

# Let's Worship God

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## **Monday - Isaiah 25:6 - The Feast on the Mountain**

Feasting and eating is something very central in the Bible. Of course, eating is very central to human life! God has so designed that eating has a spiritual significance as well. After all, what was central in the covenant of works there in the garden before the fall? One of a couple of very central things was eating. "You may eat of everything within the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, you must not eat." We think of the eating of the Passover. The Passover's been replaced with its New Testament equivalent - the Lord's Supper. What is one of the main events, so to speak, when Christ returns? It is the marriage supper of the Lamb where we all sit down together.

Here is a picture, then, in verse six of this feast of grace. God is both the host and the One Who does the inviting. Some people, when they hear the gracious invitation of God, think that somehow they'd be presumptuous to come. "Oh, God surely cannot mean me," but He does mean this. Come, everyone who wishes! Come, everyone who desires, come to this feast. There is no need to fear or hesitate that this invitation is not for you. It is not only for those who are outwardly clean and outwardly respectable. It is for the wicked, and it is for the nasty. You may think, 'I am a terrible sinner. How would God want me?' But it is an invitation for all people. Some might be tempted to think, 'Well, God was speaking to the Jews, but I'm not of Jewish blood.' No, it is an invitation for all people. It is for the poor. It is for the rich. It is for the old. It is for the young. It is an invitation for all people, no matter what their social status is, no matter what their economic position is, no matter what their country of origin is, no matter what their religion in the past has been.

The feast is at this mountain. What mountain is that? It is Mount Zion. It is in the church of Jesus Christ. In other words, this is the mountain where God dwells. This feast is here on the mountain in which Jesus Christ reigns.

### **Questions**

1. To whom does the invitation go?
2. Where is the feast being held?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray that those we know and love would respond to this invitation.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. Isaiah 26:3

**Praise: Psalm 119: Part 13 - See [www.rpglobalalliance.org](http://www.rpglobalalliance.org) for Psalm tune helps.**

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## **Tuesday - Isaiah 25:6 - A Feast of Grace**

This feast is a picture. The feast of grace, like this physical feast here, is rich, it's extensive, it's abundant, it is all that we need to sustain us forever and ever. And we will not discover all of its riches until we have gotten into heaven, where we have the richest feast of all. This feast is extensive. And so it is with our salvation and with God's dealing with us. For not only does He forgive our sin, He does much more. You who have been saved by the Lord Jesus Christ, you in whom the Holy Spirit dwells, have a deep and abiding and growing longing to be holy. Oh, what a wonderful thing it is to see yourself growing in grace a little bit. How wonderful when you see that, more and more, you're hating sin in general and those particular sins to which you are prone. But there's more. You are no longer a slave of Satan. You were trapped. Trapped in all kinds of filth and folly, and you knew it, but you didn't know how to get out of it. Now you've been made servants of God most high, and you live to serve Him. But there's more. For not only are you now a servant of God, but you're a child of His as well. He has brought you into His family. God delights to give us all this. But that's not all. There's also the promise ahead. A day is coming when there will be no sin around. Not in us, not in anybody else. And that is when we are glorified in heaven. And lastly, we have the promise of life forever in resurrected bodies.

Is this feast talking about the deliverance of God's people from the Assyrians? Or the return of the captivity from Babylon? This feast is looking to something far greater. It is looking to the greatest deliverance of all, the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ to be the God-man, the One Who came and gave the gospel to all nations. This is looking to gospel times up through the coming again of our Lord Jesus Christ and the final resurrection. But let us delight even now in the portion of the feast that we have been given. We're only in the appetizer stage right now, but it's quite good. The main course is coming when the bridegroom arrives. And you are not merely guests, but the bride herself. Then you shall enjoy in a way that you can hardly imagine even now, the fullness of the feast of grace.

### **Questions**

1. Who destroyed Tyre?
2. How does Tyre change?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray that we would use the good things God gives us for His glory.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

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## **Wednesday - Isaiah 25:7 - The Veil Destroyed**

In this chapter we look ahead. We look to the deliverance from the Assyrian invasion. We look farther off to the return of the people from captivity in Babylon. And we must look, as well, to the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. We must look to His complete deliverance that He would bring with His becoming flesh and dwelling among us, His living a perfect life, His atoning death, His victorious resurrection, and establishing the church.

In verse six we had the feast of grace. Now we have death's destruction. The picture we have here is of the nations of the world being brought out of death and darkness to light and life. What is this mountain? Zion is where the temple of God is - the temple that is a picture of God dwelling in the midst of His people. There is a veil over the nations, a covering over the peoples. What we're talking about here is a deep, thick, impenetrable covering. It's a spiritual veil. For until and unless the veil is lifted, individuals and societies both are under thick darkness. Throughout the history of man there has been deep darkness. You can study the great civilizations of the past who built up highly civilized cultures. But spiritually speaking, they were dark. These who were in darkness came up with the most ridiculous notions to replace the knowledge they had of the most high God, a knowledge they couldn't entirely escape from. For as we read in Psalm 19 and Romans 1, all of creation about them was constantly testifying to them of this God. In fact, their own selves, marred of course, but the image of God, testified to Him. Yet they intentionally pulled the veil over top of themselves. And they invented false gods made in the image of man. They came up with all kinds of devilish means and ways to somehow be right with these gods.

