

## Isaiah Week 2

# ISAIAH

THE FIFTH GOSPEL



# Isaiah 1: 1 (NIV)

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ISRAEL

★ Samaria

Shechem ○

○ Jerash

**KINGDOM OF AMMON**

○ Jafa

○ Beit El

○ Rabbat

○ Jericho

○ Ashdod

★

Jerusalem

○

Lachish

○ Ashkelon

○ Dibon

**PHILISTINE STATES**

**KINGDOM OF JUDAH**

**KINGDOM OF MOAB**

○ Hebron

○ Gaza

○ Beersheba

**ARABIA**

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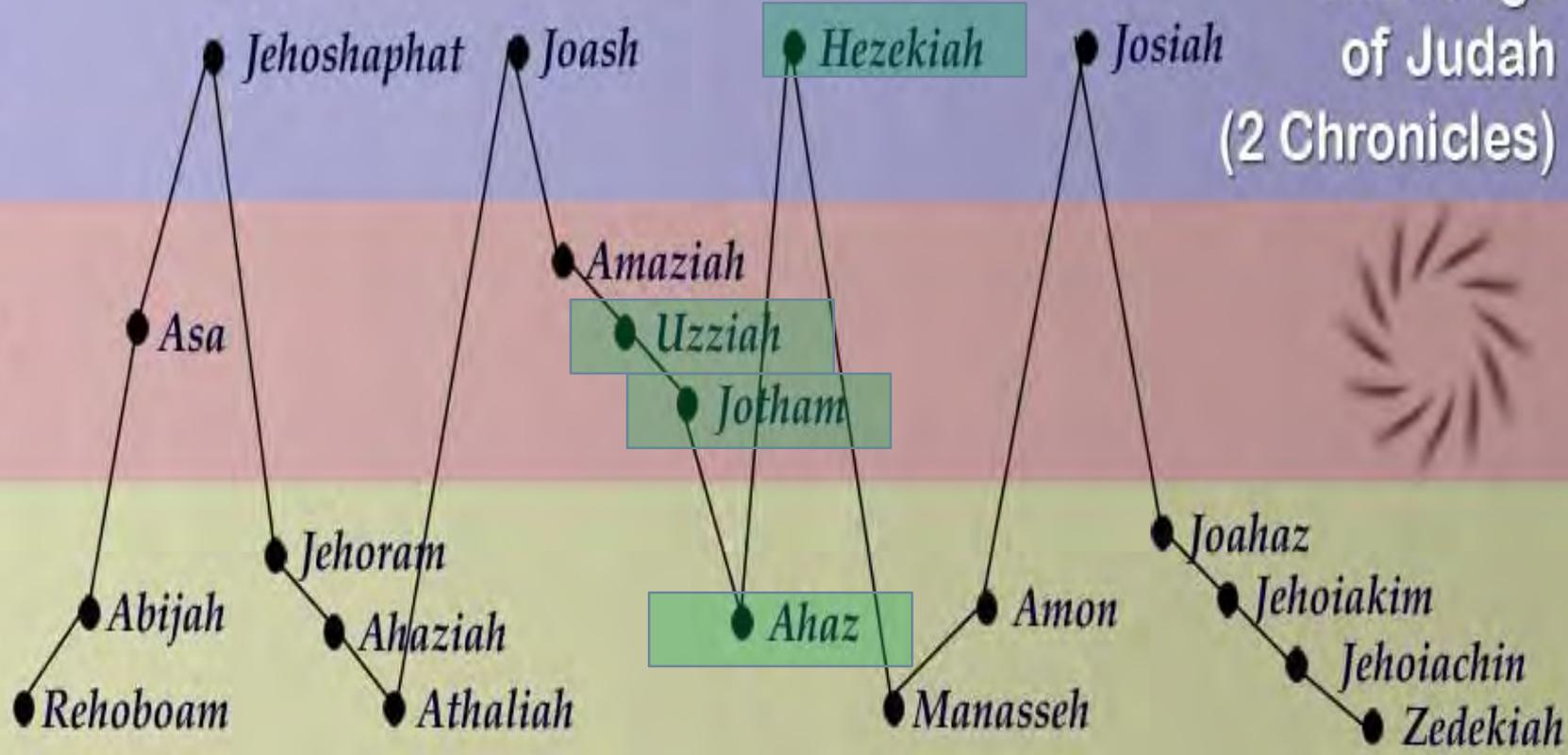
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# The Kings of Judah (2 Chronicles)

