome so uh
welcome to tonight's q and a
why don't i just say a quick prayer and
then we can talk together and interact
with the audience in terms of any
comments or questions they may have i
know that when we do these live q and
a's often the questions are kind of slow
to roll in so we'll try to be patient
but you know if there's not a lot of
questions there aren't a lot of
questions and we'll we might have a
short evening i'll i'll say a word of
prayer and then we can we can begin
our loving heavenly father we bow before
your holy throne your throne of majesty
your throne of mercy
we want to give you thanks lord

this truly is a chaotic
and a very evil world a world that's uh
giving itself over
to dark forces
and in all of this father
there but for your grace do we go
because we can easily fall victim to
this darkness
but by your grace
by the sacrifice of christ your son our
savior
we are able to walk in light
the light of your word which we thank
you so much for this book of wonderful
book of isaiah
we've gone through it patiently father
we thank you for this mercy that we
would have a desire to understand this
book
we praise you father we pray that you'll
bless tonight's
fellowship and conversation and
discussion around the book and we pray
father that you'll continue to bless us
and deepen our understanding of your
will
and your word and that you help us to
conform our minds to the mind of jesus
christ in whose name we pray amen
so let me bring pastor murray back up
and uh so first of all customer maybe
i'll just ask you
as we wait for some questions or
comments to roll in and i think we
actually did have a comment so maybe
you'll be able to share that one with us
um just your thoughts comments uh any
maybe insights that you have
around the book of isaiah this wonderful
prophet
yeah it was uh certainly um
a long study i believe we started back
at the beginning of october right after
the feast in 2018

uh obviously took some time in between
uh with uh some other other books um we
had started uh
it was interesting to me though that you
had started with the second isaiah and
um again as we recap
um the book is is divided into two parts
one through 39
and then 40 through 66 which as you've
uh discussed many times uh it's really a
mirror of the of these scriptures 66
books in in the bible 39 in the old
27 in the new
and really is is
a a microcosm of these scriptures at the
whole which is why
uh and your introductory comments
tonight you mentioned that he's the
chief prophet
um a couple of other items that come to
mind as we as we just sort of begin
tonight
is uh
everything comes through
uh sorry i just got a message here that
cgi church online isn't it isn't
allowing anyone to post comments there
um
so i'm not sure what's going on there
uh but one of uh
jd
had put a comment in there but uh
okay so hopefully
cgi.church.online
you can pop over to facebook
or to youtube
and post your comments or questions
there uh thanks pastor murray so you
were saying there that uh first of all
the division of the book it really is a
mini bible
and um and then you were just about to
say something else
yeah so in addition to him being the

chief prophet i found one item that comes to mind that was really impactful for me was everything drives he drives off of moses in deuteronomy and a lot of what he takes is he just takes what moses prophesied and expands upon that first for israel in the pre-exiled days then into judah and then obviously moving forward in the the second isaiah pointing to the true messiah which was jesus christ that's a great comment i think that a lot of us or a lot of pastors a lot of christian movements get into trouble with prophecy when they try to make it say what it's not saying and i think the way that we can remain true to what the prophets are teaching is to ground ourselves in the torah because the torah is the foundation and and the prophets that are coming along are simply amplifying what moses laid down in torah so i think that's a great reminder and then when we get it you know we get into a book like revelation if we don't have any foundation in torah or the prophets then we get into the book of revelation and without any foundation we can make that book mean all kinds of weird and wacky things yeah absolutely and we don't even have to wait as long as revelation we can uh we can get off on a tangent in isaiah 2 which i recall we we talked about uh when we were at the beginning of the first half of isaiah and then obviously uh more so during the feast of tabernacles we've talked about that and isaiah 2

mirrors with micah 2 which is obviously them being contemporaries and you have gone through that during the micah study as well right on very very good um you had mentioned i think that we did get one question or comment um and i wonder if that you can share that in the meantime i'll just go ahead and check and see what we have in the chat yeah so as you're doing that i will lie the comment came from a sister in the united states and she makes the following statement that she was studying the mark of the beast and it says that whoever has the mark of the beast receives the wrath of god and those who overcome the beast uh specifically 144 000 are with christ uh she continues to say that it's important and revelations has come out from my people that you receive not her plagues um and then she uh references the false babylon system sunday and pagan false man-made holidays uh in connection to the mark of the beast and then asks if we could have a bible study on this topic great so i think you actually began this this series that we're going through right now in our sabbath services maybe you can just comment on that yeah so um we on october 30th the sabbath of october 30th uh i had a message entitled to the battle for our devotion and uh in that sermon uh um the gist of the sermon was too often the battle is is portrayed as a battle between god

and our story between god and satan and
and that's the battle but really the
battle that satan puts before isn't
whether we choose him or satan it's
whether we choose god or ourselves
um
it it uh
who who would choose apart from the very
few
that depraved yeah who would choose to
who would choose to worship satan uh but
as human beings it's much easier to uh
choose to serve ourselves and we walk
through a few biblical examples there we
ended the sermon by talking about the
reason why it's so important
is when it comes time to understand the
mark of the beast and as we work up to
the mark of the beast
it is all about the choosing
choosing god versus choosing to satisfy
your own desires wants and that really
allowed you to kick off a two-part at
least a two-part we had part one last
week we're going to continue with part
two this week
right and so so hopefully um the sister
who raised that that question or comment
could join us uh this sabbath and if you
did miss pastor murray's sermon um
you know always like the
the battle for our devotion
uh sorry
go ahead sorry no no i was just gonna
say yeah and then yours was a heads up
heads up yeah part one so look up the
battle of the battle for your devotion
and then uh heads up and then we'll have
heads up part two
this sabbath which is going to focus uh
primarily on the mark of the beast so
that will be great and just again very
subtle
but what the point of the battle for our

devotion as pastor murray was saying
is it's not this battle between god and
satan satan is not so foolish as to say
hey worship me instead of god i'm evil
instead what he does is he pretends he's
not there

