

Treasure Hunt

- How does the Lord Jesus fulfill the three promises in vv. 10b-12?
- What Psalm lies behind v. 11?
- What is the physical meaning of repairing the breach (v. 12)?
- What is the spiritual application of repairing the breach?

Overview of Isaiah 58-66

False vs. True Worship	58:1-14	66:1-24
Indictment & Confession	59:1-15a	63:7-65:25
The Redeemer	59:15b-21	63:1-7
Zion's Glory (2fs)	60:1-22	62:1-12
The Redeemer	61:1-11	

How Many Conditions and Promises?

Conditions

Promises

God

6 loose the wicked bands
7 feed the hungry

Isaiah

9b **If** ... take away the yoke
10a feed the hungry

God

13 **If** keep the Sabbath

8 **Then** ... thy light
9a The Lord shall answer ...

10b (Then) ... thy light
11 The Lord shall guide ...

14 **Then** ... I ... will feed thee

Fasting

Sabbath

Isaiah's Promises about Fasting

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The Lord Jesus as our Light

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Isa 50

Isaiah: 10 Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and **hath no light**? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.

The Servant: 11 Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks: **walk in the light of your fire**, and in the sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand; ye shall lie down in sorrow.

Mal 4:2 But unto you that fear my name shall the **Sun of righteousness arise** with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. (cf. Isa 58:8, “thy light ... thine health”)

Joh 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, **I am the light of the world**: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Guiding and Providing

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Psa 23	Isa 58
<p>2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.</p> <p>3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me נחה in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.</p>	<p>11 And the LORD shall guide נחה thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.</p>

Provision for the Hungry

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Isa 58:10-11 And *if* thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and **satisfy the afflicted soul**; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness *be* as the noonday: 11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and **satisfy thy soul** in drought,

Pro 11:25 The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.

Remembering the Exodus

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Isaiah	Exodus
the LORD shall ... make fat thy bones:	Exo 16:13-14 at even the quails came up, ... and in the morning... 14 ... <i>there lay</i> a small round thing (manna)
and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.	Water from the rock (Ex 17:6; Num 20:11)

The Lord Jesus as Food & Drink

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Isaiah	Our Lord	
	Physical Food	Spiritual Food
the LORD shall ... make fat thy bones:	Feeding the 4000 (Matt 15) and 5000 (Matt 14)	Joh 6:35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life : he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.
and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.	Wine at Cana of Galilee (John 2)	Joh 7:37-38 Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink . 38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

58:12 The Rebuilders

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Multiple Layers

- Nehemiah’s challenge in 445 BC (Neh 1:3): “The wall of Jerusalem also is broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.”
- “The repairer גדר of the breach פרץ, the restorer of paths נתיבות to dwell in”
 - “Paths” are country byways, not the city streets (רחובות) restored by Nehemiah.
 - Where else do we read about “repair” and “breach”?

Repairers and Breaches

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Amo 9:11-12 In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and **close up גדר the breaches פּרְצִים** thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old: 12 **That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen**, which are called by my name, saith the LORD that doeth this. → Acts 15

Recall Isaiah 2,

Isa 2:2 the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. 3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

Repairers and Breaches (2)

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Eze 13:3-5 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing! 4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts. 5 Ye have not gone up into the **gaps פּרְצִים**, neither **made up גָּדַר** the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD.

Eze 22:29-30 The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully. 30 And I sought for a man among them, that should **make up גָּדַר** the hedge, and stand in the **gap פּרְצִים** before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

Targum Jonathan on Isa 58:12:

they shall call thee one that **confirms the right way**, and **converts the ungodly** to the law.

Israel's Failure to "Repair the Breaches"

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Rom 2:17-24 Behold, thou art called a Jew, and retest in the law, and makest thy boast of God, 18 And knowest *his* will, and approvest the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law; 19 And art confident that thou thyself art a **guide** of the blind, a **light** of them which are in darkness, 20 An **instructor** of the foolish, a **teacher** of babes, which hast the form of knowledge and of the truth in the law. 21 Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal? 22 Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege? 23 Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonourest thou God? 24 **For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written.**

The Lord Jesus Repairs the Breaches

Mat 5:17-18 Think not that I am come to destroy **the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.** 18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Mat 22:35-40 Then one of them, *which was a lawyer*, asked *him a question*, tempting him, and saying, 36 Master, *which is the great commandment in the law?* 37 Jesus said unto him, **Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.** 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 And the second *is like unto it*, **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.** 40 **On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.**

Luk 10:25-28 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? 26 He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? 27 And he answering said, **Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.** 28 And he said unto him, **Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.**

Mat 28:19-20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 **Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:**