ISAIAH – Chapter 27

"In That Day" – vs. 1, 2, 12

Vs. 1 In that day, refers to Isa. 26:21, the Lord will punish <u>Leviathan</u>. Ps. 74:13-15 (Egypt – a symbol of the world – a land of bondage, Josh. 2:10; 4:23; 5:1 – "dried up.") Job 3:8

God's judgment on the world, which is described as a seven-headed creature who was the cause of the world's chaotic state, will be slain at the end of the tribulation at Christ's second advent.

With His...sword (Isa. 66:16; Ezk. 38:18-23; Rev. 19:11-16), even Leviathan – all the nations of the world; the world system; empire built by Satan – the twisted serpent.

In that day, God will kill the dragon that lives in the sea. Rev. 13:1-9

Vs. 2 In that day – a vineyard (Isa. 5:7 [5:1-6]) sing of it. Today the vineyard lies exposed, undefended. Isa. 5:5-6

In that day – protected and fruitful.

- Vs. 3 1) The Lord will be its keeper.
 - 2) He will perpetually water it (every moment).
 - 3) No one will damage it.
 - 4) God, Himself, will guard it night and day.
- Vs. 4 God's handling of the vineyard is not the product of His wrath:
 - 1) Briars and thorns require action on God's part (again Isa. 5:2-4).
 - 2) Burning comes to the vineyard to rejuvenate it. Heb. 6:7-9
- Vs. 5 Let God's people (Israel):
 - 1) Rely on God's protection.
 - 2) Make peace with the God of Israel emphasis added by God.
- Vs. 6 Prophecy in days to come future to our time:
 - 1) Jacob will take root. Isa. 35:1-10
 - 2) Israel will blossom and sprout. Amos 9:13-15
 - 3) They (both together) will fill the whole world with fruit. Zech. 14:8-9 Fulfillment of the Abrahamic Covenant. Gen. 12:3

Vs. 7 Because the Lord cares for His people, He will judge them and purify them so they can become fruitful.

God has struck the enemies of Israel and caused them to be slain.

He also wills strike Israel and she will experience her own slain.

- Vs. 8-9 God's planned outcome resulting from His judging His people will be different than the outcome which was planned for the nations:
 - 1) Judgment in the life of the believer or the chosen one (national election) always looks to the next chapter of their life. Judgment is not the end focus, but rather the means to a greater end focus. Deut. 28:49-68
 - 2) In Judah's case, an east wind (Babylon) will come and banish Judah to a land of idols. Living under their oppression for 70 years will become the price (required payment) for the pardoning of their sin.
- Vs. 10 Because of Judah's sin, Jerusalem will be destroyed.

Jerusalem will become like the desert. The calf will graze on its leaves.

- Vs. 11 When Jerusalem's branches become dry, they will be broken off and burned by the women left in the land. A people (women):
 - 1) Of little discernment.
 - 2) Abandoned by their Creator.
 - 3) No longer the object of His grace.
- Vs. 12 It will come about in that day that the Lord will thresh a very large area in the land of Palestine from the Euphrates (Iraq) to Egypt for the purpose of bringing His people back to Jerusalem and the land. Matt. 24:29-31
- Vs. 13 In that day a great trumpet will be blown those who were perishing...who were scattered will come and worship the Lord...at Jerusalem.