and he presents this choice very subtle
between god or ourselves

and the way the brain is wired we tend
to prioritize ourselves so if you can
watch that the battle for our devotion
and then i continue actually pastor
murray ended hinting at or pointing to
the mark of the beast and then i pick
that up with heads up and i'll continue
god willing this sabbath i want to just
go to the chat uh pastor murray we did
have a lot of hellos yeah we do we do
have a couple

uh and i can just show you a couple
so i see one the first one that i see
here

is by our brother allen wolfskill and he
says would you please speak more on
isaiah 61 and verse 2

and i'll just go ahead and put that up
and then also who is melchizedek
so isaiah 61 and verse 2 well verses 1
and 2

he says here the spirit of the lord god
is upon me and this is the passage that
christ actually read when the scroll of
isaiah was handed to him and he began
his ministry with this passage

the spirit of the lord god is upon me
because the lord has anointed me to
preach good things to the meek he has
sent me to bind up the brokenhearted to
proclaim liberty to the captives
and the opening of the prison to them
that are bound

to proclaim the acceptable year of the
lord and the day of vengeance of our god
to comfort all that more so he just

wanted us to comment particularly on
61 verse 2. did you want to comment on
that pastor murray do you want me to
comment
i can kick it off and then um you can
jump in uh what's interesting is when
you go to luke and you see the example
of christ reading from the scroll of
isaiah
that he ends uh with to proclaim the
acceptable year of the lord it doesn't
continue and uh what we talked about
both in luke and then when you were in
second isaiah is really this really
points to the two parts of his ministry
um when he came initially as a lamb
to do all of those positive uh all of
those
seemingly what we would call positive uh
uplifting things that he did
um
and when he come when he returns he's
going to return uh
due to all of the sin that is in the
world by his people
and uh and will come more as a lion
rather than as a lamb full of wrath as
the lion of judah
and uh one item that you have pointed
out that maybe i can ask you to comment
on is these is the danger in misunder
misrepresenting
which christ came which which
characteristics of christ came first and
who and what characteristics of christ
are going to come and the danger that
that that conveys and we see that
portrayed here uh in isaiah 61 with the
full the full explanation of who christ
was and then in luke 4 where he uh
with three or four where he
uh just initially just just uh skips
over or omits or stops before the day of
the vengeance of our god awesome and

thank you so much for pointing us back
to luke 4 i think we really cannot
comment on isaiah 61 and verse 2 without
going back to luke 4 and seeing how
christ himself handled this passage
and in terms of yes the the potential
for us to be misdirected or perhaps as
as elders or teachers to misdirect
by
by just presenting this image of christ
as the lamb
so he came as the lamb of god and and
very peaceful and then self-sacrificial
and that's christ that is truly christ
but if that's all we present to the
brethren
we're in danger of misleading the
brethren in fact many brethren
when they hear of the destruction that
christ is bringing to this earth they
don't recognize christ they don't know
who this is they've they're not they're
not acquainted with this christ
so christ is
as severe
as he is merciful
and he came as that merciful lamb of god
to redeem israel and through israel all
mankind but he's returning as the
conquering lion of the tribe of judah
and in the same way that the jews they
were looking for the conquering line of
the tribe of judah to restore
justice to israel and put down israel's
enemies that's who they were looking for
based on prophecy so when the lamb came
they didn't recognize him they didn't
know who is this this is not who we're
looking for and i think we're in danger
of the same
challenge but in reverse
that we are now looking for the lamb
when it's the conquering lion who's
returning

and and many christians unfortunately do not have the fear of god that we should have we take god for granted we're complacent we think he's going to forgive everything when in fact when we read prophecy carefully he's coming to crush and we need this passover we need when he returns his wrath passes over us and and this is critical and here as well this day of vengeance that he's bringing and this comfort that he's bringing this goes right into the earlier comment around the mark of the beast that as we study the mark of the beast in the book of revelation repeatedly at least twice we see the john speaking of the patience of the saints the reason the saints can be patient and get through this terrible time of tribulation this very dark hour the reason the saints can get through this is we understand the conquering lion of the tribe of judah is coming and he's coming to destroy these those who kill with the sword are going to be killed with the sword and it's this understanding of the conquering line of the tribe of judah coming in wrath this is where the patience comes from we can get through the beast because we realize okay do your worst christ is coming so so very very very good appreciate that um there's another comment here are you good with that one um pastor murray yeah yeah just a one quick comment that it certainly certainly adds another layer to the the uh gospel uh passage that

talks about christ's warning that many will come in his name saying he is the christ and will deceive money um incredible incredible how how the preaching of christ could be decided wow and it's not that we're preaching christ in a completely totally uh deliberately deceptive way it's we think what we're doing is right but we're missing all these christ scriptures that point to who's returning and again all of this mercy that we preach it's all true simultaneously so is his severity he is as severe as he is merciful and we need to present the whole character of christ and and this evil that we see in this world he is wrathful very very good a longer comment here let me just uh stop sharing the scripture and this one says thank you so much for this study i'd ask for more commentary regarding the duality of application for example chapter one is regarding vision for judah however seems to apply to us now as nations and individuals and that's from our brother jeffrey flanac so thanks very much brother jeffrey for your question but also for your support you're just constantly there fully engaged and very supportive and we really appreciate you so um here is a question pastor murray about duality of application that there's a sort of an immediate local application but there's also a longer term maybe even broader application

yeah just uh quickly and then i'll get
off you to comment um
first
but uh
i think that's where the line upon line
comes in and it allows us uh um
understanding that we can't take
anything out of context or just pick and
choose versus um understanding that
prophecy can be dual uh it can be
applicable it can be already fulfilled
prophecy it can be prophecy to come or
it could be both and could have could
have a dual application as our brother
jeffrey makes a comment there i i think
really uh and that's one thing that
has developed over the three years since
we started isaiah is the the concept of
lineup online has now turned into
a a a
an academy that that these studies have
gone through so just just the high level
first before i ask you before i
offer you to comment is really it's the
the importance of of understanding
everything in context so that we can
understand when it is dual when it is
not and why it's important
right on very very good and i think when
we have we as we have studied isaiah
his language is often an indication that
this is not just about a local
application so he's talking about a
local situation and then suddenly he's
talking in these grandiose terms that
are clearly end time and clearly
messianic
and clearly of a final solution to to
the world's evil and to to judah and
israel's evil so it's obvious that
although there's an immediate obligation
let's say nebuchadnezzar that no this is
this is broader there's obviously
another

