

ISAIAH

DEVOTIONAL GUIDE



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Isaiah 55:1-13

DAY ONE | UNDERSTAND THEIR STORY

As we seek to understand the story of the people of Israel in this text, we'll look at the 2 sets of imperatives (commands) that are given to them: one set today, and the other set tomorrow.

- Read Isaiah 55:1-5
 - What is the problem being confronted in these verses according to verse 2a?
 - What is the solution? (ie. What are they commanded to do in verses 1, 2b-5?)
 - WHO is supposed to come according to 55:1? (ie. What sort of person?)
 - Does this describe you?
 - WHAT results can they expect if they hear and listen according to 55:2b-5?

Pray in confession today, reflecting on Isaiah 55:1-5. Are you spending your money and labor on things that don't satisfy? Do you need to come to Jesus so that your soul may live? How is this text convicting you today?

DAY TWO | UNDERSTAND THEIR STORY

Yesterday the text instructed us to “come” and to “listen”, today we’ll look at the second set of imperatives.

- Read Isaiah 55:6-13
 - What is the problem being confronted in these verses according to verse 7?
 - What is the solution? (ie. What two things are they commanded to do in verse 6?)
 - What warning accompanies each command? (eg. what does the second half of each phrase add to the command at the start of each phrase)?
 - Why should the wicked and unrighteous seek the LORD and call upon him...
 - According to verse 7b?
 - According to verses 8-9?
 - According to verses 10-11?
 - According to verses 12-13?

Pray in Adoration today. Thank God that he has compassion on those who seek him, that his ways and thoughts are higher than ours, that his purposes shall be accomplished, and his people will be blessed.

DAY THREE | CONNECT TO HIS STORY

When Jesus was on earth, he made connections between Isaiah 55:1-5 and his ministry.

- Read Isaiah 55:1-3, and then read John 4:1-15, and John 7:37-38.
 - Who is Jesus offering water to in John 4:1-15?
 - What does Jesus say will happen to those who drink the water which he gives in John 4:1-15 and John 7:37-38?

Pray in Adoration today, thanking God that Jesus provides us with living water (eternal life / life with the Spirit).

DAY FOUR | CONNECT TO HIS STORY

As we continue reading the story we began yesterday, we see Jesus make another connection between Isaiah 55:1-13 and his ministry.

- Read Isaiah 55:4-5, and then read John 4:16-24
 - Isaiah 55:4-5 talks about other nations being joined to Israel. How do you see this idea reflected in Jesus' words in John 4:16-24?
 - How do Jesus' words to the Samaritan woman in John 4:16-24 echo the commands of Isaiah 55:6-7?

Pray in Confession today. Do you need to forsake your ways or your thoughts and return to the LORD?

DAY FIVE | APPLY TO OUR STORY

As the Bible ends, the apostle John doubles down on Isaiah 55, and the words of Jesus. These words form the final commands of the Bible.

- Read Revelation 21:1-8
 - How does this passage echo both the invitation and the warning found in Isaiah 55:1-7?
 - There are two different outcomes prescribed for different people in this text. Which heritage will be yours? How do you know?
- Read Revelation 22:17
 - Today, are you thirsty for salvation? Do you long to know and be together with your savior?

Pray today in Supplication. Ask God to help you to tell others the good news about Jesus!