

## **God Times V.24. Isaiah bible study & trivia & more.**

You Are Not Alone You Are Amazing.com, is a Nonprofit Faith based charity, engaged in alleviating social & spiritual decay, in our communities. We do this by reaching out to the lost, lonely, suffering individuals e.g. seniors, veterans, sick, addicted, imprisoned etal. as we work to provide a renewed sense of belonging, through a new positive mindset of hope, love & faith, via some free social & spiritual memory tools, for all individuals & groups. We are in the field of sharing truth, love, faith & hope & need the help of all who can share these pages of love, with family, friends & neighbors & all.

God Times is a Faith based, social, memory enhancement tool for Seniors, Veterans & disabled individuals, as well as all individuals looking for a daily lift in heart, mind & spirit, from some true friends through Christ. We hope to assist all people, including Christians & non-Christians alike, in realizing that we are never truly alone, regardless of what our lying thoughts, beliefs & feelings tell us.

We are all navigating through this overly prideful broken world together, while keeping faith, patience & hope alive for all, including those who have entrusted their spirit to an eternal loving Father, through Christ, as well as those who exercise their right to dismiss God & hold onto other personal beliefs, as we all have the right to be loved, respected & cared about & for, regardless of individual or societal knowledge bases of learned beliefs, that seem to lack the empathy that once made us a strong nation & family of loving, caring, God filled, God trusting people.

We must love all, regardless of life, religious & political beliefs, that we all differ on. Free will gives us the right to think & be different, while still being friends. You have the right to personal beliefs, just as I have mine & at the end of the day, it's not our jobs to judge each other, as life can be lived in peace with friends who think differently, dismissing those who think that one way, their way, is the only way?

Let's respect each other's right to personal beliefs, while enjoying some social time & maybe learning some important truths together, as we leave judgements up to the One, who has already filled that position & needs no help from us, lest we be judged, as we judge others.

We cannot know if today will be hard, or not, but we can make sure that it isn't bad, as hard & bad are not the same & we can give the bad to God, as He walks through the hard with us.

**Coming soon. Gather together for some weekly trivia & memory learning fun.**

## **Book of Isaiah**

God called His prophet Isaiah to declare to the nations of Judah & Israel, the coming condemnation, conviction, as well as a great hope.

The bible book of Isaiah, is the 1st book in the Major Prophets section & referred to as such, based on the major amount of material, not due to the message being more important than that of the minor prophets, just lengthier.

Isaiah's message to Israel & the Southern kingdom of Judah, was to call God's nation, of Judah, back to faithfulness, as he warned the people of their rebellion against God & the coming judgement. He also spoke on the coming of the Messiah, who would suffer, die & be risen to establish God's Kingdom, restoring His people. Isaiah speaks on the Northern & Southern Kingdoms sins & declares severe punishment is coming to them, as well as their neighboring nations.

Wash the self, make thyself clean; Remove the evil of your deeds from My sight & cease to do evil, Isa.1:16 & then the Lord will give you a sign, a virgin will be with child & bear a son who will be called Immanuel, Isa.7:14.

Speaking of the return & restoration after the exile from Babylon, Isaiah repeats God's claim, "there is no God beside Me" Isa. 44:6,8; 45:5,6,14,18,21. Isaiah also reiterates the great reward for all those who trust & obey God; Behold, I create new heavens & earth proclaims God, as well as hope for the afflicted & judgment for the evil, as the former things will not be remembered, or come to mind, Isa. 65:17.

Isaiah prophesied from 739–681 BC to a nation that had turned a deaf ear to the Lord. Instead of serving Him with humility & offering love to their neighbors, the nation of Judah offered meaningless sacrifices & committed injustices throughout the nation. The people of Judah turned their backs on God & alienated themselves from Him, which created the need for Isaiah's pronouncements of judgment in the hope that God's chosen people would return to Him.

The book of Isaiah gives a compelling prophetic showing of Jesus as it includes a picture of His life, via the prophecy of His coming, Isa. 40:3–5, His virgin birth, 7:14, His bringing of the good news, 61:1, His sacrificial death, 52:13–53:12 & His return, 60:2–3, to restore hope. Isaiah contains one of the clearest expressions of the gospel in the Old Testament. Even from the first chapter, it is clear that the people have turned away from God & failed in their responsibilities, Isaiah 1:2–17. Yet God

miraculously holds out hope to this unrepentant people, offering cleansing of sins & the blessing that comes with faith & obedience in Him, 1:18–20. Salvation lies only in God, the question being is whether or not we will accept His offer.