future broader application
in terms of chapter one
where clearly this is a vision that he
received regarding judah and jerusalem
but even in chapter one he speaks of all
israel
and and throughout the
scroll
there are there are prophecies regarding
israel not just judah so there there is
that
and then there's also the fact that
judah has been dispersed and if you look
at a powerful nation
like america
there's actually a lot of jews who are
in leadership roles as jews have been
dispersed whatever nation they go to
i think because of their emphasis on on
education
on work ethic on supporting one another
they can start at the bottom
and everybody can complain about
oppression and how terrible the nation
is they can start at the bottom
and within two decades they're at the
top
and so they come to america at the
bottom
and within a few decades they're in the
seats of power the corridors of power
and so a lot of the policies and a lot
of the decisions that america is making
the the curses that america is bringing
upon herself are not just israelite
curses many of them are curses that
apply specifically to judah because
judah is actually heading many of these
many of these nations so i think that's
a way that we can be understanding again
to murray's point let's read line up
online uh through the context is this
local is it is it um
further on is it broader future is it

both
is it israel
is it judah exclusively is it
exclusively jerusalem we just have to
have this
line of online analysis
very very good thank you
something here pastor murray
that sermon was eye-opening gave me a
lot to think about my own struggles
that's from sister velma also another
very strong supporter very very
eye-opening so thank you for that i
don't know if there's anything you
wanted to comment more on that customer
no no just uh you know it's it's um
we've commented often about in
especially in the q and a's when we get
a chance to interact about how much
we've appreciated developing uh an
online congregation uh we're certainly
blessed by our own congregation but uh
the opportunity for us now an online
congregation has certainly been a
blessing and and uh that watching the
names they're they're regular names that
we've been uh
getting to know getting to know me very
well now so very good and again just to
emphasize this point for all of our
brethren who are listening here satan is
not going to come to you and say i'm
evil bow down and worship me
he's going to approach us the way he
approached eve
you're really important you're really
special you just need to be more special
and and that's how he seduces us and
it's amazing it's this is uh it's
actually quite frightening
how easily
christians can be seduced
and as times get tougher as we go
through the book of revelation which is

which we've already done it's in the archives
uh and we and we anticipate what is coming down the line and we see what's going on all around us
you know the the four years of the previous administration the 10 months to 11 months of disastrous months that we've all uh witnessed and how uh how uh
much more severe it could get the the
resisting the urge to satisfy ourselves or
and it's just so easy it is just yes it's like really
is that how easy it is to make christians fall
so we've got to be we've got to be really cognizant of this
great on the sound sabbath in europe in your part one uh you you
spent the bulk of part one talking about a concept called rationalization
and how um how
our preferred behavior uh can push us towards altering our belief systems so that we feel just justified in in behaving in such a way that previously we would we would have avoided
right on even to the point where we are abusing our brethren in christ and we justify it well this is why uh and christ is not going to tolerate that and your point about revelation as well it's in the archive and i think there's good helpful content there but the blessing is upon those who keep reading it's not that we read it once and put it down we have to keep reading it because

as the world around us changes we're
going to have better understanding of
these prophecies many of which we don't
fully understand today
so that that's really great
yeah and just before we leave that um um
as we're watching the world around us
and laws change
and being forced into certain behaviors
um
again the the this whole concept of
satan presenting our own interests and
our own preservation as as
as the key uh we see uh
a couple of the key concepts that the
world that the society is pushing is is
uh environmentalism so trying to
save the earth
and
as well is is the the vaccination and
the whole health issues that we're going
through right now so
yeah right on
just
just before we move on we did miss the
question uh from half of the back half
of brother allen
yeah
you did ask about not because of it yeah
yeah
remind us about that thank you very much
so that actually is in the archive
and so to make a long story short but
please uh study uh hebrews i believe
that is going to be in chapter
nine i think it is in the book of
hebrews
uh but or is it am i right
or is it it was the part of nine but it
it actually starts back around six seven
and then all the way up to nine so it's
covered quite quite a few studies
yeah so so if you can go through uh that
um our brother alan you'll appreciate

that we do deal with that uh very in a very detailed way uh long short of it is the melchizedek priesthood belongs to christ

and then this is the priesthood that when he returns he's going to reestablish in the earth so melchizedek is christ

thank you for that uh pastor murray we're coming down to just a comment from our brother reg

and he says heads up while on your knees exactly right and i think this as well just this comment here heads up while on your knees um this is the antidote this is the inoculation

against this

very thing that you warned us about in the battle for our devotion

that as long as we're on our knees and worshiping christ we're not going to put ourselves in front of christ and i'm very worried about this you know that those who are successful in this very dark hour that we're heading into the scriptures say

they loved not their lives unto the death

and i think that's exactly what you were pointing to in the battle for our devotion that our devotion is to christ it's the point where we're willing to give up our lives to ensure that christ is glorified that the record is set straight that he is

the the truth the life and the way and all of this blasphemy that's coming out of the antichrist or the antichrist we don't go along with it on pain of death uh and i think it's the exact opposite of putting ourselves first it's it's putting christ first so

very very good there is a comment here from another question from sister velma

can you explain what it means to spend
your money for that which is not bread
this is isaiah 55 and verse 2.

let me quickly bring up the scripture
isaiah 55 and verse 2.