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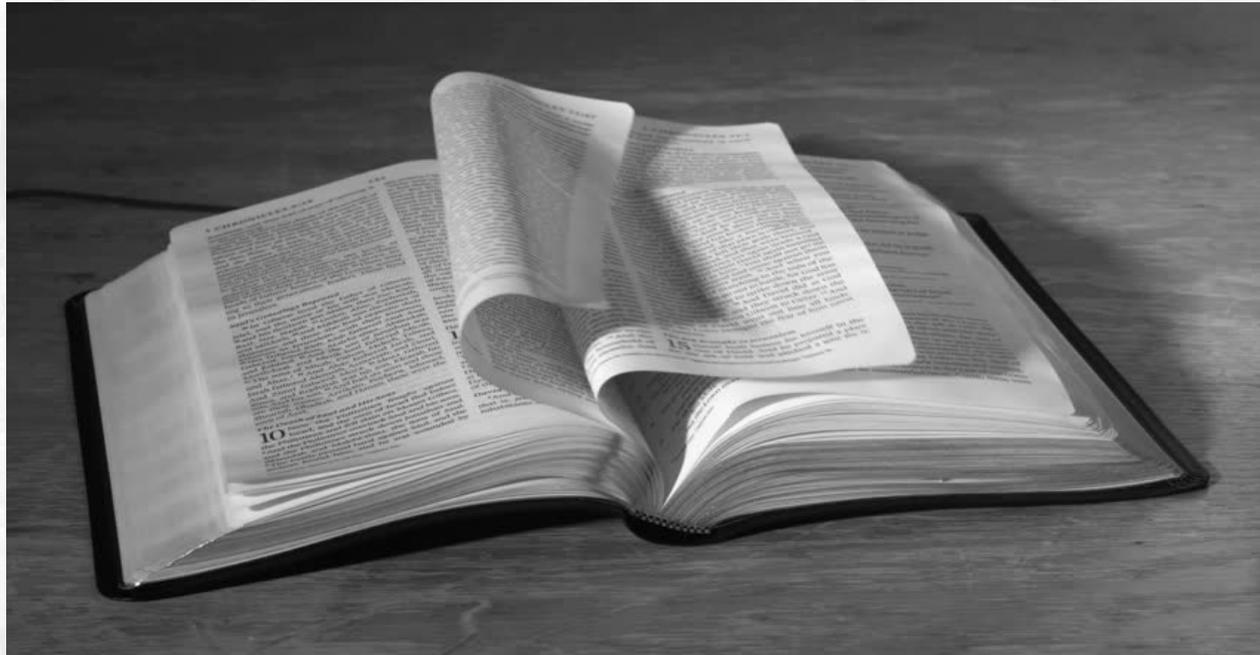
Evil



# Uzziah

- It was during Uzziah's reign that Isaiah grew up
- Uzziah prospered in everything he touched as long as Zechariah the prophet was alive
- When Zechariah died Uzziah turned away from the Lord

Please turn to:  
2 Chronicles 26



## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*Then all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who was sixteen years old, and made him king in place of his father Amaziah. He was the one who rebuilt Elath and restored it to Judah after Amaziah rested with his ancestors.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*Uzziah was sixteen years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem fifty-two years. His mother's name was Jekoliah; she was from Jerusalem. He did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, just as his father Amaziah had done.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*He sought God during the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear of God. As long as he sought the Lord, God gave him success. He went to war against the Philistines and broke down the walls of Gath, Jabneh and Ashdod. He then rebuilt towns near Ashdod and elsewhere among the Philistines.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*God helped him against the Philistines and against the Arabs who lived in Gur Baal and against the Meunites. The Ammonites brought tribute to Uzziah, and his fame spread as far as the border of Egypt, because he had become very powerful.*

# Question

What sin do the rich, famous  
and powerful typically  
struggle with?