In addition to its gospel message, the book of Isaiah clearly shows the sins of God's people, dealing with others unjustly & offering hypocritical sacrifices to God. Do you see anything in your own life that might fall under treating others with unkindly.

A child will be born to us, a son will be given to us & the government will rest on His shoulders & His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David & over His kingdom, to establish it & to uphold it with justice & righteousness from then on & forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this, Isaiah 9:6-7. God's compassion & holiness form the core of this book, by Him turning from His righteous anger & leading them out of captivity, Isa. 14:1-2, as He will send a Messiah to redeem them once & for all, Isa. 7:14 & 9:6-7. This is a book of promises, the assurance of God's holiness carries with it conviction & discipline, but the promise of mercy & salvation brings hope.

To the nations watching the fall of Jerusalem, it looked like the natural ebb & flow of power & the end of the nation of Israel. They couldn't see God's hand guiding His people, even into exile. To the Babylonians, it looked like they were in control. As the stronger nation, they had bested Israel & Judah; they couldn't see the hedge God had placed around His people, or the limitations of their own power. To the people of Israel, it looked like God had abandoned them in His anger; they couldn't see Him preparing a road for their return journey, Isa. 11:16.

These prophecies may not be about us, but they reveal the certainty of God's absolute sovereignty. And He never changes. We can trust Him to chastise, lead & restore us with the same loving kindness He demonstrates in the book of Isaiah.

Isaiah 12:2, Surely God is my salvation; I will trust & not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD himself, is my strength & my defense; He has become my salvation.

Isaiah 30:18-19, the LORD longs to be gracious to you; He will rise up to show you compassion. For the LORD is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him

Isaiah 40:28-31, Do you not know that The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, His understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary & increases the power of the weak, those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run & not grow weary, they will walk & not be faint.

### **Can I prove that God is real, absolutely NOT.**

When asked if I could prove that God exists, all's I could say was, I know that He does; I have felt Him, seen Him, talked with Him, heard Him & witnessed His presence, signs & wonders, so many times, in so many things. So, I know that He is real & He is everything that He says He is. But my knowing Him, is not proof, for you, so I prayed, can I prove God is real? & the spirit told me "absolutely not"? Which stunned me & then was explained to me; why I could not prove this.

God says prove all things, 1Thes.5:21, as there are evil spirits working to keep us from His truth. He also says that those who are blinded & who doubt Him; cannot see, nor understand & will not turn to Him for truth, or healing, as He has blinded the unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel, 2Corin. 4:4.

So, God only reveals Himself, to those who truly have faith in their need for Him; forcing none to believe, as He wants to be loved for who He truly is; a loving Father, not because of what He can do.

So to prove God exists, it can be done, but no one can do it for you. Only God can prove Himself to you, when you truly seek Him. God says to test Him; So, tell Him that you don't believe & ask that if He is real, for Him to prove Himself to you & then be patient & prepare. Study the bible, pray, talk to believers & prepare, as He is waiting for all to call on Him. God wants your faith, love & trust, as He wants to give you an inner life change unlike anything you have ever imagined, as He loves & believes in you & says in Math. 7:7-11, ask & it shall be given, seek, & ye shall find, knock & it shall be opened. For whosoever asks, receives & he that seeks, finds & to him that knocks, it shall be opened.

For what man is there among you, if your son asks for bread, would you give him a stone? If ye then, which are evil, can give to your children good gifts, how much more shall your Father in heaven, give good things to them that ask Him?

So open your heart, listen & follow His plans for your life & come to see how real He truly is. Open your eyes, heart & mind, as God has revealed Himself in all Creation, in His living powerful eternal Word & in His Son; the Heavens proclaim His mighty works, Psalm 19:1.

The universe, where He hung the Sun, moon & stars, declares His glory. So, can I prove to you, that God is real, no but you can! just by asking, believing, watching & waiting, as the time is coming, when you will be glad that you joined with God, in spirit, love & truth. So call on Him today & prove for yourself that He does indeed exist & does love you & wants you in His eternal Kingdom, with Him.