i might suggest as you're bringing it up
start with verse one um

let's go to verse 1

where it says

ho everyone that thirsts come you to the
waters

and you that have no money come you buy
and eat yes come

buy wine and milk without money and
without price

why do you spend money for that which is
not bread

and your labor for that which satisfies
not

hearken diligently unto me

and eat you that which is good

and let your soul delight itself in

fatness and let me just hear one more

verse incline your ear and come unto me

here and your soul shall live and i will

make an everlasting covenant with you

even the sure mercies of david and here

uh the question is why are you spending

your money for that which is not bread

so bread obviously being the the staff

of life what what is going to uh support
life

and for some reason what these uh

covenant the covenant community is doing

here taking their money spending on

something that actually is not going to

support life this will certainly be in

the archive i'm not sure uh pastamer if

you wanted to just comment further on

this

yeah i think it uh um

obviously go back into the archives uh

but um really falls into you know

hinting at what we were just talking

about about what is most important and
and um
the
the physical uh bread is secondary
obviously we need we need uh bread
and physical assessments to live
but um
this again the second isaiah pointing to
christ
uh we can go into john and recall that
christ is the bread of life and come to
him uh for the living water so he is the
true sustenance and and that's where
that's where our focus and devotion
should be uh
you know uh christ in the gospel account
in matthew seven six or seven uh talks
about not being not uh cannot serve god
and man and mammon is is the is the
physical desires that we that we
um
that we focus on and that's really that
falls right off of
on the tail of uh storing up our
treasure in heaven and he says this is
actually i think by verse 3 what you're
saying
here come unto me here your soul shall
live and i will make an everlasting
covenant with you
excellent uh so thank you sister belma
a buckshot here let's see what our
brother buckshot says what do you think
of the books of enoch
joe i think jw
maybe
wishing you to do something on that so
what do i think of the book of enoch
i'll tell you what i think and then
customary if you can comment so it's not
in the canon so it's a great question by
buckshot
it's not in the canon so it's not
wholly inspired scripture

but it is text that is part of the
historical record

so

i think there there's gonna there's
helpful content in the book of enoch and
i i can't think of the scripture off the
top of my head it might be in jude where
uh the apostles actually point
to the this writing so it's not
something we can just completely dismiss
at the same time we need to be sensitive
to where it contradicts
inspired scripture so we don't treat it
we don't hold it on the same level of
scripture but neither do we completely
dismiss it especially if the apostles
are clearly uh speaking of it and
addressing it

your thoughts yeah i completely agree
with that yeah i completely agree with
with that sentiment um you know it falls
in line with some of the other
historical books that have fallen that
were not part of the canon like the
maccabees that there are some historical
uh

um

points in there that that that really
help uh
us understand some things but we they're
not scriptural that's right
you know

and the the other point too and i
haven't done a whole lot of study on
this part but uh i do recall uh that the
the book of enoch that the apostles were
referring to may or may not be the exact
form of what we have

now in the in the catholic bible or what
is the apocrypha

yeah so those are those books there's
some helpful content there but when it's
contradicting scripture we know that we
go by scripture i remember as a young

man uh when i was just coming to understand god uh i could read proverbs the prophet made sense i could read psalms and also i got the wisdom of sirach i really enjoyed the wisdom of sarah there's a lot of wisdom proverbial wisdom there but later i came to understand this is not holy inspired scripture although it is helpful and i think the book of enoch is in the same category here we see a comment from our brother john in dukkha it will interest you to hear that the whole vatican project is like dang and he is coming to destroy the vomit absolutely this is this uh this religious influence that is spread all over the world and uh clearly it is uh evil and antichrist and i think anybody even the catholics now are beginning to see their own pope yeah is a traitor to to scripture and to the understanding of the bible very very good uh let me just see their customer if you can check church online and see if there is anything coming through there uh yeah no there is not nothing there uh here's uh belinda where are we now with israel attacking syria so i guess where are we prophetically with the fact that israel is uh striking out at syria uh what we know is that the next thing what we need to be looking for and i really appreciate this question because often we can get so uh caught up sorry that was just a greeting from sister vida we'll go through the greetings afterwards uh so thank you actually there is a question there too so i'll go back to that uh so

uh where are we now with israel
attacking syria
so yes i appreciate the question because
christ told us when he was on earth
watch jerusalem
and and i think through the decades
certainly the time that i've been in the
church there's been more attention and
focus on north america specifically
america
than there has been on jerusalem when
christ did not say watch america he said
watch jerusalem so the fact that we now
see israel engaging in
you know increasing levels of
hostilities
and we see
nations supporting israel's enemies and
a growing anti-semitism
things are heating up
and and what we're looking for is
armies surrounding jerusalem and that's
going to give way to the abomination
that makes desolate so
you know we can't set dates
we can't say okay this is happening now
you know to watch out tomorrow but we
keep our eyes on this and certainly
hostilities are intensifying in the
middle east and specifically
against jerusalem
and to that point just real quickly uh
back in uh
isaiah 6
when isaiah volunteered to be the one
that god sent and asked that question or
how long
it points to that abomination of
desolation that we must
he and therefore those who follow him in
his
isaiah like work uh must continue until
until those times of desolation and i
think this whole um

pandemic
and the vaccination
rollout
which is really
i would say designed by
socialists
and it's a socialist agenda
and socialists are fundamentally
atheists
they don't believe in god and so
everything they do
they never consider god
and to think that israel the nation we
call israel today
is so immersed in this vaccine rollout
to force their whole population to be
vaccinated
it it speaks to a spirit and an attitude
of independence from god that they're
they are really adopting this atheistic
way of solving problems and so that i
think shows us the kind of attitude
that's going to go into to combat
with the enemies around and god christ
wants to take judah to this place where
they finally admit
nothing and no one can help them except
their messiah
we see a question here from our sister
vida from ghana greetings sister vida
is the present israel nation the true
jewish state and i think part of this
question at least i'm interpreting part
of this question i could be incorrect
but
certainly as a black man i've come
across my share
of other black men
who have tried to convince me
that we are the true jews
and that the jews that are in the nation
of israel today are false jews and they
have usurped our identity
i don't know if that's where the

