

“See, your Savior comes!”

Isaiah 62

“For Zion’s sake”

Isaiah 62:1

**For Zion’s sake I will not
keep silent, for Jerusalem’s
sake I will not remain quiet,
till her righteousness shines
out like the dawn, her
salvation like a blazing torch.**

“For Zion’s sake”

Psalm 85:11

**Faithfulness springs forth
from the earth, and
righteousness looks down
from heaven.**

“For Zion’s sake”

**“The LORD expresses His
determination to make
Jerusalem a lighthouse
for the world.”**

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“and praise the LORD”

Isaiah 62:2-9

2 The nations will see your righteousness, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will bestow. **3** You will be a crown of splendor in the LORD’s hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

4 No longer will they call you
Deserted, or name your land
Desolate. But you will be called
Hephzibah, and your land Beulah ;
for the LORD will take delight in
you, and your land will be married.

5 As a young man marries a maiden,
so will your sons marry you; as a
bridegroom rejoices over his bride,
so will your God rejoice over you.

“and praise the LORD”

God throughout the Old Testament renamed people and places as He uses them for His purpose. He will call Zion “My Delight Is in Her” and “Married” instead of “Deserted” and “Desolate.”

6 I have posted watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night. You who call on the LORD, give yourselves no rest, **7** and give him no rest till he establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth.

8 The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm:

“Never again will I give your grain as food for your enemies, and never again will foreigners drink the new wine for which you have toiled;

9 but those who harvest it will eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather the grapes will drink it in the courts of my sanctuary.”

“and praise the LORD”

“Isaiah wants faithful men and women to pray to God, giving Him no rest until His glorious promises regarding Zion are fulfilled. Here, then, is a call for fervent and persistent intercession.”

D.A. Carson

“and praise the LORD”

Luke 18:1-8

1 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.

2 He said: “In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. **3** And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, ‘Grant me justice against my adversary.’”

4 “For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, ‘Even though I don’t fear God or care about men, **5** yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won’t eventually wear me out with her coming’ ”

6 And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says.

7 And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night?

Will he keep putting them off?

8 I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?”

“and praise the LORD”

“The prophets of Israel [in v. 7] issued constant warnings about lurking enemies and prayed for Jerusalem to be a praise.”

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Isaiah 62:10-12

10 Pass through, pass through the gates! Prepare the way for the people. Build up, build up the highway! Remove the stones. Raise a banner for the nations.

12 They will be called the Holy People, the Redeemed of the LORD; and you will be called Sought After, the City No Longer Deserted. **11** The LORD has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: “Say to Daughter Zion, ‘See, your Savior comes! See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him.’ ”

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Galatians 4:26-27

26 But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is our mother. **27** For it is written: “Be glad, O barren woman, you bears no children; break forth and cry aloud, you who have no labor pains; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband.”

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Matthew 21:5

“Say to the Daughter of Zion, ‘See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’ ”

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1 Peter 2:9-10

9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. **10** Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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Revelation 2:17

Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to the one who receives it.

Applications

- **Remember we are a new person in Jesus**
- **Tell people we're a new person in Jesus**
- **Show people we're a new person in Jesus**

Final Thoughts

“This is what the church, though broken and fallible, is all about. As we become a part of the people of God, we discover how valuable and important we are. When the church is the church, each of us playing our own part in the complex dance, we find ourselves... Like the people of Israel contributing to the building of the tabernacle, we each, moved by the Spirit, have something to contribute.”

“Those who cannot sing can do the accounts, and those who cannot teach can organize fellowship meals. Each one has a vital part to fill. Those on the outside of such relationships look with wonder and longing, just as god says the nations will look in upon hie redeemed people.”

John N. Oswalt

Final Thoughts

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: The old has gone, the new has come!

18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:

19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. **21** God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.