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ENLARGE THE PLACE OF THY TEXT

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ISAIAH 54-56, 63-65

Begin with end of chapter 53: servant lives again - he purifies others. of Isaiah 6 → Isaiah was purified even though he felt unclean. the servant will do this to the world. After he is killed he will receive his reward → seeing his seed. ch. 54 the seed of the barren (i.e. redeemed Israel) will inherit the gentiles (v. 3)

ch 54 → how much the Lord loves (and will forgive) Israel

ch 55 → renewal of Davidic covenant

v. 10-11 beautiful simile of the Lord's word being as the rain

servants: 65: 13-18 I will preserve a remnant servants will eat drink and be happy while the wicked starve thirst and mourn

66: 14 hand of the Lord toward his servants (Jerusalem will be like a mother)

54: 17 no weapon formed against thee shall prosper

56: 6 eunuchs & strangers will be servants

John 15: 15 I call you no more servants

65: 15
mother
name

Is Isaiah ch. 56-66 just one

theory
Version 2

big long set of
CHASTIC POEMS? 56-66

56: 1-8 vindication of Jerusalem 65 & 66

56: 9-59: 14 Prophetic denunciations 63: 7-End, 64

59: 15-21 YHWH victorious warrior 65: 1-6

60: 1-62: 12 Restoration of Jerusalem, return of exiles

60-62 servant announces God's kingdom - promises of Hope from New Jerusalem

59 & 63-64 prayers of repentance - forgive our trespasses, thy kingdom come, thy will be done

56b-58 & 65-66a contrast between servants and the wicked - wicked face justice and are removed

56a & 66b all nations invited to join God's covenant family servants are humble and therefore can be purified

(v. 1-8) (v. 18/19-24)

ch. 56 v. 1-8 everyone, strangers & eunuchs included, will be part of Israel
v. 9-12 come beasts (foreign nations), devour Israel, for their watchmen sleep

ch. 57 v. 1-2 the blessed death of the righteous

v. 3-11 worship other gods. "bed" = you are committing adultery when you worship them

v. 9 "the King" = melek, molech → you dress up for another god - send ambassadors to hell

↑ deliberate pun

v. 11 you overcome weariness & discouragement to follow idolatry (implication: why not for me?)

v. 13 - switch from talking about idolators to righteous

ch 58 fasting and keeping the Sabbath cannot be done for show, not if you want heaven to answer (Matt 6: 16-18)

ch 59 v. 1-11 parallelism on display if you turn from wickedness you will be saved

v. 17 armor of God

eph. 6: 13-17

v. 18 restoration (Alma 41)

memorial (NIV) ownership of temple
entrance past court of Gentiles
jump from future (Israel in exile) to present (wicked nation in need of correction)
jump from future (New Jerusalem) to present (Israel in sin)

ch. 60 v.1 more good tidings
your children will return from all across the world
other nations will be subject to you voluntarily
imagine how comforting this chapter of gathering would be to a scattered and exiled people

ch. 61 v.1 good messenger (Luke 4:16-30) "preach good tidings" lebasser vs. mebasser
anointed me → iam the messiah and the gospel (fulfillment 1: prophet Isaiah)
v.1-3 trees of righteousness-Nazareth (Matt 2:14-23)

v.10 covered with robe of righteousness 2 Ne 4:33

ch. 62 God will restore you → you should build a road for all your people who will be returning

v.2 Israel shall have a new name

v.8-9 you will own the fruits of your own labor

v.11 thy salvation cometh

v.12, new names v.4 Hephzibah = "God is Pleased with Her", Beulah = "Happily Married"
Desolate = "Deserted Wife"

ch. 63 YHWH the victorious warrior

v.1-6 clothing red - with the blood of Israel's enemies
- from treading the winepress alone

winepress of blood → assumed it was from violence. Christians have a second interpretation
God believed in Israelites & led them to safety in the past

v.7-end prayer for forgiveness & of praise

ch 64 continuation of prayer from 63 - ~~redeem~~ redeem us from exile, don't be angry forever

v.4 eye hath not seen nor ear heard (1 Cor 2:9 as it is written)

ch. 65 Lord's response "I would have been happy to answer prayers this whole time"

v.11 troop = God = fortune

v.12 destine/number you to the sword

number = Meni = Destiny/Fate

blessed state of the New Jerusalem

no one will die young, all prayers immediately answered

ch. 66 New heaven and new earth

v.1-2 you all want to do something great for me (ie. build a house) but I created the materials. Just be humble.

v.19-21 strangers shall be priests, shall be sought out the world over