

## ISAIAH 26

All Poetry



(This entire chapter is a song.)

Verse 1

**In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah:**

We have a strong city,  
Salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.

(The Lord himself shall be the fortification of the city – per Bro. Gileadi)

Verse 2

Open ye the gates,  
That the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in.

Verse 3

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee.  
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, who trusteth in thee.

Verse 4

(For in)

Trust ye in the Lord forever,  
The Lord Jehovah is (an) everlasting strength (rock).

Verse 5

(For)

**He bringeth down them that dwell on high** (elite inhabitants of the exalted city):

He layeth it low, even to the ground.  
He bringeth it down even to the dust.

Verse 6

**The foot shall tread it down:** (the exalted city)

The feet of the poor shall tread it down.  
The steps of the needy shall tread it down.

Verse 7

**A** The way of the just is uprightness; Thou, Most Upright, dost weigh the path of the just,

Verse 8

(Yea)

**A** In the way of thy judgments, O Lord, have we waited for thee.

(and)

**B** The desire of **our** soul is to thy name,  
**B** The desire of **our** soul is to the remembrance of thee.

Verse 9

(yea)

**B** With **my** soul have I desired thee in the night,  
**B** With **my** spirit within me will I seek thee early. (daybreak)

(For)

**A** When thy judgments are in the earth,  
**A** The inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

- Verse 10 (Yet) (Though) favour be shewed to the wicked,  
(They) will not learn righteousness.  
  
(Favour/Righteousness/Glory – Giving of Gospel/Covenants/Law through the Lord’s servants – per Bro. Gileadi)
- (and) In a land of uprightness (they – the wicked) will (remain perverse),  
In a land of uprightness (they) will not behold the majesty  
of the Lord.
- Verse 11 **Lord, when thy hand is lifted up, they will not see:**
- (but) They shall see and be ashamed for their envy at the people.  
(Let them perceive with dismay thy zeal for thy people.)  
(Yea) The fire of thine enemies shall devour *them*.
- Verse 12 (for) Lord, thou wilt ordain peace for us,  
Thou also hast wrought all our works in us.  
(Even all that we have accomplished thou hast done for us.)
- Verse 13 **O Lord, Our God:**
- (But) Other lords besides thee have had dominion over us, (wicked tyrants)  
By thee only will we make mention of (by) name.
- Verse 14 They are dead,  
They shall not live.  
  
They are deceased,  
They shall not rise. (up from the dust)
- (Therefore) Thou hast visited and destroyed them,  
(and) Thou hast made all their memory to perish.
- Verse 15 Thou hast increased the nation, O Lord, (and by enlarging it,) thou  
art glorified.  
Thou hast removed (enlarged – by taking away the borders of all nations) it far  
unto all the ends of the earth.  
  
(The King of Assyria took away all the borders of the nations and created a large empire – The  
Lord’s people will conquer this empire and create one large nation of Zion – Per Bro. Gileadi)
- Verse 16 Lord, in trouble have they visited thee,  
They poured out a prayer (silent prayers) when thy  
chastening was upon them.

Verse 17                    **Like** as a woman with child that draweth near the time of  
   her delivery, is in pain and crieth out in her pangs,  
**So** have we been in thy sight (presence), O Lord.

Verse 18                    We have been with child,  
   We have been in pain.

(neither)                    We have as it were brought forth wind,  
   We have not wrought any deliverance in the earth. (No baby born)  
  
(We have not wrought salvation in the earth.)  
(That) the inhabitants of the world (might not fall.)

(Here we see the lamentation over the lack of ability the righteous feel that they could not save the worldly – the righteous see that they might have been more valiant in doing missionary work – “might not fall” could also be translated, “might not be aborted” per Bro. Gileadi)

Verse 19                    (Yet) th(y) dead men shall live,  
   **Together with my dead body shall they arise.** (from the dust)

(“my dead body” - Reference to Isaiah or reference to Christ specifically. This verse is speaking about the righteous “thy dead” but also referencing the worldly above.)

**Awake and sing (for joy), ye that dwell in (the) dust:**

(for)                    Thy dew is as the dew (at sunrise),  
(and)                    The earth shall cast out the dead!

(All mankind will arise from the dead, the wicked and the righteous, at the dawn of the sunrise or Millennium – Many say that there is no reference to resurrection in the Old Testament, here is a clear example – Per Bro. Gileadi.)

Verse 20                    **Come my people:**

(and)                    Enter thou into thy chambers,  
   Shut thy doors about thee.

Hide thyself as it were for a little moment,  
Hide thyself until the indignation be overpast. (new Passover)

Verse 21                    **For behold, the Lord cometh out of his (dwelling) place to**  
   **punish the inhabitants of the earth for their**  
   **iniquity:**

(and)                    The earth shall disclose her blood, (the bloodshed upon it)  
   The earth shall no more cover her slain.