

Isaiah
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v. 17-- But those who still cling to the things of this world, cannot feel nor understand His great love and kindness. Even Christians, who trust in their salvation through Jesus, don't turn to fully living His life in the meantime. (See Jeremiah 44:3-5 and 48:7) Sometimes we tend to forget God when things are going good, and turn to Him only in troubles. (See Jeremiah 2:27-29 & Deut. 8:13 & 14)

v. 18-20-- So many of us who claim Jesus as our Lord, can be very blind. Jesus said, to whom more is given, more is expected, He expects more of His chosen people than to read a little of the Bible everyday as an "assignment". He wants us to really seek Him--not carnally, for that way we are blind, but spiritually, for that way we can see. (Deut. 4:29-32 & Deut. 4:9)

v. 21-- The Lord is happy to make His New Covenant with us. By this new covenant, we are recipients of the Old Covenant and all the promises made at Mt. Horeb. (Deut. 5:2 & 3)

v. 22-- But so many people are kept in Satan's prison--told we cannot receive these promises, that they were for the Old Testament Jews. They are for us, the descendents of Abraham (Gal. 3:14), but we don't claim them!

v. 23-25-- Who will listen to what the Lord wants for the future? God has no choice but to let us go when we refuse to turn to Him and accept His protection. He gave us free will and when we refuse to walk with Him, He can't help us. When this happens, people don't realize it--they don't know what power they have through Christ, because they've been lied to so long. Jesus said in Luke 11:23 that "he that gathereth not with Me scattereth". If we are not gathering our rights won by Christ against Satan, we are working against God.

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v. 1-- We are His people through Jesus Christ, we are recipients of all these things!

v. 2-7-- He is telling of the power and protection we have against Satan, how he already has been defeated, and The Lord will demonstrate this to all who believe!!!

v. 8-- The blind who have eyes, and the deaf who have ears are those chosen people who are called by Him, but who as yet have not been told the Good News. When they do hear of it, they will be fertile soil for the seed to fall on, and it will produce.