question is coming from but i've
certainly heard my fair share of that
regardless
if the people who are in
the nation of that we call israel today
this tribe of judah
and specifically occupying jerusalem
if they are fake jews
if they're not the real jews
then there's a whole bunch of things
that have to happen really quickly let's
just say for example that the black race
is the true tribe of judah
well what we need to do now is we need
to hot-foot it over to jerusalem we need
to set up a government over in jerusalem
we need to then have hostility from all
the nations surrounding and we need to
turn our back on god and rely on
atheistic measures
so that god can take us into this pit of
misery and suffering so that it drives
us to repentance so as i say if if the
people who are not there now or sorry if
the people who are there now are not
true jews there's there's some fast
correction that has to take place in
terms of establishing a nation
so that christ has someone to punish
severely
and then to rescue
i don't know a customer if you wanted to
comment on this as well
yeah no i don't really have anything to
add to to your comments it's certainly
uh you know what we've studied in isaiah
supports that and uh
what you're saying
now that's not to say
there's no such thing as black jews
you know just the fact that solomon
slept with so many women and spread his
seed everywhere
then the defendants of judah can be

everywhere and can be in every race
but to say that the people in judah
today in israel today are fake jews
well there's just a lot of miraculous
things that will have to happen very
very quickly so that that nation can
come under the severe punishment of
christ and then the redemption of christ
thanks very much for the question uh so
let's see

here we see a comment so true pastor
that's how jesus recognized him through
peter wanting to die for him
uh that's from sister sophia i think we
you or i must have made a comment that
that relates to

uh so thank you for that

uh here is a sister belinda

when do you think the third temple will
be built so the kind of the assumption
there is that there will be a physical
third temple that will be built if we
look at the prophecies in ezekiel and so
if we accept that there will be a
physical third temple then when do we
think that will be built personally i
believe there will be a physical third
temple there are many prophecies that
cannot be properly fulfilled unless
there is a third temple

when will it be built

i i don't know but i believe that
something's going to happen politically
where the answer is let the jews build
their temple so i don't know um customer
if you have a an opinion on this
yeah uh um i think just in reaction to
the question i i agree with the
with uh your comments that it certainly
uh

looks like there will be one built uh
the when i think is is out of our
above our pay grade and that which
shouldn't really be something that we

are focused on other than
to continue to watch and watch as as
world events unfold understand
understand the the torah and then
understand prophets like isaiah and all
of those who go through isaiah so that
we can we can uh follow the timeline and
see god fulfilling fulfilling those
things

very very good uh question here
that we've seen

versions of this question several times
come up in our worship service uh this
is clinton someone please help me feed
my kids please they have gone without
food from yesterday until now i have no
hope of what to feed them i'm really
begging

my paypal account is and there's a
paypal account okay i want to address
this with as much compassion as i can
and in this situation of not being able
to eat having difficulty feeding kids
it's something that is going to increase
more and more of us

as as we see

socialists

have an agenda to destroy specifically
the western economies and as they
destroy the western economies those in
third world or developing nations are
going to suffer even more so this is
something that's going to become
increasingly widespread

this is the power of congregations

this is why it's important to be a
member of a congregation

that that that people can know who you
are

and and we in the christian ethic
do not believe in just handing out
charity freely

that request for charity must be
evaluated

and people must demonstrate that they've
done everything they can
because the scriptures make it clear
those who do not work should not eat
so so as the male in the family we have
this moral obligation to do any work we
can
to feed our families
now when we fall short
rather than rely on state welfare
because once the state gives you welfare
they're going to control they're going
to take control of you
so we should assume welfare we want
nothing to do with the state if we can
help it
rather there is something called charity
christian charity and if we're if we're
in a congregation
and the brethren know us and know how
hard we're working to find work
and and then we're falling on hard times
the congregation can come together
and provide support so so i'm very sorry
um our brother clinton i don't know your
situation
this could be totally sincere it could
be a complete scam we don't know because
we don't know you and our heart goes out
to you if this is a true situation but
we can't just put money in a paypal
account when there are so many scammers
out there and we don't know
if we will be violating the instruction
that those who do not work should not
eat so so i apologize for
sounding perhaps harsh we want to be as
compassionate as we can but that
compassion is much easier when we know
our brethren that we are assembling
together and we know that a brother has
good work ethic and character and he's
fallen or she's fallen on hard times and
we can we can look after them

so
so i just want to say to our
and just be careful of these side of
requests because people are getting
ripped off all the time and those who do
know
this young this man is going to say
young man i don't know who he is but if
you do know him and you know his
situation and you can help help should
be local
yeah
very interesting comments that you make
and it
draws my mind to
the passage
in by paul
referencing widows and you know
throughout the scriptures we look after
the widows and the orphans but paul
himself said if a widow was not
productive during her productive years
um you should not receive any any
charities of the church so uh
even someone as uh that we all look up
to like the apostle paul
uh was was pretty adamant about that and
just in reference to uh
clinton's situation uh we do have uh cgi
does have a ministry in africa uh headed
up by robert onsondo and a bunch of
folks there so um
that would be the local way to to
uh seek help and that would offer uh the
african brother the african leadership
an opportunity to vet that request
very very good excellent so again if you
have trouble you can reach out to uh
info cgi.org and we can redirect your
request to someone who's local who can
better understand your situation a
comment here from jeffrey flannick
i'm always fascinated by hezekiah asking
for the dial of ahaz the sun

going backward as opposed to forward
similarly joshua's long day any archive
studies comments on these supernatural
events

so thanks for the question i don't know
if any studies where we've gone and gone
into it in depth but i believe it was it
wasn't last week it was the week before
where we did read this passage
and i believe it's in second kings or
it's in kings where we get the more
detail than what's in isaiah that god
actually gave him the choice and he said
well going forward is easy make it go
backward and so he made it go backward
because he really wanted to be reassured
that god really was going to help him
not sure customer if you wanted to
comment on this one as well

yeah no it's it as you mentioned it was
i believe it was last week it was uh the
beginning of isaiah 38 and then you
referenced back to kings and uh just
understanding any context that is where
um

