

ISAIAH 61:1-3: ANOINTED DELIVERER

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I. CONTEXT OF ISAIAH 61

- A. Isaiah 60-66 details Israel's end-time repentance, deliverance and full restoration and God's vengeance on His enemies.
- B. In Isaiah 61, we see/hear Jesus as the Messiah, as the One who will bring all these things to pass. After global oppression and another Jewish holocaust, the land and the people will be desolate. *The Messiah will come in this context to preach, heal, liberate, and restore His people.*
- C. Jesus quoted this promise in Luke 4:14-30 as He announced His identity and mission to His hometown after He had begun preaching and operating in power.
- D. Jesus wants us to experience these promises of His identity and mission in our lives **now**, and to realize their full context towards Israel at His 2nd coming.

II. ANOINTED AND SENT BY THE FATHER: 61:1

- A. *This is Jesus talking in 1st person to Isaiah*—meditate on Jesus saying this to you face to face. Jesus knows His identity and mission, and He knows the power that rests on Him to accomplish His mission. Compare to Isaiah 11 and Revelation 3:1; 5:6.
- B. ***Because the LORD (Father) has anointed Me (Jesus)...He has sent Me (Jesus)***
The Father is intimately involved in Jesus' mission. Jesus has been fully endowed with the Holy Spirit's power and presence for the sake of walking out the Father's burning desires for His people. Each angle of Jesus' ministry reflects the Father's desires for us now and for the Jewish people in the future (healing/freedom).

III. WHAT JESUS HAS BEEN ANOINTED TO ACCOMPLISH

- A. ***Preach good tidings to the poor*** - With His own mouth, Jesus will preach the gospel to Jewish captives who are impoverished. "Good tidings or gospel" referred to the victorious arrival of a new king.
- B. ***Heal the brokenhearted*** - Jesus will heal every part of His people (broken emotions, shattered wills, physical sickness, demonic oppression). **See Isa. 35.**

- C. ***Proclaim liberty to the captives/bound prisoners*** - On his march from Egypt to Jerusalem, Jesus will release decrees that liberate Jews from prison camps (Isa. 42:7; Zech. 9:11-12).
- D. ***Proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD*** - This is probably a reference to the year of Jubilee where everything to the Jewish people.
- E. ***Day of Vengeance of our God*** - God will release His judgments on the nations for following the Antichrist and oppressing Israel.
- F. ***To comfort all who mourn in Zion*** - Jews will mourn because of their sin, history of rejecting Jesus, and because of their circumstances (Zech. 12:10-14).
- G. ***To give them beauty for ashes*** - Ashes point to destruction in the land but also the ashes of repentance they will put on their foreheads.
- H. ***To give them the oil of gladness for mourning*** - Jesus will release supernatural joy to His people in the greatest reversal of events in history. There is an oil of gladness (Ps. 45:7) to give to His people that heals emotions.
- I. ***To give the garment of praise for heaviness*** - Jews will be anointed with the supernatural spirit of praise in response to Jesus' deliverance

IV. PLANTING OF THE LORD

*Also your people shall **all** be righteous; they shall inherit the land forever, the branch of My planting, the work of My hands, **that I may be glorified.** (Isaiah 60:21)*

- A. Israel is often compared to a tree or vine being planted and producing fruit. Jesus' work will cause **ALL Israel** to walk out the 1st commandment with radical love and righteousness (Romans 11:26).
- B. God is glorified in 4 ways:
 1. Wholehearted love and obedience honors His role as Husband and King over Israel.
 2. The nations will glorify God when they see His faithfulness to Israel's promises come to pass. The storyline will glorify God.
 3. Israel will host God's manifest presence (face to face), which will cause the nations to come and glory God in worship.
 4. Israel walking out their calling as priests will help the nations walk out theirs and give glory to God (Malachi 1:11).