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the Corner Gate, at the Valley Gate and at the angle of the wall, and he fortified them. He also built towers in the wilderness and dug many cisterns, because he had much livestock in the foothills and in the plain.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*He had people working his fields and vineyards in the hills and in the fertile lands, for he loved the soil. Uzziah had a well-trained army, ready to go out by divisions according to their numbers as mustered by Jeiel the secretary and Maaseiah the officer under the direction of Hananiah, one of the royal officials.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*The total number of family leaders over the fighting men was 2,600. Under their command was an army of 307,500 men trained for war, a powerful force to support the king against his enemies.*

*Uzziah provided shields, spears, helmets, coats of armor, bows and slingstones for the entire army.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*In Jerusalem he made devices invented for use on the towers and on the corner defenses so that soldiers could shoot arrows and hurl large stones from the walls. His fame spread far and wide, for he was greatly helped until he became powerful. But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*He was unfaithful to the Lord his God, and entered the temple of the Lord to burn incense on the altar of incense.*

*Azariah the priest with eighty other courageous priests of the Lord followed him in. They confronted King Uzziah and said, "It is not right for you, Uzziah, to burn incense to the Lord.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*That is for the priests, the descendants of Aaron, who have been consecrated to burn incense. Leave the sanctuary, for you have been unfaithful; and you will not be honored by the Lord God.”*

*Uzziah, who had a censer in his hand ready to burn incense, became angry.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*While he was raging at the priests in their presence before the incense altar in the Lord's temple, leprosy broke out on his forehead. When Azariah the chief priest and all the other priests looked at him, they saw that he had leprosy on his forehead, so they hurried him out. Indeed, he himself was eager to leave, because the Lord had afflicted him.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*King Uzziah had leprosy until the day he died. He lived in a separate house – leprous, and banned from the temple of the Lord. Jotham his son had charge of the palace and governed the people of the land.*

## 2 Chronicles 26: 1-23 (NIV)

*The other events of Uzziah's reign, from beginning to end, are recorded by the prophet Isaiah son of Amoz. Uzziah rested with his ancestors and was buried near them in a cemetery that belonged to the kings, for people said, "He had leprosy." And Jotham his son succeeded him as king.*

# Uzziah

- It was during this last year of Uzziah's life that Isaiah had his vision

# Isaiah 1: 2 (NIV)

Hear me, you heavens! Listen,  
earth!

For the Lord has spoken:

“I reared children and brought  
them up,

but they have rebelled against  
me.

# Question

What event starts out with the words “*Hear Ye, Hear Ye*”?

A collection of Masonic regalia is displayed on a light-colored surface. On the left, a wooden square and compass are visible, with a red ribbon and a blue ribbon attached. Several medals and ribbons are scattered around, including a prominent white star-shaped medal with a central emblem. A pair of gold-rimmed glasses lies horizontally across the lower part of the image. In the bottom left corner, a circular compass is partially visible.

Hear Ye, Hear  
Ye,  
This Court is  
Now in Session

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# Question

Who is actually speaking?

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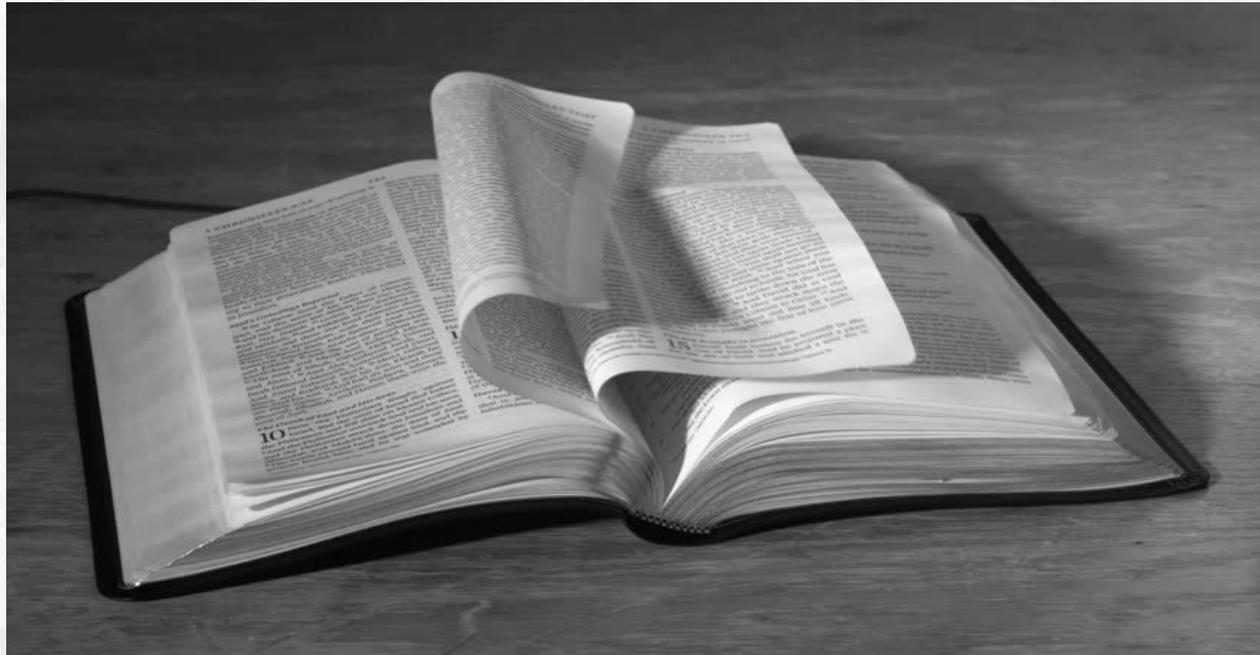
God is the complainant and  
He is bringing His charges  
against the defendants who  
are Judah and Jerusalem!

