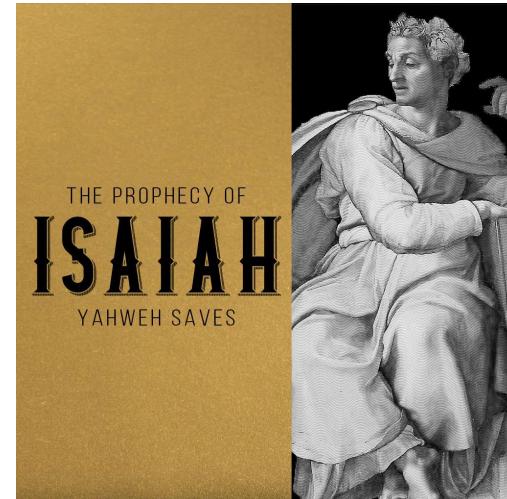


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Vs. 17 > Do Right Things for the Right Reasons

- It has been said that salvation is by grace through faith, but faith works. How do good works validate true faith?
- How do we keep from falling into a works-based mindset when we relate to God?
- Who are some of the people God specifically calls us to minister to?
- Why do it seem easier to love God than it does to love others?

Discussion Points for “Be Reasonable” Isaiah 1:10-18



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Isaiah 1:¹⁸ “Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the Lord, “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.

The people of Judah, who Isaiah is speaking to have wandered from the Lord into idolatry and wickedness. They are living a lifestyle of perpetual sin, yet they are still pretending to serve and follow God. Isaiah's opening chapter, which Jeff taught so well on this last Wednesday, is a message from God to His people, confronting them in their sin and hypocrisy. So, what is God calling US to do as His covenant people who are in Christ? How is He calling US to be reasonable?

Discussion Points

Vs. 10-15 > Stop Using Religious or Spiritual Activity as a Smokescreen for Our Sin

- What are some ways people hide behind religious activity?
- Why do we sometimes seek to hide or justify our sin rather than deal with it?

- What are some ways we can hold ourselves accountable or ask others to hold us accountable?
- How do we tend to respond when others “call us out” on our sin?

Vs. 16 > Come Into Agreement with God About Our Sin

- What are some ways we tend to “argue” with God about our sin rather than agreeing with Him?
- What keeps us locked in the argument with Him rather than submitting to Him and His Word?
- What is it about repentance that makes us feel so much better?
- What strategies can we use to “stay in agreement” with God once we repent?
- How can we respond to the conviction of the Holy Spirit without falling into condemnation?

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