

The Fate of Arrogance

Isaiah 13-24

Main Idea

God will reign down punishment on the neighboring nations of Judah as well as the whole earth because of its pride and arrogance to the things of God. Within that punishment, though, God still gives hope to the remnant that believes.

Overview

I. God will Judge the Glory of Man

* These points/Scriptures are being referenced in keeping with the sermon that was preached in order to give representation to the entirety of the passage

A. Chapter 13.1-11:

1. Vss. 6 & 9: This “Day of the Lord” is a day where Judgment will come on Babylon and eventually the whole world for the pomp, pride, and arrogance of the evil and sinfulness of the nations
 - a. We see the same thing, for instance in Chapter 13.19
2. 19.11: The “wisest” counselors of counselors in Egypt are called stupid
3. 20: Isaiah is to walk around naked for 3 years as a testimony against Egypt that they would be shamed for having trusted themselves instead of the Lord
4. Chapter 21.16: The glory of Kedar will come to an end
5. Chapter 22.17-19: The Lord will judge/punishment Jerusalem for its pride in its position
6. Chapter 23.9, 15: The Lord will judge/punish Tyre which was a great and wealthy city of its day due to its pompous pride

B. Isaiah 22.12-14: The Lord judges Jerusalem for despising the call for repentance in favor of indulgence

1. Their atonement will be their own death (not Christ’s)

II. Be Confident that Justice will be Served in the End

A. Isaiah 13.17 references how the Lord will use the Medes to judge the great empire of Babylon and in 539 BC this very thing happened

1. This gives us confidence that God will eventually serve the injustices of the world with justice
 - a. We see that this was the way in which the Psalmist concludes and we see that this is the way Jesus believed as well in 1 Peter 1.21-23
 - b. Christ warned us that difficulty would be present in Matthew 24.4-14, but the end would come where Justice would ultimately be served

III. Hope in and look to the King and His Kingdom

A. Speaking to the people of Moab the Lord says through Isaiah 16.4-5 that a king will come that is from the tent of David who will judge rightly and do righteousness in steadfast love...this points us to Christ:

1. God provided numerous points of hope throughout these passages of judgment
2. With promises like Matthew 16.18 we can be confident that Christ and His Kingdom will

endure no matter what may come, therefore we should look there not to the things of man
but to the things that endure forever to stabilize and guide us