# Question

*“I reared children and brought them up,  
but they have rebelled against me.*

How do parents feel when their children rebel against them?

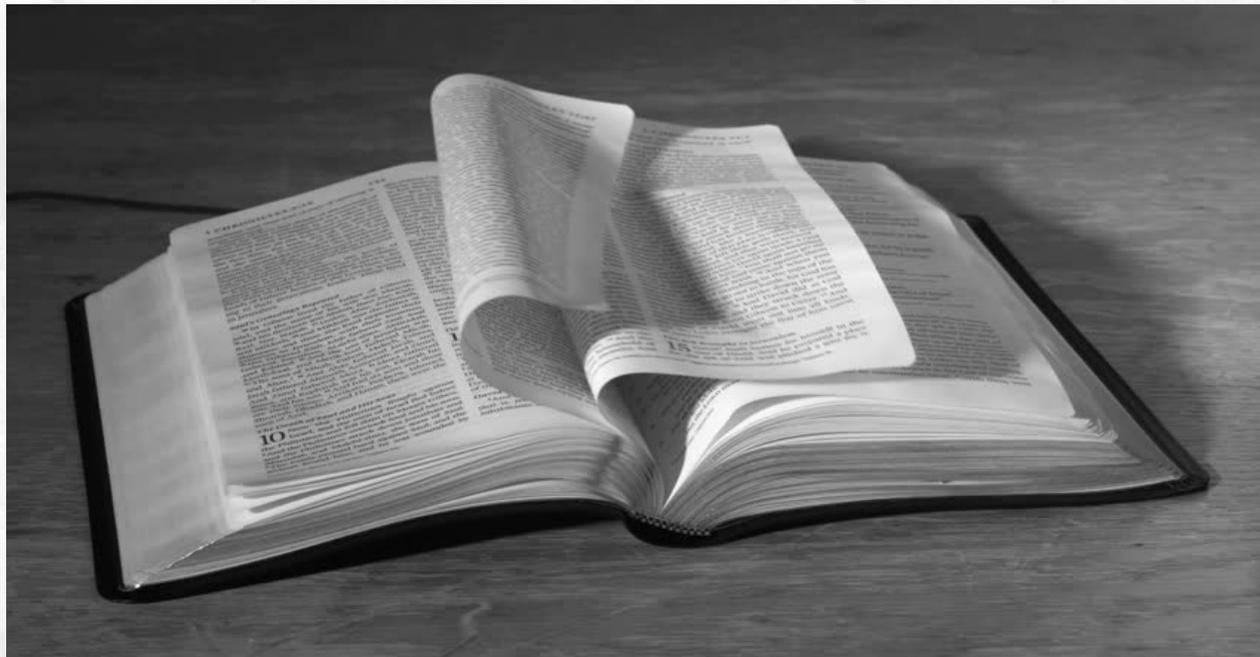
Please turn to:  
Proverbs 17:25



# Proverbs 17: 25 (NIV)

*A foolish son brings grief to his father and bitterness to the mother who bore him.*

Please turn to:  
Deuteronomy 21: 18-21



## Deuteronomy 21: 18-19 (NIV)

*If someone has a stubborn and rebellious son who does not obey his father and mother and will not listen to them when they discipline him, his father and mother shall take hold of him and bring him to the elders at the gate of his town.*

# Deuteronomy 21: 21 (NIV)

*Then all the men of his town are to stone him to death. You must purge the evil from among you. All Israel will hear of it and be afraid.*

# Isaiah 1: 3 (NIV)

*The ox knows its master,  
the donkey its owner's manger,  
but Israel does not know,  
my people do not understand."*

# Question

What is God saying here?