god through isaiah told hezekiah to set
his house in order

for he shall die and not live and that's
that's really the context there how god
reveals himself to hezekiah

and then we see as we as you closed uh
we studied last week that uh um hezekiah
who was a good king and destroyed all of
the the uh uh

images and and and icons that that they
worshipped uh when he had that extra 15
years that was interesting i know this
isn't what uh

brother jeffrey refers to but you you we
finished off first is isaiah with that
comment from uh hezekiah that uh it was
interesting to me that he said you know
at least this bad stuff's not going to
happen in my time um and uh um it's it's

interesting we've heard similar comments
in uh um
that have bothered our young people
today where what where uh older brethren
you know i i'm i'm so happy i'm gonna be
in the grave and won't have to deal with
this stuff and our young brother has
said well how is that
yeah
how does that make us feel so um
that's kind of the end of the hezekiah
story uh uh that uh started last week
very very good and then similarly uh
brother jeffrey's referring to joshua's
long day and again i'm not aware of
anything in the archive there my neck
for a fascinating study
yeah we did do judges but we haven't
done that joshua right though
there is here from brother lee isaiah 26
20 and 21 and 27 one
are one paragraph in my bible
is this a tribulation
or day of the lord warning
so let us look up
those
verses
isaiah
2016 six
twenty
and twenty one
and twenty seven one
says come my people enter you into your
chambers and shut your doors about you
hide yourself as it were for a little
moment until the indignation be
overpassed
for behold the lord comes out of his
place
to punish the inhabitants of the earth
for their iniquity
the earth also shall disclose her blood
and shall no more cover her slain and i
just want to increase the context here

to see

yes so that's the last and then it goes straight into 27 verse 1.

in that day

the lord with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent even leviathan that crooked serpent and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea

and the question here is i'm not sure what version uh brotherly is using but all of this is one paragraph in his bible and is this the tribulation or day of the lord warning okay so the distinction between tribulation and day of the lord our tribulation being the wrath of satan

the day of the lord being the wrath of the lord and here if we begin in verse 20 he's saying come my people enter into your chambers and shut your doors around you hide yourself as it were for a moment until the indignation be overpassed and so this i think would be pointing to the indignation of the lord because the lord is coming out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity and the earth is going to disclose her blood this is christ who were just talking about earlier this is jesus christ christ is severe and if we're worshiping christ we need to know

all of his character not just the part that we like and that's convenient so he's going to disclose the blood of the earth and and the earth is no longer going to cover her slave and then the code word in that day

so this is really clearly pointing to the end time and the fact that leviathan is referenced

an image for satan the piercing serpent that crooked serpent and and this

overpower overwhelmingly powerful dragon
is going to be slain so so i would say
this is pointing to
the warning of the day of the lord
the saints have to go through the
tribulation and they love not their
lives unto the death
and so you know to your point earlier as
well pastor murray oh i'm glad i won't
be around to face this but you will be
around actually for the saints who truly
understand we want to be around
we're going to the holy spirit is going
to empower us and infuse us with such
scriptural confidence
that we will gladly give up our heads
as long as the praise of christ is on
our lips and we can die praising christ
and glorifying him and they love not
their lives to the death
and then this this wrath of god
will it'll pass over us you know blessed
are they who die in the name of the lord
from this point forward so either we
will die and his we will not face his
wrath that way or when his wrath is
unleashed we are not going to have to
face his wrath but we do have to go
through the wrath of satan and be
faithful to the end do you want to
comment on this one pastor murray
yeah i'll just add that the companion uh
scriptures here definitely point me to
uh the end of revelation revelation 18
19 20 uh that that talk about that and
the
the uh
um
putting away the the end of satan's
satan's uh rule and his influence and
then the special uh the special place
that the martyrs who died for christ
have that john saw revelation 20 for
sport

very very good very good uh question
here on
who will be the final beast to reign
over the earth according to the book of
revelation uh so thank you brother
demario
why don't you join us this sabbath and
this is something that i will comment on
on the sabbath
here is a comment from
brother john in dukkha
jews are scattered all over the world
but there is also a synagogue of satan
true no no disagreement there
another comment here
yeshua himself is black
uh-oh
just i would say be careful
so
be careful of human pride
and i don't know i'm not saying this is
the case here
but in my journey
i've seen people very passionate about
this
because it strokes their ego
they want jesus to be black because
they're black it's not that i'm hearing
white people say hey jesus is black i
don't hear chinese people saying jesus
is black the people who are saying jesus
is black are black
and it's very important to them that
their god is black
so let's be careful
because the way the scriptures
historically are are written and we
understand them
if jesus was black
in palestine
among the jews when they were trying to
find him go find the black guy he'd be
quite easy to spot
so

this the bible is a book about the
middle east the theater is the middle
east and all of these events take place
in the middle east
i would just be cautious about if we are
black
enforcing our or or enforcing
interpretations that just happen
conveniently
to support our ego
and so let's be be careful about that
yeah why is it vice versa
and here is brother alan i have been in
correspondence with christians and and
just by the way in the middle east by as
well we'll say this
you don't have blonde hair blue-eyed
people
in the middle east
so if i'm going to argue that abraham
had blonde hair and blue eyes that's a
very difficult argument to make
because in the middle east we don't see
in the heart of the middle east
anciently we don't see blonde hair blue
eyes
so let's get rid of the human ego
and let's just accept the fact that
there was a man called abraham
who pleased god and god covenanted with
him
and with his descendants
and these descendants have spread over
the world and there's been mutations and
and
you know different uh uh
um
jose say uh adaptations
and and
mixing with other races
but god follows the dna so there was a
man called abraham and there was a man
on earth
who was the messiah

who descended through judah
and mixed with the jews of the day and
it was hard to understand to identify
him because he looked so much like all
the other jews of the day

so

let's uh let's be careful there uh
brother allen comes back and says i have
been in correspondence with christians
who live in the christian quarter of the
city of tyre lebanon

