

# Treasure Hunt

- Who is the “thee” to whom this chapter is addressed, and how do we know this?
- What kinds of blessings does Isaiah promise in ch. 60?
- When are these promises fulfilled?
- How does Isaiah mark the different sections of ch. 60?
- God tells Israel to “shine.” Where does her light come from?

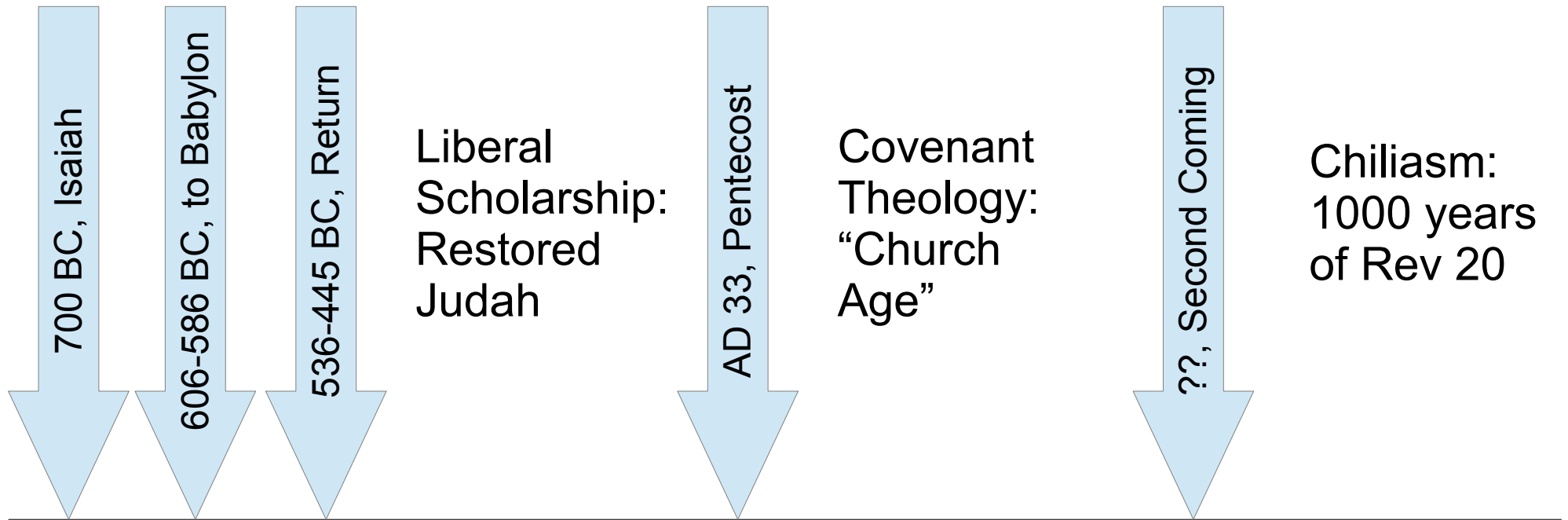
# Overview of Isaiah 58-66

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

# The Promises of Isa 60

- **Spiritual enlightenment:** 1 thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.
- **Return to the land:** 4 **thy sons** shall come from far, and **thy daughters** shall be nursed at thy side. 9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring **thy sons** from far, their silver and their gold with them,
- **Worship of God in his sanctuary:** 7 they shall come up with acceptance on **mine altar**, and I will glorify **the house of my glory**. 13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of **my sanctuary**; and I will make the place of my feet glorious.
- **Rebuilding of the city of Jerusalem:** 10 And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls,
- **Economic tribute from the Gentiles:** 6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: 16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings:

# Where do these Promises Fit?



☹️ No coming of Spirit for New Covenant

☹️ The promises far exceed what happened

😊 Coming of Spirit

😊 Gathering of Gentiles

☹️ Age of empire and colonialism ended

☹️ Secular states deny the Lord and oppose his people

☹️ Lord denies a worldly kingdom

😊 Full realization of physical as well as spiritual promises

# The Speakers in Isaiah 60

## Isaiah

## The Lord

1 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of **the LORD** is risen upon thee. 2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but **the LORD** shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. ... 6 ... they shall shew forth the praises of **the LORD**.

7 All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on **mine** altar, and **I** will glorify the house of **my** glory. ... 9 Surely the isles shall wait for **me**,

19 ... **the LORD** shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and **thy God** thy glory. 20 ... **the LORD** shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

21 Thy people also *shall be* all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of **my** planting, the work of **my** hands, that **I** may be glorified. 22 A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: **I the LORD** will hasten it in his time.

# Shift of Verb Subjects in vv. 1-6

	Zion	Others
<b>Light rekindled</b>	1a Arise, shine;	1b for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. 2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. 3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.
<b>Children returned</b>	4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see:	all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at <i>thy</i> side.
<b>Wealth restored</b>	5a Then thou shalt see, and <del>flow together</del> shine forth, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged;	5b because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee. 6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the LORD.

# v. 1a, “Arise”: Humbling and Exaltation

## The Principle (Hannah)

1Sa 2:7 The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: **he bringeth low, and lifteth up.**

## The Humbling

Isa 3:26 And her [Zion’s, v. 17] gates shall lament and mourn; and she being desolate shall **sit upon the ground.**

Isa 50:11 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.**

## The Exaltation

Isa 52:2 Shake thyself from the dust; **arise**, *and* sit down, O Jerusalem:

Psa 30:5 For his anger *endureth but* a moment; in his favour *is* life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy *cometh* in the morning.

# v. 1b, “Shine ... the Glory of the Lord”

Mat 5:14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. 15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. 16 **Let your light so shine** before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Isa 58:8 Then shall **thy light break forth as the morning**, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy rereward.

Isa 58:10 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**:

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.



# v. 2, Darkness before Dawn

Isa 59:19 When the enemy shall **come in like a flood**, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.

2Th 2:2 be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come **a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition**; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

The climax of the Revelation:

Rev 17 the great whore ... Babylon the Great ... that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth

Rev 18 Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen ... Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her

Rev 19 And **after these things** ... I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True,

Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: ... and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

# Who Comes to Whom?

## Isaiah's Promises

60:3 And the **Gentiles** shall come **to thy** light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

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**.

11:10 And in that day there shall be a **root of Jesse**, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the **Gentiles** seek: ...

54:3 **thy seed** shall inherit the **Gentiles**, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

## Present Evil Age ("evil" because state is godless)

Eph 3:3-6 the mystery ... which **in other ages was not made known** unto the children of men ... that the **Gentiles** should be fellowheirs, and of the same body [as the Jews, 2:12)

Rom 10:12 For there is no difference between the **Jew** and the **Greek**:

Gal 3:28 There is neither **Jew** nor **Greek**, ... for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Col 3:10 ye ... have put on the new *man*,  
11 Where there is neither **Greek** nor **Jew**,  
circumcision nor uncircumcision,  
Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: but  
Christ *is* all, and in all.

**Gentiles** → **Israel**

(physical & political structure & authority)

**Gentiles** → **Church** ← **Israel**

(spiritual structure and authority)