

Promises for God's Servants

Isaiah 54

Introduction

When our faith is weak, it can be strengthened when we prayerfully ponder God's Word — especially God's promises. Isaiah 54 is full of God's promises — which God will use to strengthen us.

What is this chapter about? (v.17)

It's about the heritage of the servants of the Lord. A heritage is like an inheritance, something that has been promised to you. So this chapter is about God's promises to us.

Who gets to receive these promises? (v.17)

It's the servants of the Lord.

Servants of the Lord are sinners who have been forgiven and changed into servants of the Lord by trusting Jesus Christ. Because we are trusting Christ, all these promises are true for us.

What does God promise His servants?

We will have many spiritual children (vv.1-3).

God will never turn His love from us (vv.4-10).

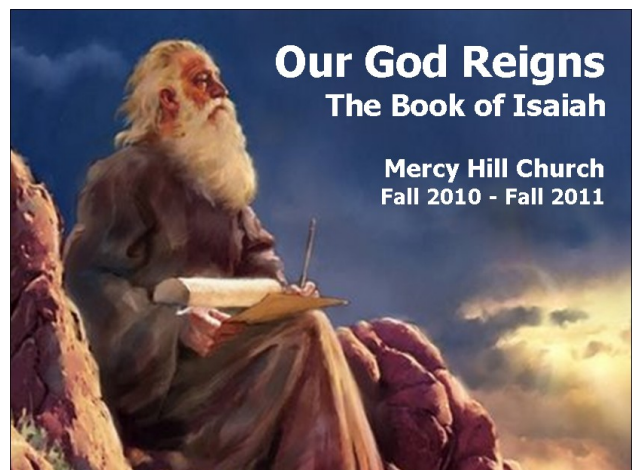
God will turn our present humiliations into amazing glorifications (vv.11-12).

God will give us the peace that comes from being taught directly by Him (v.13).

No weapon fashioned against us will succeed (vv.14-17).

What does this mean for us?

Pick which promise you need to hear the most, pray over it, think deeply over it, talk about it at home group this week — until you feel your faith get stronger.



HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING

(Sometimes in our home groups we talk about Sunday's teaching, so we can work together on responding to God's Word — asking questions, sharing insights, talking together.)

What was the Holy Spirit saying to you Sunday through this passage?

What questions, ideas, objections, encouragements did you come away with?

In the past, how much attention have you given to God's promises? Why has that been the case?

Do you find yourself falling into either one of these misunderstandings — that you can't be a servant of the Lord because of your sin, or that you are automatically a servant of the Lord because you are good enough? How does Isaiah 53 help correct your misunderstanding?

Which of the five promises do you need to hear the most? Why? What keeps you from believing it? What happens when you take time to pray and think deeply about it?

What's your take-away from this message? What are you going to do differently? When? How?

Share prayer requests that come up in the discussion, jot them down below, and pray for each other.

