

*The JUDGMENT of the*  
*HOLY ONE*

Isaiah 13

The Holy One Will Judge Babylon

# ISAIAH MEMORY WORK

Isaiah 13:11,

And I will punish the world for their evil,

And the wicked for their iniquity;

And I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease,

And will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

# **THE DEFINITION OF A CHIASM:**

**A literary device that uses bilateral symmetry  
about a central axis**

- 1. The word comes from the Greek letter “chi” or X.**
- 2. The bilateral symmetry could be words, phrases, themes or matching units.**
- 3. The order of the bilateral symmetry is inverted in the second half of the CHIASM to mirror the linguistic elements found in the first half.**
- 4. The axis or central element is the stress point of the literary device. It is the theological center or key preaching point - the theological treasure!**

# Isaiah 1-12 (UNIT 1 OF 7)

## THE CALL OF THE HOLY ONE

A Introduction: Israel's Disobedience & Resultant Devastation (1:1-31)

B Visions of Future Restoration of Jerusalem (2:1-4:6)

C Coming Destruction of Judah (5:1-30)

X CALL TO ISAIAH (6:1-13)

C1 Coming Destruction of Judah (7:1-8:18)

B1 Visions of Future Restoration of Israel (8:19-11:9)

A1 Conclusion: Israel's Future Restoration & Obedience (11:10-12:6)

# The Call to Ministry - Service

## P.O.W.E.R. Outlets

P - The Ministry of Prayer

(Personal and corporate prayer meetings)

O - The Ministry of Openness

(Accountability, testimonies, counseling, etc.)

W - The Ministry of the Word

(Advanced leadership training, Bible study, Bible electives)

E - The Ministry of Encouragement

(Enlist, edify the believer - in reach focus)

R - The Ministry of Responsibility to the Lost

(Search and rescue teams, visitation, evangelistic Bible studies - outreach focus)

# Isaiah 13-27 (Unit 2 of 7)

## THE JUDGMENT OF THE HOLY ONE

- A Fall of Babylon and JUDAH'S RESTORATION (13:1-14:32)
  - B Oracle about Judah's Eastern Neighbor - Moab (15:1-16:14)
    - C Oracles concerning Egypt and Ethiopia (17:1-20:6)
      - X FALL OF BABYLON (21:1-17)
        - C1 Oracle concerning Jerusalem and Shebna (22:1-25)
          - B1 Oracle about Judah's Western Neighbor - Tyre (23:1-18)
            - A1 Fall of Babylon and JUDAH'S RESTORATION (24:1-27:13)

# I. THE HISTORICAL “DAY OF THE LORD”

Judgment Seen in the Historical “Day of the Lord” - the Fall of Babylon (13:1-8)

## **A. The Burden of Babylon**

Isaiah 13:1,  
The burden of Babylon,  
which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.

## **B. The Banner of the Nations**

Isaiah 13:2,  
Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain,  
exalt the voice unto them,  
shake the hand,  
that they may go into the gates of the nobles.

## C. The Battle of the Lord

Isaiah 13:3-5,  
I have commanded my sanctified ones,  
I have also called my mighty ones for mine anger,  
even them that rejoice in my highness.

The noise of a multitude in the mountains,  
like as of a great people;  
a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together:  
the LORD of hosts mustereth the host of the battle.

They come from a far country,  
from the end of heaven, even the LORD,  
and the weapons of his indignation,  
to destroy the whole land.

## **D. The Beckoning Day of the Lord**

Isaiah 13:6,  
Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand;  
it shall come as a destruction from the  
Almighty.

## E. The Birth Pangs of Babylon

Isaiah 13:7,  
Therefore shall all hands be faint,  
and every man's heart shall melt:

Isaiah 13:8,  
And they shall be afraid:  
pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them;  
they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth:  
they shall be amazed one at another;  
their faces shall be as flames.