# Question

What is an Ox and a donkey  
known for?

Hint: Think of the phrase  
“as dumb as an ox”

# Isaiah 1: 3 (NIV)

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# Question

How well would you say the  
people of our nation know  
God?

# Isaiah 1: 4 (NIV)

Woe to the sinful nation, a people whose guilt is great, a brood of evildoers, children given to corruption!

They have forsaken the Lord; they have spurned the Holy One of Israel and turned their backs on him.

# Question

What does the word “woe” mean?

# Woe

An exclamation of judgment  
upon God's enemies

# Isaiah 1: 5 (NIV)

*Why should you be beaten  
anymore?*

*Why do you persist in rebellion?*

*Your whole head is injured,  
your whole heart afflicted.*

## **Isaiah 1: 6 (NIV)**

*From the sole of your foot to the top  
of your head there is no  
soundness –*

*only wounds and welts*

*and open sores,*

*not cleansed or bandaged*

*or soothed with olive oil.*

# Question

How do we appear to God  
when we are living in sin?



# Isaiah 1: 7 (NIV)

*Your country is desolate, your cities  
burned with fire;*

*your fields are being stripped by  
foreigners right before you,*

*laid waste as when overthrown  
by strangers.*

# Question

Sound familiar?



INDIANA

**BREAKING NEWS**

# ANGER ACROSS AMERICA

POLICE CLASH WITH PROTESTERS; MANY CITIES HAVE CURFEWS



#WORLDNEWSTONIGHT

# Isaiah 1: 8 (NIV)

*Daughter Zion is left  
like a shelter in a vineyard,  
like a hut in a cucumber field,  
like a city under siege.*

# Isaiah 1: 9 (NIV)

*Unless the Lord Almighty had left  
us some survivors,  
we would have become like Sodom,  
we would have been like Gomorrah.*

# Question

What happened to Sodom  
and Gomorrah?

# Question

What prevented God from the total destruction of Judah and Jerusalem?

# Isaiah 1: 9 (NIV)

*Unless the Lord Almighty had  
left us some survivors,*

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we would have been like Gomorrah.*

# Question

What good news does that  
give us for our nation?

# Isaiah 1: 10 (NIV)

*Hear the word of the Lord,*

*you rulers of Sodom;*

*listen to the instruction of our God,*

*you people of Gomorrah!*

# Question

Who is God speaking to?

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# Question

What is he asking them to do?

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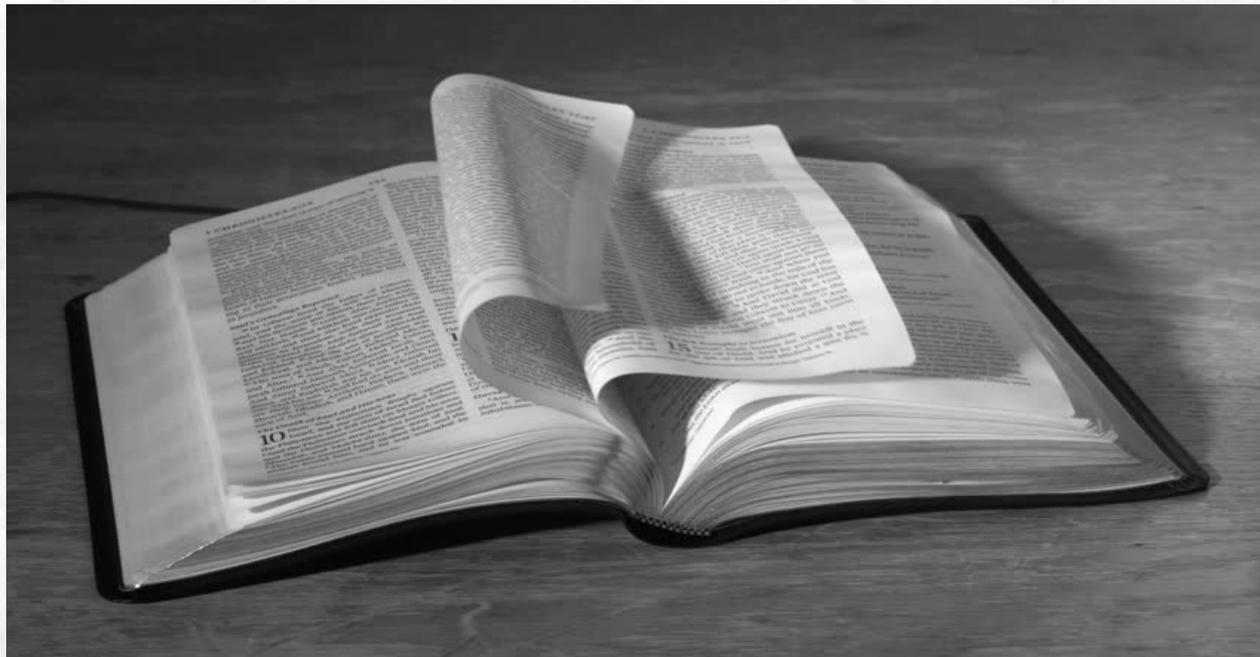
# Question