could you share if tyre is relevant to
our future

wise

certainly lebanon all these cities in
the in the middle east that are in the
surrounding area uh do feature in
prophecy and that's again where as we
read the prophets we come to understand
the bible is a book about the middle
east so when we pose the question how
come america is not mentioned in the
bible

we can't conclude that oh it's not
mentioned because actually it is
mentioned

really the real conclusion we need to
come to is it's not mentioned because
the the focal point of the bible is
jerusalem

and the theater that it concerns itself
with is the promised land is the middle
east

and and lebanon is certainly if we study
scripture it's it's going to be one of
these nations that's going to be that's
going to be punished by god because of
its lead with the surrounding nations to
destroy jerusalem not sure pastor murray
if you wanted to comment on lebanon and
that there are christians who are of
course who are living there

uh just just comment on your comment um
that goes all the way back to and the

importance of of understanding
the deuteronomy and the torah here uh
and the focal point of jerusalem is is
as you stated the fact that god has set
aside special land for his people and
all the way back into deuteronomy
he um
has that as a focal point
and
as he gave that land to
uh his people that came out of egypt it
now has become and continues to be the
focal point
and
you know will will be likely the area
where new jersey comes down that's
that's my opinion uh but um um
yeah just just that that's what i would
uh tag on to your comments
very very good and i agree as well
uh comment here
so just a comment from our brother
robert
who says thank you brothers for doing
these programs and sharing the truth and
thank you raw brothers for joining us
each week we find your presence and your
following of these studies and messages
inspiring and encouraging so so thank
you so much
let's see uh our sister belinda asks the
question
what do we do when the pope enacts
sunday worship only well first of all
there's an assumption there that he will
do that that that's yet to be seen
in fact what we do see is the pope
abandoning all
catholic doctrine
and in in favor of environmentalism and
and one world religion where everybody
can just do what they like as long as
the environment is held sacred so we
need to see first of all that that may

or may not happen uh if it does happen
uh what do we do to your point uh pastor
murray your your uh sermon the battle
for our devotion
we continue to be devoted to the lord
and and we obey his commandments no
matter what they that sunday sunday
worship is going to be certainly won uh
that's one way of turning us away from
the commandments of god the commandments
of god go beyond the ten commandments
and i'll actually be touching on this
god willing on sabbath
there are many commandments of god
anytime god speaks in the imperative
that's the commandment
and and certainly one of the key
commandments he gives us is to love one
another and brethren because of what
pastor murray just brought out uh two
sabbaths ago
in the battle for our devotion satan
doesn't say worship me
he says prioritize yourself
and brethren prioritize themselves and
then attack
the body of christ
and persecute the body of christ and
that is disobeying the commandment of
god
and the beast the purpose of the beast
is to make war with the saints and so
when you do not love the saints when you
persecute the saints you are showing
allegiance and that you're ready you're
ready to make allegiance with the beast
you're ready to be deceived and join
forces with the beast because the
purpose of the beast is to persecute the
saints and if already you're persecuting
the saints you're easy target easy
pickings to be recruited to support the
beast so let's not get into this uh
focus

that
you know uh the mark of the beast is
sunday worship and as long as i'm not
worshiping on sunday i'm good
i can be
gossiping
destroying the character of my brethren
physically persecuting them
tearing their reputation down acting in
all kinds of dysfunctional ways but i
don't worship on sunday so i'll be in
the kingdom
no you're violating the commandment of
god which is to love one another so
let's not just get caught up on one
commandment
it is it is the commandments plural of
god
and i'm not sure uh pastor murray if you
wanted to
um
comment on that
yeah um just
adding on to what you've talked about
and what you just talked about the
importance again uh this really calls to
mind the importance of being part of a
healthy congregation um
loving learning to love one another
requires being in the presence of
others and learning to love them and um
you know not it not everybody in the
congress not everybody in that
congregation is easy to love but um
probably provide the illicit list of
many people that think i'm not easy to
love yeah
is is irrelevant uh learning to love uh
the brethren is the imperative
and uh really understanding why it's
always important to understand why and
it is really pointing to these difficult
times that fly in the future uh when we
will need each other and uh when when uh

satan is acting and unleashing his his
anger against the church um there are
you know we've lived a pretty easy we've
had a really easy go here for the last
uh
x number of decades
um
in in the church but there are uh
examples from around the world of uh
groups of devout uh followers that have
gone underground that look after each
other um
and
you know that really points to to being
part of a healthy congregation
um
and learning to love one another
very very good
and
here just uh john in dukkha
is making a statement that uh
isaiah 27 1 elohim used this scroll to
warn me
about roman sunday worship yeah very
good because roman the roman empire is
antichrist
the roman empire is one of the beasts
mentioned
in revelation so absolutely we need to
be aware of that
let's say hear the wrath yeah very good
[Music]
and one comment here
to allan wolfkill if you understood the
faith once i'll deliver to the saints
you two would know the answer that's how
the apostles could condemn and predict
false prophet
okay so comment there i know there was a
question that came in as well
just recalling this now around
hezekiah
and it was
to do with last week

when
uh hezekiah was granted mercy
and you actually referred to it earlier
and in that time of mercy
he made a drastic mistake
and that was to share everything with
the babylonians
and then when the wrath was pronounced
as you had mentioned pastor murray he
said well at least it's not in my day
and the question was well
what's so wrong
with him
sharing
what he had how god had blessed him why
was that so wrong to incur
such a significant
punishment or penalty so with that
i think it's really helpful
so first of all we know that
god is true and god is right
and we also know from the
passage that you had mentioned pastor
murray that there is a flaw in
hezekiah's character
as as special as he was as one of the
faithful kings of judah and and the
reform that he put in place he's still a
human being and i think isaiah positions
this story at the end of first isaiah to
show us that no this is not the messiah
you really cannot count on human beings
we need to look beyond
every human to the messiah
but he went in and he showed
everything to these visiting babylonians
and for that this severe judgment came
down upon him
and i just did a search here
and we'll just share second kings
25
and what we see here
is
this is now when when the prophecy is