However, this darkness is doomed to destruction. It is planned by God that this darkness be ended. A long time ago the Greeks had a saying - all good things must come to an end. But that's a lie. It's quite the opposite of the truth. All bad things must come to an end. God removes the covering, he removes the veil, He takes away that which keeps people from Him. He has done so in and through the person and the work of His son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Questions**

1. What is the veil being talked about here?
2. How does God deal with the darkness of men?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray that God would bring society around us to repentance.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.  
Isaiah 26:3

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## **Thursday - Isaiah 25:8 - Death Swallowed Up**

Death itself is removed in the death of Christ. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit will swallow up death forever. It's gone. For those who had the veil removed by God's sovereign grace, for those who have seen the light, who have seen Jesus, Who is the light of the world, death is swallowed up. Jesus has taken it. Jesus has dealt with it. Jesus has swallowed it up (1 Corinthians 15).

The universal darkness and the universal reign of death are in this New Testament day being taken away, and that removal shall all be consummated, all be completed at the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because death is removed, so are the consequences. We read that the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces. (Revelation 21) This is what we are experiencing to some extent now and will fully experience someday in heaven. Because we believe on the One who has died for sin and been resurrected, being victorious over sin and guilt, because we have looked to Him who lives forever: even though we die, we shall live. Sorrow because of our sin and grief from parting from our loved ones will end. Affliction no longer can damage us. Persecution cannot stop us. Illness and pain and other causes of tears in this life are now used by God to make us more holy and to prepare us for the day which will go on forever, when all these things will be abolished entirely.

We read here the rebuke or reproach of His people He will take away from all the earth. No longer will there be resistance to the gospel as the nations are brought under it. All this sounds beautiful. All this sounds lovely. All this sounds wonderful. But what about what we see on the Internet? What about what we hear on the radio? What about what we see on the tv? Why, all seems to be going horribly. The wicked ones seem to be in power. How do we know that this beautiful picture here, these beautiful things in verses seven and eight: death, destruction, and darkness ending - how do we know that this will come to pass? Because Jehovah has said so. And that is how verse eight ends - for the LORD has spoken.

### **Questions**

1. What promises do we have in these verses?
2. How do we know these promises are true?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Give thanks for the glorious future that awaits you.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

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## Friday - Isaiah 25:9 - Praise for the Promises

This chapter is, to some extent, looking even beyond the death and resurrection of Christ to His Second Coming to bring about the resurrection of the godly to everlasting life, and sadly, the resurrection of the unjust to everlasting judgment. The first five verses were talking about the destruction of the wicked. We then saw in verse 6 the feast of grace, and the destruction of death in verses 7-8. And now we will look at praise for the promises in verse 9, and praise for protection in verses 10-12.

Isaiah, and all the saints of God who have read this since, joy in what God does. But there's something even more here. There is a joy in Who He is. Think of someone whom you love or have loved. Why do you love them? Is it merely because of what they do for you? Or is it because of who they are? And the more you know, the more you love. When you're apart from them, you don't like it. And when they return, what a joyous time it is. How much more so is it with those who know and love the living and true God? We delight in the fact that we are His, and well we should. It's an amazing thing to think about, that God should choose you, that God should have you to be precious in His sight. Me? you might say, when you're oppressed with remaining sin in your life. Me? you might say, when you're bewailing how cold your love is to Him. Me? you might say, when you think how weak your prayer life is. Me? Yes, you are His. However, there's something even more wonderful in the covenant of grace. He is ours. He has, in the covenant, given Himself to us even as He has given us to Himself. Spend some time thinking about the attributes of God. That infinite, eternal being is yours. Do you need wisdom? That infinite, eternal, and unchangeable wisdom is yours, because that God is yours, and so on. He has in the covenant deeded over Himself to you. And it is not conditional. Not to you anyway. It is not temporary. All He is, is ours in the covenant of grace, which has been secured by Jesus.

Isaiah says, we have waited for Him. There are a couple of things implied. Perhaps one is all along we knew He'd come through. We waited in expectation. Now Christ has come and has fulfilled all his work through his mediatorial Person. Though we wait, long as it seems to us, God will come through. As we push on toward holiness, the assurance is that we shall make it, because Christ makes sure that we make it.

### Questions

1. What can we rejoice in?
2. What assurance do we have that we will be sanctified?

### Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for all that you have in Christ.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### Memory Verse

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## **Saturday - Isaiah 25:10-12 - Protection**

These verses sound horrific, and it is horrific for those must go through it. But for the people of God, there is praise here. Praise for protection from a great evil. When we have something deadly within us, and we must have it removed, for the tumour, it's not very pleasant, but for us, it's a cause of rejoicing. It is good news to have the wicked removed from the world. And that is the picture here.

The mountain pictures the place where God meets with his people, and in New Testament times, the mountain is Jesus in the midst of His church. Jehovah's hand is there, not to smash down, not to scatter and destroy, but for the people of God there on that holy mountain upon which His mediatorial king reigns, Jehovah's hand is there, the hand of protection, the hand of power, there to keep his people safe, but at the same time His feet stomp on the wicked spiritually, and in every other way. Moab is trampled under him. The picture here is of Moab being mixed in with manure.

God's hand is then at work again to scatter and destroy. The picture here is as of a swimmer scattering water everywhere. That is the picture of what God is about to do, not only to Moab, but to all His enemies. Thus he protects His people, but He smashes His and our foes. They're easily and powerfully pushed aside. And their own powers, we see in verse 12, are destroyed. It's just like a sandcastle being destroyed by the tide. Just a few waves must hit, and your magnificent creation that took all kinds of time and effort to put together is just this little smear because the water wiped it out. And that is the picture here of the power of the strength of man, symbolized by Moab, united perhaps in its opposition to Zion, to Zion's king, to Zion's God. But that power is washed over, overwhelmed and flooded by the power of Jehovah.

### **Question**

1. How will God destroy the wicked?
2. What comfort can we have in God's power?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray for the preaching and hearing of God's Word tomorrow.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

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Ezra read from  
the book of the Law  
day after day  
and that  
the people of God  
were filled with joy!**

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