Where do we hear the Word  
of the Lord today?

**Could this be said to our nation today?**

Read your Bible you rulers  
of Sodom and obey the  
instructions of God in the  
Bible you people of  
Gomorrah!

Please turn to:  
Revelation 11: 8



## Revelation 11: 8 (KJV)

*And their dead bodies shall lie  
in the street of the great city,  
which spiritually is called  
Sodom and Egypt, where also  
our Lord was crucified.*

# Question

What was Sodom known for?

# Sodom

A city where a perverted form of morality has taken root. A city that is tolerant of sexual immorality and has accepted homosexuality as being morally correct and intolerant of the truth.

# Question

What is spiritual  
immorality?

# Spiritual Immorality

This is describing a city with a false, one world religion that accepts all perversions and cults, except for the one true faith-Christianity.



# The Church of Interfaith Christians



*A Fantastic Change Has Begun in Christianity*

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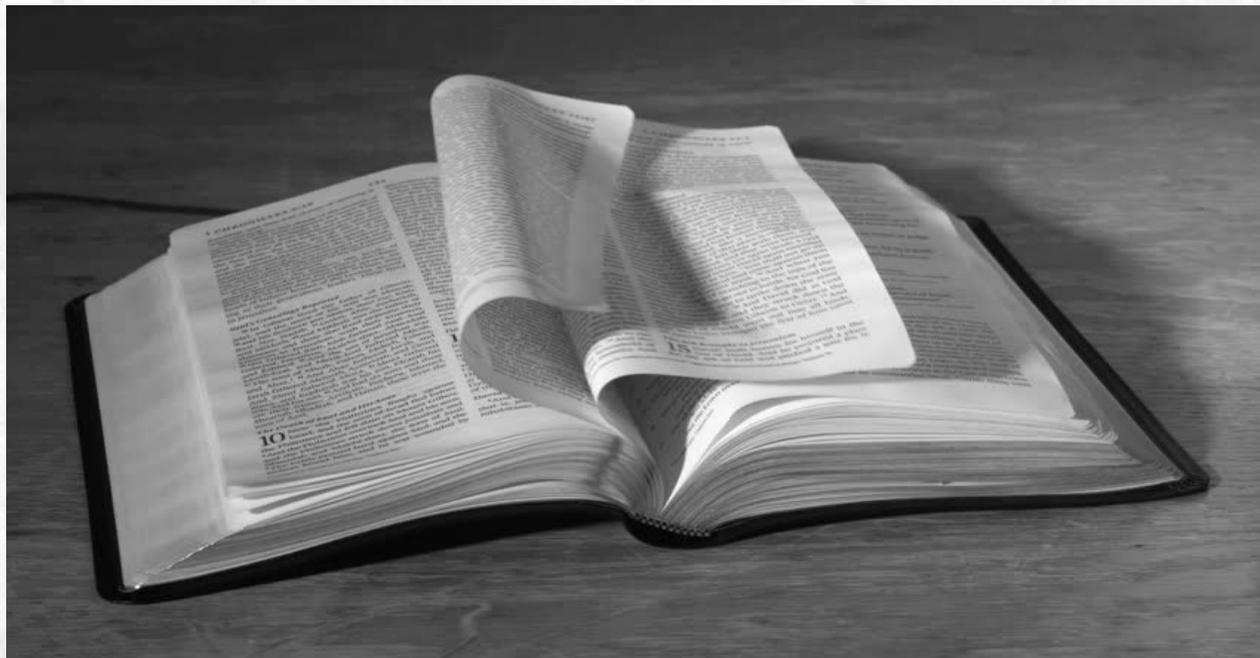
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### A Fantastic Change Has Begun in Christianity

