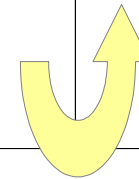


Treasure Hunt

- Why does God choose these particular blessings to mention?
- What should be our response to the things that God does?
- God promises to make Jerusalem a rejoicing. Who will do the rejoicing?
- What does it mean for a child to die a hundred years old (v. 20)?
- What relationship does God intend there to be between a person's work and the results of that work?
- Why is it important for a day to come when the wild beasts behave themselves?

Integration of Isaiah 65-66

	Isaiah 65	Isaiah 66	
True Worship (from Gentiles)	1	1-2	18-23
False Worship from Israel	2-7	3-4	15-17
The Fate of the Wicked vs. God's Servants	8-16	5-6	14
Blessing on Jerusalem	17-25	7-13	



The Blessings and Curses of the Covenant

	Lev 26	Deut 28
Obedience → Blessings	Lev 26:3-13 If ye walk in my statutes , and keep my commandments, and do them; 4 Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, ...	Deu 28:1-14 ... if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God , to observe <i>and</i> to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, ... 2 ... all these blessings shall come on thee , and overtake thee ...
Disobedience → Curses	Lev 26:14-39 But if ye will not hearken unto me , and will not do all these commandments; ... 16 I also will do this unto you ; I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, ...	Deu 28:15-68 But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God , to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee , and overtake thee: ...
Hope of Restoration	Lev 26:40-46 If they shall confess their iniquity , and the iniquity of their fathers, ... 42 Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land. ...	Deu 30:1-20 ... when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call them to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee, 2 And shalt return unto the LORD thy God, ... 3 That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity , and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee. ...

18-19 Joy

The Curse

Lev 26:16 I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart:

Psa 137:1 By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when we remembered Zion.

“Be glad ...”

1Ti 6:17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

Rom 1:20 they are without excuse: 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful;

Did this happen at the return from Babylon?

Zec 12:2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem **a cup of trembling** unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah *and* against Jerusalem. 3 And in that day will I make Jerusalem **a burdensome stone** for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

Zec 14:2 I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be **taken**, and the houses **rifled**, and the women **ravished**; and half of the city shall go forth into **captivity**, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

20 Longevity

The Curse:

Lev 26:17 ye shall be slain before your enemies:

Lev 26:22 I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children

Lev 26:29 And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

The Ultimate Victory:

Isa 25:7 And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations. 8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

21-22 Recompense

The Curse:

Deu 28:30 thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not gather the grapes thereof.

Deu 6:10 the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, 11 And houses full of all good *things*, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; ...

23 Hope for Children

The Curse:

Deu 28:32 Thy sons and thy daughters *shall be* given unto another people,

Deu 28:41 Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity.

“labour in vain ... bring forth for trouble”:

Job 3:3 Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night *in which* it was said, There is a man child conceived. ... 10
Because it shut not up the doors of my *mother's* womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

24 Divine Access

The Curse:

Isa 59:1 the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: 2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear.

“before they call, I will answer”:

Eph 3:20 able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

25, Dominion over Nature

The Curse:

Lev 26:22 I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your *high* ways shall be desolate.

Context of the Blessing (11:6-9):

Isa 11:4 with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

Man's original task:

Gen 1:28 Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.