

Isaiah – Desire of Nations – Discussion Questions - Lesson 12

1. **Sabbath Isaiah 59; 60; 61.** Is Isaiah clear about salvation, or do we need the New Testament?
2. How are our iniquities being barriers between us and God?
3. How were people saved before the death and resurrection of Christ?
4. How close to the doctrine of “original sin” does the indictment in 1-8 come? Why is it a false doctrine?
5. **The Effects of Sin Isaiah 59 Gen 3:8** Can you name three major effects of sin? How does effect affect us?
6. Is it any wonder that God was not happy with the way things were going in Judah?
7. Can we find what we need to know about salvation in the Old Testament?
8. Is there really a time when God chooses to ignore our prayers? What kind of circumstances lead to that result?
9. **Who Is Forgiven? Jer. 31:34; Rom. 3:9–24, 26; 4:14; 5:5; 6; Jam 2:18, 26** How is forgiveness delivered?
10. Who has received and continues to receive forgiveness by having faith in Jesus?
11. How does **James 2:18** state the real issue of being saved?
12. Is it too late for good works, or obedience to the law, to redeem anyone? Why do some ministers continue that argument then?
13. **Universal Appeal Isa. 60:1-3; 56:3-8; 59:20** What is the universal appeal to all of us? Do we lose sight of God’s power with that appeal?
14. Has there ever been a time when all the nations of the world were attracted to Jerusalem, that is, to the righteousness of the people who lived there?
15. Has there ever been a time when the Jews have welcomed Gentiles into their sacred services?
16. What about the Seventh-day Adventist Church and its congregations in our day?
17. **“The Year of the Lord’s Favor” Isa 61:1-11; 42:1-7; 58; Lev 25; Luke 4** What happened during the Jubilee year?
18. Is it clear from Isa 61 who was being referred to when Christ mentioned this chapter in **Luke 4**?
19. How was this fulfilled in Jesus’ ministry?
20. What are some practical ways we can do the things mentioned in Isa 61:1-2 we can do as well?
21. **“The Day of Vengeance of Our God” Matt 24; Mark 13; Luke 21; Joel 2:31; Mal 4:5; Dan 2:44-45; Matt 5:39; 8:12; 1Thess 5:18; 2 Thess 1:8; Rev 19** what does God mean when He mentions the day of vengeance of the Lord?”
22. Can a loving God promise vengeance as well? Why would a God of love ever promise vengeance on His enemies?
23. Isaiah 60 presents a picture of a time which has still not yet happened in our world. Why is that important?