

### 1.1.1 I am your strength

It is written:

Why do you say,

O Jacob, and complain,

O Israel: "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my just claim is passed over by my God"? Have you not known?

Have you not heard?

The everlasting God, the Lord,

The Creator of the ends of the earth,

Neither faints nor is weary.

His understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the weak,

And to those who have no might He increases strength.

Even the youths shall faint and be weary,

And the young men shall utterly fall,

But those who wait on the Lord Shall renew their strength;

They shall mount up with wings like eagles,

They shall run and not be weary,

They shall walk and not faint. (Isaiah 40:27-31)

[ ] Do you believe He can give strength to those who believe?

### 1.1.2 Whom will you ask for help

It is written: What will you do on the day of reckoning, when disaster comes from afar? To whom will you run for help? Where will you leave your riches? Nothing will remain but to cringe among the captives or fall among the slain. Yet for all this, his anger is not turned away, his hand is still upraised. (Isaiah 10:3-4 NIV)

[ ] Are you prepared for the coming judgment?

### 1.1.3 You are like grass in the field

It is written: A voice says, "Cry out." And I said, "What shall I cry? All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall, because the breath of the LORD blows on them. Surely the people are grass. The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever." (Isaiah 40:6-8 NIV)

[ ] Do you know that all establishments outside of His foundation and word are temporary?

### 1.1.4 What you said will find you

It is written: The LORD takes his place in court; he rises to judge the people. The LORD enters into judgment against the elders and leaders of his people: "It is you who have ruined my vineyard; the plunder from the poor is in your houses. What do you mean by crushing my people and grinding the faces of the poor?" declares the Lord, the LORD Almighty. (Isaiah 3:13-15 NIV)

Why do you boast of evil, you mighty man?

Why do you boast all day long, O mighty man?

You who are a disgrace in the eyes of God.

Your tongue devises destruction,

Like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.

You love evil more than good,

Lying rather than speaking righteousness. Selah

You love all devouring words,

You deceitful tongue. (Psalm 52:1-4)

Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. (Matthew 7:1-2 KJV)

Beware: These (your spoken words) will find you on earth in your generation and in the final judgment day. Repent!

[ ] Did you know people will be judged by the word of God and their own standard?

### 1.1.5 What you abused will find you

It is written: Woe to those who make unjust laws, to those who issue oppressive decrees, to deprive the poor of their rights and withhold justice from the oppressed of my people, making widows their prey and robbing the fatherless. (Isaiah 10:1-2 NIV)

[ ] Do you believe authority is given from God to care for people and to be accountable to God?

### 1.1.6 What you have wasted: Space, Land, Possession

It is written: Woe to you who add house to house and join field to field till no space is left and you live alone in the land. The LORD Almighty has declared in my hearing: "Surely the great houses will become desolate, the fine mansions left without occupants. A ten-acre vineyard will produce only a bath of wine, a homer of seed only an ephah of grain.

Woe to those who rise early in the morning to run after their drinks, who stay up late at night till they are inflamed with wine. They have harps and lyres at their banquets, tambourines and flutes and wine, but they have no regard for the deeds of the LORD, no respect for the work of his hands.

Therefore my people will go into exile for lack of understanding; their men of rank will die of hunger and their masses will be parched with thirst.

Therefore the grave enlarges its appetite and opens its mouth without limit; into it will descend their nobles and masses with all their brawlers and revelers. So man will be brought low and mankind humbled, the eyes of the arrogant humbled.

But the LORD Almighty will be exalted by his justice, and the holy God will show himself holy by his righteousness. Then sheep will graze as in their own pasture; lambs will feed among the ruins of the rich." (Isaiah 5:8-17 NIV)

[ ] Did you know a lack of knowledge of the Lord will lead you to ruin?

### **1.1.7 Woe to you!**

#### **A. Who speaks against God**

It is written: "Woe to him who quarrels with his Maker, to him who is but a potsherd among the potsherds on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter, 'What are you making?' Does your work say, 'He has no hands'?" (Isaiah 45:9 NIV)

#### **B. Who works in hiding against God**

It is written: Woe to those who go to great depths to hide their plans from the LORD, who do their work in darkness and think, "Who sees us? Who will know?" You turn things upside down, as if the potter were thought to be like the clay!

