ISAIAH 24

All Poetry

(Chapters 24 – 27 are called, "The Isaiah Apocalypse" - Speaking of the "End Times" of the world – Chapters 13-23 dealt with prophecies of individual nations – Here we see "The Burden" of the entire world - per Bro. Gileadi)

Verse 1

Behold!:

A The Lord maketh the earth empty,

(and) B The Lord maketh the earth waste.

A (He) turneth the earth upside down,

(and) B (He) scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

(The Lord will cleanse the earth of the wicked as one turns a bowl upside down and empties, or pours out, the filth. See 2 Kgs. 21:13)

Verse 2 (And)

It shall be:

As with the people, **So** with the priest.

As with the servant, **So** with the master.

As with the maid, **So** with the mistress.

As with the buyer, **So** with the seller.

As with the lender, **So** with the borrower.

As with the taker of usury, **So** with the giver of usury to him.

Verse 3

A The land shall be utterly emptied,

(and)

B The land shall be utterly spoiled, for the Lord hath spoken this word.

Verse 4

The earth mourneth and fadeth away,
The world languisheth and fadeth away; as do the
haughty people.

Verse 5		The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof:
		(Hebrew word "chanap" – "defile" means to pollute, profane or make Godless)
	(because)	They have transgressed the laws, They have changed the ordinance, They have broken the everlasting (ancient) covenant.
		(D&C 1: 15-17 - Latter-Days - Call of the Prophet Joseph & his work)
		(Word "ordinance" (Hebrew choq) comes from the root word "chaqaq", which means "to carve or engrave". God's ordinances are essentially carved in stone and are not meant to be changed - UI Pg. 215)
Verse 6	(Therefore) (and)	A The (covenant) curse hath devoured the earth, B They that dwell therein are desolate.
	(Therefore) (and)	A The inhabitants of the earth are burned, (1Qlsa-"diminished") B Few men are left.
Verse 7		The new wine mourneth, (withers) The vine languisheth; all the merry hearted do sigh.
Verse 8		The mirth of tabrets ceaseth, The noise of them that rejoice endeth. The joy of the harp ceaseth.

Verse 9 They shall not drink wine with a song,

Strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it.

(Cup of the wine of the Wrath of God – Rev. 14:10 – See Isa. 5 – Drinkers/Revelers)

Verse 10 The cities of confusion (towns of disorder) are broken down:

Every house is shut up, No man may come in.

Verse 11 **There is a crying for wine in the streets:**

All joy is darkened,

The mirth (vitality) of the land is gone.

Verse 12 In the city is left desolation,

(that)

(and) The gate is smitten with destruction.

Verse 13		When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people:
	(and)	It shall be as the shaking of an olive tree, It shall be as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done.
Verse 14	(Then)	They (those gleaned - the righteous) shall lift up their voice:
		They shall sing for the majesty of the Lord, They shall cry aloud from the sea.
Verse 15		Wherefore: (Because of this:)
	(and)	They will glorify the Lord in the fires (regions of sunrise), They will glorify the name of the Lord God of Israel in the isles of the sea.
Verse 16		From the uttermost part of the earth:
		We have heard songs, We have heard, "Glory to the righteous!"
		(See D&C 84: 98 - 102 for words to the song)
		But I said (thought):
		My leanness, My leanness; woe unto me! (I waste away, woe unto me!)
		(Isaiah feels deep sorrow and pain for the sins of his people – He can almost not bear it – As he felt for his own sins - Isa. 6:5)
	(yea)	The treacherous dealers (traitors) have dealt treacherously. The treacherous dealers (turncoats) have dealt very treacherously!
Verse 17		Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon thee, 0 inhabitant(s) of the earth, and it shall come to pass that:
Verse 18	(and)	He who fleeth from the noise of the fear, shall fall into the pit. He that cometh up out of the midst of the pit, shall be taken in the snare.

	(For) (and)	The windows from on high are open, The foundations of the earth do shake.
Verse 19		The earth is utterly broken down, The earth is clean dissolved, The earth is moved exceedingly.
Verse 20	(and)	The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, The earth shall be removed like a cottage (shanty),
	(and) (and)	The transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it, (The earth) shall fall and not rise up again.
Verse 21		And it shall come to pass in that day:
	(that)	The Lord shall punish the host of the high ones,
	(and)	that are on high, The Lord shall punish the kings of the earth, that are upon the earth.
Verse 22	(And)	They shall be gathered together as prisoners are gathered in the pit,
	(and)	They shall be shut up in the prison.
		(Spiritual gathering of Satan's followers – Satan's hosts in heaven and on earth – Spirit Prison like mentioned in Chapter 14 per Bro. Gileadi)
		And after many days shall they be visited and then:
Verse 23	(and)	The moon shall be confounded, The sun shall be ashamed.
		When the Lord of Hosts shall (manifest his) reign in Mount Zion and Jerusalem.
	(and)	When the Lord of Hosts shall (manifest his) glory before his ancients (elders).
		(The glory of the Lord will outshine even the moon and sun)
		(We see here that this chapters speaks of the wicked at the end of the earth. There will still be those of Zion who escape these calamities and there will still be the remnant that remains to be with the Lord and behold his glory. Per Bro. Gileadi)
		(This chapter describes the cosmic destruction of the earth. See also Isaiah 13)