## What Sort of Ending Is This? A Tension Filled Finale, Part 5 What Must I Do To Be Saved? The Tension of Conversion Isaiah 66:1-2

- I. God's Cosmic Temple (1a)
  - A. How God made things to be
  - B. A reminder of the Creation Covenant
  - C. A reminder of man's failure and need for deliverance
- II. What House Will You Build (1b)
  - A. A reminder of the Davidic Covenant
  - B. A recollection of the Tabernacle and Temple
  - C. A reminder of man's need for atonement
- III. A Comparison of Ability (2a)
  - A. God as sovereign creator and universal sustainer
  - B. What is mankind compared to this?
    - 1. What power does he have?
    - 2. What condition is man in?
- IV. The Gracious Gaze of God (2b)
  - A. Humble
    - 1. One without property/poor
    - 2. In the spiritual sense, an acknowledgment of our low position compared to the greatness of God
  - B. Contrite in spirit
    - 1. Lame/crippled
    - 2. Coupled with the spirit repentant/penitent with regret for wrongdoing
  - C. Trembles at my word
    - 1. "A state of severe distress"
    - 2. Only used 6x in the OT 5 in connection with God's Word
  - D. Are we these kinds of people
    - 1. Those who are poor in spirit

- 2. Those who mourn
- 3. Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness
- 4. Cf. Matthew 5:1-12
- E. These are the ones who have truly been transformed by grace