being fulfilled
and in the in the fifth month on the
seventh day of the month which is the
nineteenth year of king nebuchadnezzar
king of babylon came nibuzard zaradan
captain of the guard a servant of the
king of babylon
unto jerusalem
exactly as prophesied and he burned the
house of the lord
and the king's house
and all the houses of jerusalem
and every great man's house burnt he
with fire
and all the army of the chaldees that
were with the captain of the guard broke
down the walls of jerusalem round about
now the rest of the people that were
left in the city in the fugitives that
fell away to the king of babylon with
the remnant of multitude that nebu
zaradan
the captain of the guard carried away so
what we see here and what i want to
focus on
is he burnt the house of the lord
and i think this is really the answer or
part of the answer to the question
why was it so wrong for nebuchadnezzar
to share how he was blessed with these
visiting babylonians what's so wrong
with that well i think the whole theme
through
the book of isaiah first isaiah
is who are you going to trust
and repeatedly
man turns to himself
or man turns to other men when christ is
right there saying trust me
i'm your god trust me
and here at the end when these very
important dignitaries come from from
babylon
as a king hezekiah he's now wanting to

form alliances that's much of what kings do when they marry their daughters off to other nations they're forming alliances that's what solomon was all about with forming these alliances and so clearly hezekiah is is flattered by these visiting dignitaries and wants to offer friendship and alliances to them even to the point of sharing with them the treasure in the house of god which is sacred which has to do with holy worship probably there were jews that hadn't even seen these treasures and he showed them everything and they went back and made a full report to their king and so when the king came he knew exactly what to target and what to wipe out and what to what and what to steal so i think it has to do with the the violation of that which is sacred i'm not sure customer if you wanted to to comment on this as well uh yeah um you know a lot a lot of uh as we go through these things um items that stick out to me the importance of them really point to to how it affects us and how that affects our understanding behavior today and just just adding to what what you've said uh this goes back to the the comments you made about the gentleman um uh wanting uh donations to this paypal account just haphazardly it's important that we protect um our uh the blessings that god give us god gives us as in in this case hezekiah um was only interested in himself and and we can see that in how god's reaction to him and what often seems

good
um on the surface
becomes when you dig when you dig just
dig down just a little bit we find out
the the true the true
uh meanings behind it or the true true
intent behind these sorts of things and
why it's important to vet these things
and in hezekiah's case um um
absence of context
it's hard to understand what he did what
was so wrong here but um
um
god knows what's in his heart similar to
the uh what we find in acts when the
striking down of uh ananias and sapphira
certainly didn't understand what was so
what was so wrong on the surface until
you you dig a little deeper
right on very good i think we have time
for one last question here
and it's from sister belinda again
isn't the persecution of the church
part of sunday worship
historically it certainly has been
that those faithful christians faithful
sabbath keepers who would not
observe sunday and continue to observe
sabbath were horrendously persecuted
absolutely 100
but the persecution of the church is not
exclusive to sunday worship
all of these churches that we read about
in revelation two and three
when john says you know there one beast
is there's another yet coming
all of these churches that he wrote to
and that he was warning and
communicating with
they were all wiped out
by an empire
that not only wiped them out but wiped
out everybody that worshipped on sunday
as well you worship on saturday you

worship on sunday all of them were
completely destroyed
and they they couldn't care less about
sunday worship and they actually wiped
out all of those churches very
ruthlessly
so we mustn't get into this uh paradigm
that says the only persecution that will
come upon us is going to come upon us
from sunday worshipers
when historically that has been true
but what has also been true
is
this this
arabian uh just complete flood that came
out of arabia and completely bathed the
middle east in blood
to the point today when you talk to
anybody on the street and say what's the
religion of the middle east
the last thing you'll hear is
christianity
and and yet that that should have been
the first thing of course christianity
came out of the middle east and all
these nations in the middle east and
north africa
mina middle east and north africa they
were all christian this was the heart of
christianity and today if you stop
anybody and say what's the religion in
the middle east and north africa islam
and so it wasn't sunday worship that
brought that persecution so let's just
be careful of getting into this paradigm
that says the only people that will
persecute us
are going to be roman catholics
enforcing sunday i'm not sure pastor
murray if you wanted to comment on that
yeah sure uh you know look around uh
over the last uh year or so here uh
you've got uh the uh
arthur pavlovsky from calgary uh you've

got the uh church down in elmer ontario
uh quite close to the london area uh
um sunday keeping uh
congregations that have been thoroughly
uh persecuted for their stance on on the
the health care issues that we're facing
these days and the vaccine closing down
of churches in response to that uh
they've been far more persecuted than
than any sabbatarian group these days
that i know of so yeah i completely
agree uh we historically that's been the
case
but uh certainly not something that we
can uh
if we if we have that as our only focal
point we're gonna miss some other things
that we're supposed to watch
right on very very good uh pastor murray
uh deeply appreciate you
and just uh just our relationship your
support through the years your insight
into the scriptures certainly appreciate
all the brethren a wonderful questions
wonderful comments and and we must
always remember
we are the body of christ
it doesn't mean that we are just uh
these robots this cult where we must all
think exactly the same things
different parts of the body are going to
be able to see different things
understand different things and we need
to come together in a spirit of love in
a pursuit of truth and iron sharpens
iron and as these prophecies unfold
uh if we're true to the scripture and
we're watching and studying and praying
uh god is gonna reveal to us a more full
understanding any final comments brother
before we we sign off
uh just uh you know i thank you back to
yourself for um all the hard work that
you do uh putting together these studies

uh all of the the uh sacrifice that you
make uh just personally uh that have
gone into this and sort of streamlining
and uh spearheading was the word i was
looking for the the lineup online study
uh certainly has uh uh brought in a a
lot of uh support from around not just
our local congregations but from around
the world uh and uh certainly thank you
as well thank you as well for for uh
your leadership here praise god
wonderful jesus christ is lord brethren
thank you so much for your engagement
the wonderful questions and comments uh
god willing please join us on sabbath
and we look forward to talking with you
again uh good night pastor murray good
night brethren god bless
good night pastor
so
you