I. Intro – The Prophet Isaiah

- A. Isaiah The Man, His Times, and His Ministry
 - Theme: Isaiah was a man called by God to apply God's Word to the turbulent times in which he lived, and to call God's people to behold God and live with hope in the midst of uncertain and difficult days.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 1:1
 - 3. Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5
- B. The Call of Isaiah Part 1 His Vision
 - Theme: Isaiah was given a revelation of God's glory and holiness, which revealed his own weakness and sin, and then he received atonement from God.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 6:1-7
 - 3. Reading: Revelation 4:1-11
- C. The Call of Isaiah Part 2 His Commissioning
 - 1. Theme: Like Isaiah, we are commissioned to speak God's truth, and the measure of success is faithfulness to the truth, not the response of the hearers.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 6:8-13
 - 3. Reading: Matthew 13:10-17

II. God's Word to His People

- A. The Grand Arraignment
 - Theme: Through Isaiah, God is bringing a covenant lawsuit against His people, exposing their sin, announcing their punishment, and offering forgiveness and reconciliation if they will repent.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 1 (read verses 1-9)
 - 3. Reading: James 1:19-27
- B. God's Glorious Covenant People
 - 1. Theme: Despite their present failures, Isaiah saw the glorious future for God's people, when people from all nations would come to learn and walk in God's ways.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 2:1-5
 - 3. Reading: Psalm 87
 - 4. Response: Communion led by Garey or Jer
 - 5. Benediction: Psalm 67

- C. In the Valley of Decision: Where is Your Trust?
 - Theme: Believers are faced with a decision of where to place their trust - in God, His Promise and His Kingdom, or in the kingdoms of this world.

2. Text: Isaiah 7

3. Reading: Psalm 20

4. Response: Communion

Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

- D. The Firm Foundation of God's Word
 - Theme: When facing difficult times, we are called to build on the firm foundation of God's Word, not looking to other sources for strength.

2. Text: Isaiah 8:11-22

3. Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22

4. Response: How Firm A Foundation

5. Benediction: Acts 20:32

- E. The Sign of Immanuel God With Us
 - 1. Theme: God's promise to be with us, which was typified by many people and events in the Old Testament, is ultimately fulfilled in Jesus Christ, who is Immanuel, God with us.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 7:13-17; 8:1-10; 9:1-7

3. Reading: Matthew 4:12-17

4. Response: Communion

5. Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

III. God's Word to the Nations

- A. God's Sovereignty Over Human History
 - 1. Theme: God rules over the affairs of human history, working all things out for the purity and good of His people.

2. Text: Isaiah 10:5-19

3. Reading: Psalm 115

4. Response: Communion

5. Benediction: Romans 15:13

- B. The Day of the Lord for the Nations
 - Theme: Just as God appointed a day to judge Babylon, so there will be a day when every human will stand before God - either clothed in their own sin or in the righteousness of Christ.

2. Text: Isaiah 13

3. Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

4. Response: Communion

5. Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

- C. The Day of Redemption for the Nations
 - 1. Theme: Although the day of the Lord is a day of judgment for the nations that have rejected God, He is calling a remnant from every nation to be part of His people.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 19:16-25
 - 3. Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22
 - 4. Response: Communion
 - 5. Benediction: Isaiah 19:25 paraphrase

IV. The Historical Hinge

- A. Hezekiah's Faith Assyria Falling
 - 1. Theme: Those who trust God and His Word will find His deliverance and protection, while those who defiantly reject it will fall.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 36-37 (36:1-3)
 - 3. Reading: Hebrews 11:1-6
 - 4. Response: Communion
 - 5. Benediction: Psalm 20:1-5
- B. Hezekiah's Folly Babylon Rising
 - 1. Theme: Hezekiah's folly and pride sealed the downfall of his people, but Christ's wise obedience seals blessing for God's people.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 38-39 (38:1-6; 39:1-8)

- 3. Reading: Acts 2:29-36
- 4. Response: Lydia Parlett Baptism
- 5. Benediction: Psalm 115:14-15

V. God's Word to His People in Exile

- A. Comfort for God's People
 - 1. Theme: Our God is the Self-sufficient, Inexhaustible Ruler of the universe, and He has promised to deliver His people who expectantly wait on Him.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 40
 - 3. Reading: Luke 3:2-6
 - 4. Response: Communion
 - 5. Benediction: Romans 15:13
- B. The Lord and the gods of this World
 - Theme: By His Sovereignty over history, Yahweh shows He is the only True God, and the only One worthy of our trust, worship, and life.
 - 2. Text: Isaiah 41:21-24
 - 3. Reading: Ephesians 5:1-7
 - 4. Response: Prayer
 - 5. Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

C. The Servant of the Lord

 Theme: Jesus the Messiah, the True Servant of the Lord, has brought God's justice and gentle mercy to the people of the whole world.

2. Text: Isaiah 42:1-9

3. Reading: Matthew 12:15-21

4. Response: Communion

5. Benediction: Genesis 12:2-3

D. Suffering Servant, Exalted King

1. Theme: Jesus, the Servant of the Lord, suffered and died for our sins, is now exalted as King, and offers life to us.

2. Text: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

3. Reading: Luke 24:13-27

4. Response: Communion

5. Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21

E. Invitation to the Feast

 Theme: God invites us to turn from the idols of this world which can never really satisfy, and to come to Him and receive that which fully satisfies the hunger and thirst of our souls.

2. Text: Isaiah 55

3. Reading: Advent reading

4. Response: Communion

5. Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

F. The New Heavens and Earth

 Theme: God has promised a new heavens and earth, which believers begin to experience now, and will be completed at the return of Christ.

2. Text: Isaiah 65:17-25

3. Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

4. Response: Communion

5. Benediction: Romans 15:13

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