

An Attempt To Listen To God

The Book of The Prophet Isaiah  
Key Words and Phrases

Part 2

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Ofttimes when an individual is newly saved they ask someone: “What is the best book to read first?” The normal answer is “the gospel of John”. Others would say any of the gospels, some would perhaps say Romans, but few would say Isaiah. Yet, when as a new convert, Augustine asked Ambrose which of the best of the sacred books was best to be studied. The answer was “Isaiah”. There is no other Old Testament books that focus so much on the grace of God, redemption, and righteous judgment. Isaiah has been called by several names: “The gospel according to Isaiah”, “The fifth Evangelist”, and “The prophet of redemption”.

**Key Words**

1) Salvation

Scripture	Reference	
“Day of salvation”	ch. 12:3	Only found here and in 2 Cor. 6:2
“God of thy salvation”	ch. 17:10	Only found here
“Wells of salvation”	ch. 12:3	Only found here
“We will rejoice in His salvation”	ch. 25:9	Only here but in Psa. 20:5 is the expression “in thy salvation”.
“Strength of salvation”	ch. 33:6	Only found here
“Everlasting salvation”	ch. 45:17	Only found here
“Salvation of our God”	ch. 52:10	Here and Psa. 98:3
“Published peace . . . bringeth salvation”	ch. 52:7	Only here and similar wording in Nah. 1:15
“His arm brought salvation”	ch. 59:16	Only found here
“Helmet of salvation”	ch. 59:17	Only found here and Eph. 6:17
“Garments of salvation”	ch. 61:10	Only found here
“Comfort”	ch. 22:4	Eight occurrences in Isaiah, and 54 references elsewhere.

**Key Phrases**

1) Phrases with the word “burden”:

Scripture	Reference	
“Thou hast broken the yoke of his burden”	ch. 9:4	Only here but in Psa. 3:7 “broken the teeth”; Jer. 28:13, “broken the yokes of wood”
“His burden shall be taken away”	ch. 10:27	Only found here
“The burden of Babylon”	ch. 13:1	Only found here

Scripture	Reference	
“The burden of Moab”	ch. 15:1	Only found here
“The burden of Damascus”	ch. 17:1	Only found here
“The burden of Egypt”	ch. 19:1	Only found here
“The burden of the desert of the sea”	ch. 21:1	Only found here
“The burden of Dumah”	ch. 21:11	Only found here
“The burden upon Arabia”	ch. 21:13	Only found here
“The burden of the valley of vision”	ch. 22:1	Only found here
“The burden of Tyre”	ch. 23:1	Only found here
“The burden of the beasts of the south”	ch. 30:6	Only found here

2) The Holy Spirit: (ch. 11:2; 32:15)

3) The clause “I will”

This expression is found in 114 verses, but not all of them are declarations of divine sovereignty (ch. 1:15; 13:11). Some are the words of men (ch. 7:12; 8:17), others of Satan typified (ch. 14:14). Some of the delightful ones are:

Scripture	Reference	
“I will restore thy judges as at the first”	ch. 1:26	Only found here
“I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place”	ch. 22:23	Only found here
“Fear not, I will help thee”	ch. 41:13-14	Here and in Ruth 3:11 but there it is as “fear not, I will”
“I will pour water on him that is thirsty”	ch. 44:3	Only found here. The clause “I will pour” occurs 12 other times, most often as “I will pour out” in reference to the Holy Spirit.
“I will make the place of my feet glorious”	ch. 60:13	Only found here
“I will extend peace like a river”	ch. 66:12	Only found here

4) The clause “the day”

Scripture	Reference	
“The day of the Lord”	ch. 2:12; 13:6, 9	Only these references in Isaiah. This expression and “the day of the Lord’s” is found in 23 other references. In ch. 34:8 it reads: “The day of the Lord’s vengeance”
“The day of His fierce anger”	ch. 13:13	Only found here, and in Lam. 1:12
“The day that the Lord will give thee rest”	ch. 14:3	While the wording “the day that the Lord” it occurs in 9 verses, this is the only reference with the words: “I will give thee rest”.
“That day”	These are the references in Isaiah but not all of these refer to the future day of judgment and the reader will need to discern where they belong either in the historical, prophetic or both) (ch. 17:4, 7, 9; 19:16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24; 20:6; 22:12, 20, 25; 23:15) (The expression “the day” occurs in 368 verses	

5) Other key phrases:

Scripture	Reference	
“The whole earth is full of His glory”	ch. 6:3	Only found here but in ch. 14:7 “the whole earth is at rest”; and “The joy of the whole earth” (Psa. 48:2)
“Provoked the Holy One of Israel”	ch. 1:4	Only found here but the clause “The holy One” occurs in 40 verses.
“Highway”	ch. 7:3	The word occurs 7 times in Isaiah, and 8 times in other places
“Zion”	ch. 1:8	Found in 47 verses in Isaiah and 107 times elsewhere: as a “Sion” it occurs in 9 verses
“Pangs of a woman”	ch. 21:3	Only found here
“The mouth of the Lord hath spoken”	ch. 1:20; 40:5; 58:14	Also Jer. 9:12
“The mighty One of Israel”	ch. 1:24; ch. 30:29	Only found in these 2 verses
“The mighty One of Jacob”	ch. 49:26 ch. 60:16	Only found in these 2 verses
“Jacob”	ch. 2:3	Occurs 40 times in Isaiah and 306 times elsewhere
“Redeemer”	ch. 41:14	Occurs 13 times in Isaiah and 6 times elsewhere

Scripture	Reference	
“Redeemed”	ch. 1:27	Occurs 13 times in Isaiah and 48 times elsewhere

**Key Verses:**

- a) “I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me . . . Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider . . . they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward” (ch. 1:2-4)
- b) “Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass, and as I have purposed, so it shall stand . . . For the Lord of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul it? and His hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back?” (ch. 14:24, 27)
- c) “Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, He shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high” (ch. 52:13)
- d) “I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come, and see my glory” (ch. 66:18)

**Key Truths:**

The millennium and the coming King are closely related themes.

- a) The background.
  - i) Ever since the Lord told Satan that the seed of the woman would crush his head (Gen. 3), it has been his desire to rule this world without God. He had tried to ascend to the heights of the heaven and rule by displacing God, but it failed. Now seeing men totally devoted to God, he has to come in and break the fellowship.

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**May God grant us good understanding as He, by His Holy Spirit, deigns to guide us into all truth.  
John 16:13**

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