## II. THE ESCHATOLOGICAL “DAY OF THE LORD”

### I. THE HISTORICAL DAY OF THE LORD

Judgment Seen in the Historical “Day of the Lord” - the Fall of Babylon (13:1-8)

### II. THE ESCHATOLOGICAL DAY OF THE LORD

Judgment Seen in the Eschatological “Day of the Lord” - the future Tribulation and the Judgment of the Nations (13:9-13)

## A. The Desolation of the Land

Isaiah 13:9,  
Behold, the day of the LORD cometh,  
cruel both with wrath and fierce anger,  
to lay the land desolate:

and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

## B. The Destruction of the Sinners

Isaiah 13:9,

Behold, the day of the LORD cometh,  
cruel both with wrath and fierce anger,  
to lay the land desolate:

and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

## C. The Darkening of the Earth

Isaiah 13:10,  
For the stars of heaven and the constellations  
thereof shall not give their light:  
the sun shall be darkened in his going forth,  
and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

## D. The Decimation of the Proud

Isaiah 13:11,

And I will punish the world for their evil,  
and the wicked for their iniquity;

and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease,  
and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

# **E. The Depopulation of the Human Race**

Isaiah 13:12,  
I will make a man more precious than fine gold;  
even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir.

## **F. The Debilitating Characteristics of the Tribulation**

Isaiah 13:13,  
Therefore I will shake the heavens,  
and the earth shall remove out of her place,  
in the wrath of the LORD of hosts,  
and in the day of his fierce anger.

# III. THE RETURN TO THE HISTORICAL “DAY OF THE LORD”

## I. THE HISTORICAL DAY OF THE LORD

Judgment Seen in the Historical “Day of the Lord” - the Fall of Babylon (13:1-8)

## II. THE ESCHATOLOGICAL DAY OF THE LORD

Judgment Seen in the Eschatological “Day of the Lord” - the Tribulation and the Judgment of the Nations (13:9-13)

## III. THE RETURN TO THE HISTORICAL DAY OF THE LORD

Judgment Seen in the Historical “Day of the Lord” - the Fall of Babylon (13:14-22)

## A. The Scattering of the Babylonians

Isaiah 13:14,  
And it shall be as the chased roe,  
and as a sheep that no man taketh up:  
they shall every man turn to his own people,  
and flee every one into his own land.

## **B. The Slaughtering of the Babylonians**

Isaiah 13:15,  
Every one that is found shall be thrust through;  
and every one that is joined unto them shall  
fall by the sword.

## **C. The Savage Treatment of the Babylonians**

Isaiah 13:16,  
Their children also shall be dashed to pieces  
before their eyes;  
their houses shall be spoiled,  
and their wives ravished.

## **D. The Stirring Up of the Medes against the Babylonians**

Isaiah 13:17,  
Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them,  
which shall not regard silver;  
and as for gold, they shall not delight in it.

## **E. The Sparing Not of the Babylonians**

Isaiah 13:18,  
Their bows also shall dash the young men to  
pieces;

and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the  
womb;

their eye shall not spare children.

## **F. The Supplanting of the Babylonians**

Isaiah 13:19,  
And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms,  
the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency,  
shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and  
Gomorrah.

## **G. The Sentencing of the Babylonian's City**

Isaiah 13:20-22,

It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.

But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of doleful creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and satyrs shall dance there.

And the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate houses, and dragons in their pleasant palaces: and her time is near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged.

# Isaiah 13

I. The Historical Day of the Lord - The Fall of Ancient Babylon. (13:1-8)

II. The Eschatological Day of the Lord - The Future Judgment of the Nations (Tribulation Period) (13:9-13)

III. The Return to the Historical Day of the Lord - The Fall of Ancient Babylon (13:14-22)

# ISAIAH - The Master of Telescoping or Linking Two Events

First Coming of Christ linked often with His Second Coming (Isaiah 9:6-7; 11:1-5)

The Judgment of Babylon foreshadows/prefigures the Judgment of “Mystery Babylon” and Economic Babylon in the Tribulation (Isaiah 13).

The Judgment of the King of Babylon foreshadows/prefigures the Judgment of Lucifer/Satan (Isaiah 14).

# Babylon in Scripture

The Tower of Babel - Nimrod was the leader of a one-world political/religious system focusing on the glorification of man and the worship of Satan (Genesis 11) - JUDGED BY GOD.

“MYSTERY BABYLON, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS” - One-world religious system led by the false prophet (Revelation 17) - JUDGED BY GOD.

Economic/Political Babylon - One-world political system led by the Antichrist (Revelation 18) - JUDGED BY GOD.

# Invitation to the Unbeliever

Dear Lord,

“Woe is me! for I am undone.”

I acknowledge that I am a sinner.

I believe that Jesus died for me and rose again.

I call on You now in faith to save me from my sins.

I pray in Jesus' name, Amen.