Shall what is formed say to him who formed it, "He did not make me?" Can the pot say of the potter, "He knows nothing?" (Isaiah 29:15-16 NIV)

#### **C. Who speaks against parents of life**

It is written: Woe to him who says to his father, 'What have you begotten?' or to his mother, 'What have you brought to birth?' (Isaiah 45:10 NIV)

#### **D. Woe to traitors**

It is written: Woe to you, O destroyer, you who have not been destroyed! Woe to you, O traitor, you who have not been betrayed! When you stop destroying, you will be destroyed; when you stop betraying, you will be betrayed. (Isaiah 33:1 NIV)

#### **E. Who are wise in own their eyes**

It is written: Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and clever in their own sight. (Isaiah 5:21 NIV)

#### **F. Heroes of drink and rejection of the law of God**

It is written: Woe to those who are heroes at drinking wine and champions at mixing drinks, who acquit the guilty for a bribe, but deny justice to the innocent.

Therefore, as tongues of fire lick up straw and as dry grass sinks down in the flames, so their roots will decay and their flowers blow away like dust; for they have rejected the law of the LORD Almighty and spurned the word of the Holy One of Israel.

Therefore the LORD's anger burns against his people; his hand is raised and he strikes them down. The mountains shake, and the dead bodies are like refuse in the streets. Yet for all this, his anger is not turned away, his hand is still upraised. (Isaiah 5:22-25 NIV)

### **G. Perverting truth**

It is written: Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter. (Isaiah 5:20 NIV)

### **H. Those who say "let God hurry"**

It is written: Woe to those who draw sin along with cords of deceit, and wickedness as with cart ropes, to those who say, "Let God hurry, let him hasten his work so that we may see it. Let it approach, let the plan of the Holy One of Israel come, so that we may know it." (Isaiah 5:18-19 NIV)

[ ] Are there quarrels in your heart with the maker?

[ ] Did you know God sees everything and nothing can be hidden from Him?

[ ] Do you know pride is the prelude for destruction?

[ ] Did you know fools mock death, and God calls them stupid?

[ ] Do you know who works to dilute the truth and why?

### **1.1.8 I will hear the cry of the poor**

It is written: Because his cloak is the only covering he has for his body. What else will he sleep in? When he cries out to me, I will hear, for I am compassionate. (Exodus 22:27 NIV)

My angel will go ahead of you, I will send my terror ahead of you and throw into confusion every nation you encounter. I will make all your enemies turn their backs and run. (Exodus 23:23,27 NIV)

[ ] Did you know the time of judgment comes when cries of injustice fill the cup?

### 1.1.9 Know these facts found by Solomon

It is a gift; power comes from above when we obey the word; our roots are not on earth but above.

It is written: He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end. I know that whatever God does, it shall be forever. Nothing can be added to it, and nothing taken from it. God does it, that men should fear before Him. (Ecclesiastes 3:11,14)

Here is what I have seen: It is good and fitting for one to eat and drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labor in which he toils under the sun all the days of his life which God gives him; for it is his heritage. As for every man to whom God has given riches and wealth, and given him power to eat of it, to receive his heritage and rejoice in his labor-this is the gift of God. (Ecclesiastes 5:18-19)

Though a sinner does evil a hundred times, and his days are prolonged, yet I surely know that it will be well with those who fear God, who fear before Him. (Ecclesiastes 8:12)

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this are man's all. For God will bring every work into judgment, including every secret thing, whether good or evil. (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14)

[ ] Do you know God always does what is right?

### 1.1.10 God's broken heart

It is written: I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watch tower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit.

Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge

between me and my vineyard. What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad?

Now I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it will be destroyed; I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled. I will make it a wasteland, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it. The vineyard of the LORD Almighty is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are the garden of his delight. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress. (Isaiah 5:1-7 NIV)

"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me. To a nation that did not call on my name,

I said, 'Here am I, here am I.' All day long I have held out my hands to an obstinate people, who walk in ways not good, pursuing their own imaginations—a people who continually provoke me to my very face, offering sacrifices in gardens and burning incense on altars of brick; who sit among the graves and spend their nights keeping secret vigil; who eat the flesh of pigs, and whose pots hold broth of unclean meat; who say, 'Keep away; don't come near me, for I am too sacred for you!'

Such people are smoke in my nostrils, a fire that keeps burning all day. See, it stands written before me; I will not keep silent but will pay back in full; I will pay it back into their laps both your sins and the sins of your fathers," says the LORD. "Because they burned sacrifices on the mountains and defied me on the hills, I will measure into their laps the full payment for their former deeds." (Isaiah 65:1-7 NIV)

[ ] Do you know God has emotions, that of love?