

Isaiah
Chapter 18

v. 7-- We are His (see verse 2). The Gentiles whom He has chosen will bear fruit and be His chosen people!

Chapter 19

v. 1-- When the Holy Spirit comes into us, it is as the Lord comes in a cloud--as Jesus coming on a cloud in His second coming will be in His people through the Holy Spirit. "idols" here refers to anything worthless and empty, or vain. When we become filled with the Holy Spirit, we see how vain and worthless and empty our lives were before--and the word for "heart" means the totality of our feelings and emotions, which the Lord molds, if we ask Him to, with His presence in our lives. Jesus said the kingdom of God is within us, and that we should not look for Him here or there, but He will come from east to west as lightning. This is through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This is the midst of His second coming!

v. 2-- We find ourselves in a different position with our families, friends and neighbors because of the change in us. Sometimes we are at odds with them, and lose friends because of it.

v. 3-- Some people who haven't built their faith on solid rock when this happens, will turn away and turn to the occult and other sources, or merely turn to the things of this world, which, somehow seem easier to understand to them.

v. 4-- These people the Lord will not force back to Himself. He never forces any of us. They will find themselves under the cruel lordship of Satan whether purposely or not.

v. 5-- These people will not thrive on the Living Water of the Holy Spirit and the Loving Presence of God, because they are not open to receive it.

v. 6-7-- As a result their hearts and emotions will be molded by Satan instead of God and they will have, instead of the joys and fruits of the Spirit, Satan's "gifts" of depression, fear, anxiety, etc.

v. 8-10-- All of God's people are knit together in a beautiful way, far beyond our understanding, and the Body of Christ is reliant on its parts for many things, therefore, when one of these people fall, as described in the previous verses, many people in the Body will feel the loss, because we are all dependent on each other and on the Power of God in each other.