**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**ISAIAH – LESSON 12**

Day 1 – Read Isaiah 28:1 – 29:24

1. Share something you remember from our last Bible study.

2. a. Write the memory verse (Isaiah 29:13).

 b. What do you think that means?

Day 2 – Read Isaiah 28:1-13

3. Consider these facts: “That wreath/crown” is Samaria, the capital city of the northern tribes of Israel. God’s instrument of justice is Assyria. What “woe” would happen to the city in vs. 1-4?

4. What “blessing” would the Lord be . . .

 a. to the remnant?

 b. to the remnant rulers?

 c. to the remnant soldiers?

5. What priests and prophets did what?

6. a. Their drunkenness made the prophets \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when seeing visions and the priests’ instructions were no more than what (vs. 10)?

 b. Spiritual immaturity may accept a “list of rules,” but how can we gain spiritual maturity and have freedom in Christ?

 c. Is freedom in Christ without rules? Please explain.

7. Since Israel refused to listen to God, Assyria (foreign lips and strange tongues) would do the talking and cause Israel to do what in vs. 13?

8. How are you at listening to God? Turn to Psalm 32:8-11. Complete the sentence . . .

 a. If I am not like

 b. God will

Day 3 – Read Isaiah 28:14-29

Note: Today’s reading has a prophecy and a parable. Jerusalem felt confident in her idols and alliances with other nations so she did not fear the Assyrian threat from the north.

9. a. What was the prophecy of a new spiritual foundation in verse 16?

 b. What do these New Testament Scriptures teach?

 Acts 4:10-12

 1 Corinthians 3:11

 1 Peter 2:4-8

10. Near term, however, Jerusalem would be judged because she did not meet the measuring line of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the plumb line of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

11. a. How did Isaiah express the thought “you can’t hide from this?” (vs. 20)

 b. . . . the thought “struggle will make it worse?” (vs. 22)

12. In the parable of the farmer (vs. 23-29):

 a. After breaking up the soil, what does the farmer do?

 b. The new crop is harvested with care. How?

 c. What is true from Hebrews 12:11?

 d. In your opinion, after “threshing (discipline), what is the next thing to do?

Day 4 – Read Isaiah 29:1-12

13. What is the “woe” for Ariel (Jerusalem) in vs. 1-4?

14. The “blessing” forecast pictures . . .

 a. God as what to the invaders?

 b. The enemies as unsatisfied what?

15. Spiritual blindness and ignorance was prevalent as seen in vs. 9-12. Turn to 1 Corinthians 2:11-16.

 a. What do we have to give us spiritual insight?

 b. Why can we be spiritually discerning?

 c. What do you do personally to increase your sensitivity to who God is and what He is doing?

Day 5 – Read Isaiah 29:13-24

16. a. What was the real problem of Isaiah’s audience?

 b. What would God do?

17. Fill in vs. 15: “Woe to those \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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18. Be assured, God knows all. He will bring restoration. Select a few phrases from vs. 17-21 that describe that restoration.

19. What “blessing” will Jacob see regarding

 a. reverence for God?

 b. renewed enlightenment?

20. Summarize this lesson:

 The people were led away from God by

 The people were led back to God by