

ISAIAH 58

All Poetry

Verse 1

Cry aloud and spare not,
Lift up thy voice like a trumpet!

(and) Shew my people their transgressions,
(and) Shew the House of Jacob their sins.

Verse 2

(Yet) They seek me daily,
(and) They delight to know my ways.

(and) (They are) **as** a nation that did righteousness,
(They are) **as** a nation that forsook not the ordinance (precepts) of
their God.

They ask of me the ordinances of justice (correct ordinances),
They take delight in approaching to God.

Verse 3

“Wherefore have we fasted?”, say they, “And thou seest not?”
“Wherefore have we afflicted our soul (bodies), and thou takest
no knowledge?”

Behold:

In the day of your fast ye find pleasure, (pursue your own ends)
In the day of your fast ye exact all your labours. (you keep others working)

Verse 4

Behold:

Ye fast for strife and debate,
Ye fast to smite with the fist of wickedness.
(You fast amid strife and contention, striking out savagely with the fist.)

Ye shall not fast as ye do this day,
Ye shall not fast to make your voice to be heard on high.

Verse 5

Is it such a fast that I have chosen?:

A day for a man to afflict his soul?
A day for a man to bow down his head as a bulrush?
A day for a man to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?

(and) Wilt thou call this a fast?
Wilt thou call this an acceptable day to the Lord?

Verse 6

Is not this the fast that I have chosen?:

To loose the bands of wickedness?

To undo the heavy burdens?

(To release from wrongful bondage, to untie the harness of the yoke.)

(and)

To let the oppressed go free?

(and)

To break every yoke? (to abolish all forms of subjection)

Verse 7

(and that thou)

To deal thy bread to the hungry?

To bring the poor that are cast out to thy house?

(and)

When thou seest the naked, that thou cover him?

That thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh (kin)?

Verse 8

(and)

Then shall thy light break forth as the morning,

Then shall thine health (your healing) spring forth speedily.

(and)

Then shall thy righteousness go before thee,

(and)

Then shall the glory of the Lord be thy reward.

(Exodus Theme - Pillars of Cloud & Fire - Also, "Light"- Davidic King Imagery)

Verse 9

Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer,

Then shalt thou cry, and he shall say, "Here I am."

If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke (banish servitude),

If thou take away from the midst of thee the putting forth
of the finger and the speaking of vanity.

Verse 10

(And)

If thou draw out thy soul to the hungry,

(and)

If thou satisfy the afflicted soul.

(and)

Then shall thy light rise in obscurity,

Then shall thy darkness be as the noon day.

(Then shall your light dawn amid darkness, and your twilight become as the noonday.)

(Darkness = Apostasy, Dawning of the Millennial Reign - See Isaiah 60 - To live in the Sabbath of the Earth, according to Jewish tradition is to live in the Millennium)

Verse 11

(And)

Then shall the Lord guide thee continually:

(and)

The Lord shall satisfy thy soul in drought,

(and)

The Lord shall make fat thy bones (bring vigor to your limbs),

(and)

Thou shalt be like a watered garden,

(and)

Thou shalt be like a spring of water; whose waters fail not.

Verse 12 (And) They that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places,
Thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations.
(They who come out of you will rebuild the ancient ruins, you will restore the foundations of generations ago.)

(and) Thou shalt be called, "The repairer of the breach."
Thou shalt be called, "The restorer of paths to dwell in."
(You shall be called a rebuilder of fallen walls, a restorer of streets for resettlement.)

Verse 13 If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath,
If thou turn away from doing thy pleasure on my holy day.

If thou call the Sabbath a delight,
If thou call the Sabbath the holy day of the Lord.

If thou call the Sabbath the honorable day,
If thou call the Sabbath a day to honor him (the Lord).

Not doing thine own ways,
Nor finding thine own pleasure,
Nor speaking thine own words.

Verse 14 **Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord:**

(and) I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth,

(Deut. 32:13)

(and) I will cause thee to feed (be nourished) with the heritage of Jacob
thy father, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

(Many parallels to Isaiah Chapter 1 in this chapter – True Worship and Ministering)

(Covenant Blessings: 1. Leaving at the Exodus with the Righteous (vs. 8) 2. Inheritance of Land & Posterity (vs. 12) 3. Exaltation for yourselves and your posterity (vs. 14)