**The Way Christian Church**
4122 S Hwy 95 • Ft. Mohave, AZ. 86426
(928) 768-9292

# Pastor Roy's Sermon on Isaiah 1:9-31
# (October 25, 2026)
## *—Below are questions from that lesson to further our understanding—*

1. The sermon describes how God always preserves a remnant even in the midst of widespread sin and judgment — what does this reveal about the nature of God's mercy, and how does the existence of that remnant challenge or encourage your own faith?
2. Isaiah compares the leaders and people of Judah to the rulers and inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah — in what ways do you see parallels between the spiritual condition of Judah and the condition of our own nation or community today?
3. God declares in Isaiah 1:11 that He has no delight in the multitude of sacrifices offered without a true heart — how do you personally guard against allowing your worship, prayer, or church attendance to become empty ritual rather than genuine devotion?
4. The sermon draws a sharp distinction between outward religious performance and inward obedience, referencing 1 Samuel 15:22 — where in your own spiritual life might you be substituting religious activity for true surrender and obedience to God?
5. Isaiah 1:15 warns that God will not listen to the prayers of those whose hands are full of blood and whose lives are marked by injustice — how does this passage challenge the way we think about the relationship between personal holiness and the effectiveness of our prayers?
6. The promise in Isaiah 1:18 that sins as scarlet can become white as snow is one of the most profound offers of grace in all of Scripture — what does it mean to you personally that God initiates this invitation to reason together rather than waiting for us to come to Him first?
7. The sermon highlights that God calls His people to seek justice for the fatherless and plead the cause of the widow in Isaiah 1:17 — in what practical ways is your faith community actively responding to the needs of the vulnerable and marginalized in your area?
8. God describes Himself as weary of bearing the hollow religious observances of His people in Isaiah 1:14, and Jesus echoes this in Revelation 3:16 with His warning about lukewarmness — what specific steps can a believer take to reignite genuine passion and reverence in their relationship with God?
9. The sermon compares the spiritual decay of Judah to a withered tree with no fruit, connecting it to the cursed fig tree in Matthew 21 — what does this image of visible, outward spiritual death warn us about the long-term consequences of following empty religion rather than a living relationship with Christ?
10. Isaiah 1:19-20 presents a clear choice between willing obedience leading to blessing and stubborn rebellion leading to destruction — how does the reality of this divine ultimatum shape the way you approach daily decisions about faithfulness and surrender to God's commands?