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Please turn to:  
2 Timothy 3: 1-5



## 2 Timothy 3: 1-5

*But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days.*

*People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy*

## 2 Timothy 3: 1-5

*unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God – having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.*

## Isaiah 1: 11 (NIV)

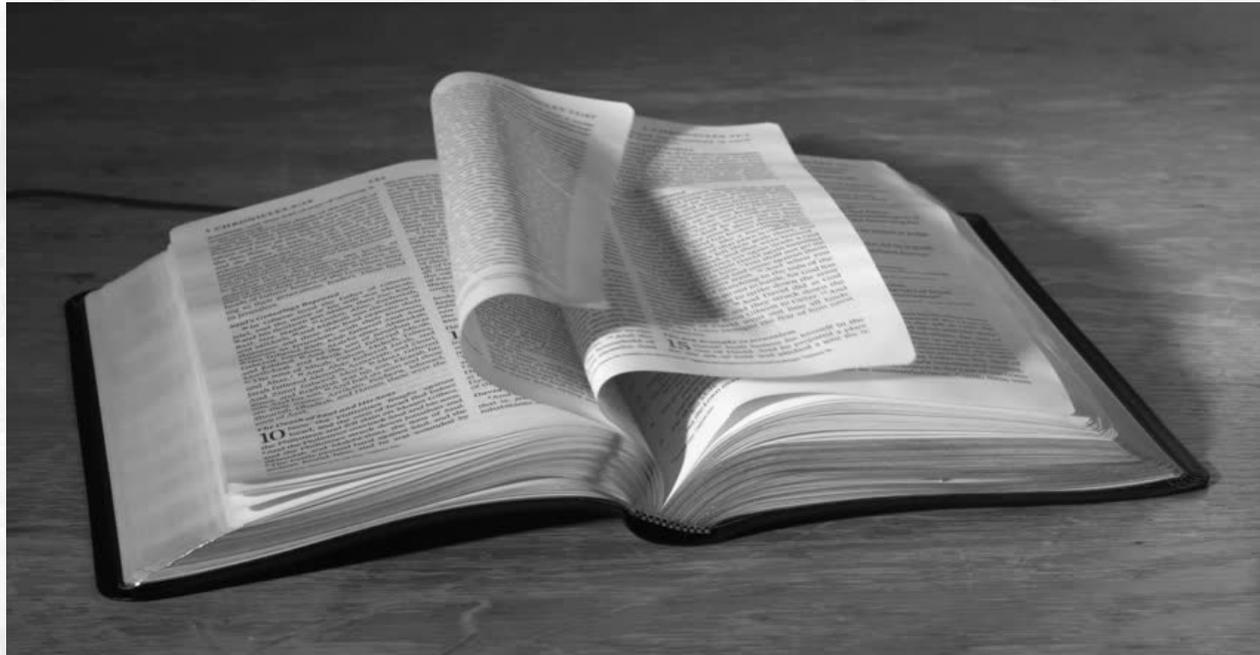
*“The multitude of your sacrifices – what are they to me?” says the Lord.*

*“I have more than enough of burnt offerings, of rams and the fat of fattened animals; I have no pleasure in the blood of bulls and lambs and goats.*

# Question

What???

Please turn to:  
Leviticus 1: 9



# Leviticus 1: 9 (NIV)

*You are to wash the internal organs and the legs with water, and the priest is to burn all of it on the altar. It is a burnt offering, a food offering, an aroma pleasing to the Lord.*

# Question

Nearly forty times in the Old Testament, God declares how pleasing the aroma of a burnt offering is so what is going on???

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# Question

Can we see the same thing  
today?



# Isaiah 1: 12 (NIV)

*When you come to appear before  
me,*

*who has asked this of you,  
this trampling of my courts?*

# Isaiah 1: 13 (NIV)

*Stop bringing meaningless offerings!*

*Your incense is detestable to me.*

*New Moons, Sabbaths and  
convocations –*

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assemblies.*

I cannot bear your church  
services, your singing and  
prayers are detestable to me  
and your offerings are  
worthless!

# Isaiah 1: 14 (NIV)

*Your New Moon feasts and your  
appointed festivals*

*I hate with all my being.*

*They have become a burden to me;*

*I am weary of bearing them.*