

The Road So Far: Isaiah 1–32 Teaching Outline

Theme: From Rebellion to Remnant — God’s Justice, Mercy, and Sovereign Plan

I. Rebellion and Ruin (Isaiah 1–5)

Focus: Judah’s moral collapse and divine indictment

- Isaiah 1: A courtroom of covenant betrayal — empty rituals, ignored justice
- Isaiah 2–4: Judgment and hope — pride humbled, Zion purified
- Isaiah 5: The Vineyard Song — God’s grief over fruitless faith

Teaching Thread: God desires righteousness over ritual; justice over gestures.

II. Calling and Commission (Isaiah 6)

Focus: Isaiah’s temple vision and prophetic calling

- Isaiah 6: Holy encounter, cleansing coal, and a hard mission

Teaching Thread: True calling begins with awe, cleansing, and surrender.

III. Crisis and Covenant (Isaiah 7–12)

Focus: Ahaz’s fear, Immanuel’s promise, and messianic hope

- Isaiah 7: Ahaz’s refusal, God’s sign — Immanuel
- Isaiah 9: Light in darkness — “Unto us a child is born”
- Isaiah 11: The Branch from Jesse — Spirit-filled justice
- Isaiah 12: Songs of salvation

Teaching Thread: In crisis, God offers covenantal hope — not escape, but Immanuel.

IV. Oracles to the Nations (Isaiah 13–23)

Focus: Judgment on prideful empires — Babylon, Moab, Egypt, Tyre

- Isaiah 13–14: Babylon’s fall — arrogance undone
- Isaiah 19: Egypt’s transformation — enemies become worshipers
- Isaiah 23: Tyre’s wealth judged — commerce without covenant

Teaching Thread: God’s justice is global; His mercy reaches even the enemy.

V. Woe and Worship (Isaiah 24–27)

Focus: Cosmic judgment and remnant rejoicing

- Isaiah 24: Earth mourns — sin’s universal toll
- Isaiah 25: Feast on the mountain — death swallowed
- Isaiah 26–27: Songs of trust and restoration

Teaching Thread: Judgment clears the way for joy; worship rises from the ruins.

VI. Warnings and Wisdom (Isaiah 28–32)

Focus: False alliances vs. divine refuge

- Isaiah 28: Drunken leaders, rejected cornerstone
- Isaiah 30: Trust in Egypt condemned — “In returning and rest...”
- Isaiah 32: A righteous king and quiet confidence

Teaching Thread: Wisdom is found not in worldly alliances, but in waiting on God.

Closing Reflection:

Isaiah 1–32 is a journey from shattered altars to whispered hope. It’s a call to return, to trust, and to see beyond judgment into the heart of a God who longs to restore.