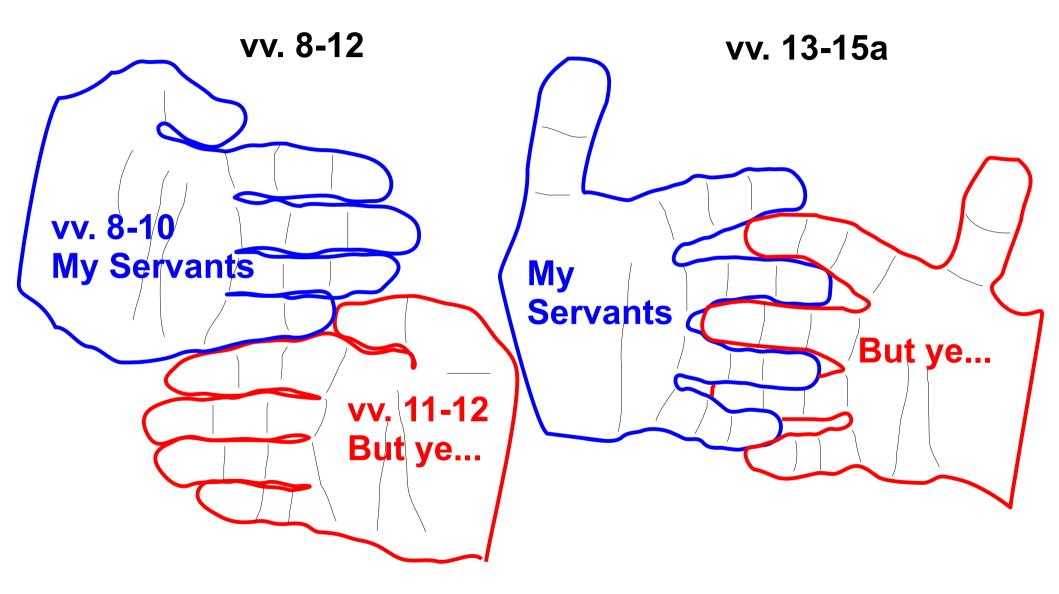
# **Treasure Hunt**

- What does it mean to "leave your name for a curse"?
- Why does Isaiah tell us to bless ourselves in the Lord's name?
- Why does he tell us to swear in the Lord's name?
- Why does God spend so much time giving us prophecies of things that haven't happened yet?

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### Servants and Sinners in 65:8-15



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#### Rounding off an Extended Alternation

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD,

- **AB**: Behold, **my servants** shall eat, but **ye** shall be hungry:
- **AB**: behold, **my servants** shall drink, but **ye** shall be thirsty:
- **AB**: behold, **my servants** shall rejoice, but **ye** shall be ashamed:
- AB: 14 Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall howl for vexation of spirit.
- **BA**: 15 And **ye** shall leave your name for a curse unto **my chosen**:

Compare Psa 115:5-7,

- **AB**: They have **mouths**, but they **speak** not:
- **AB**: eyes have they, but they see not:
- **AB**: 6 They have **ears**, but they **hear** not:
- AB: noses have they, but they smell not:
- **AB**: 7 They have **hands**, but they **handle** not:
- **AB**: **feet** have they, but they **walk** not:
- **BA**: neither **speak** they through their **throat**.

# v. 16 "swear by the God of Truth"

Recall the form of a Hebrew oath:

Rut 1:1 **the LORD** do so to me, and more also, *if ought* but death part thee and me.

1Ki 19:2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let **the gods** do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.

 $\rightarrow$  Invokes a penalty from the deity one recognizes

Deu 6:13-14 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt **swear by his name**. 14 Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you;

Jos 23:7 That ye come not among these nations, these that remain among you; neither make mention of the name of their gods, **nor cause to swear by them**, neither serve them, nor bow yourselves unto them:

#### The Implications of Blessing and Cursing

he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth

he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth

 $\rightarrow$  The only one who can **bless** me is the God of truth

 $\rightarrow$  The only one who can harm me is the God of truth

"the God of Truth" = "the God of AMEN," cf. Rev. 3:14, "the AMEN, the faithful and true witness"

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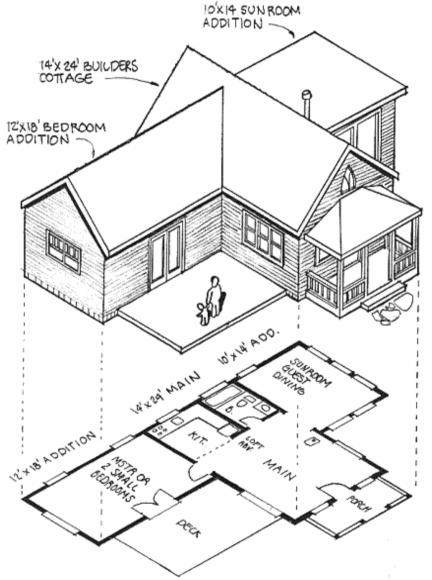
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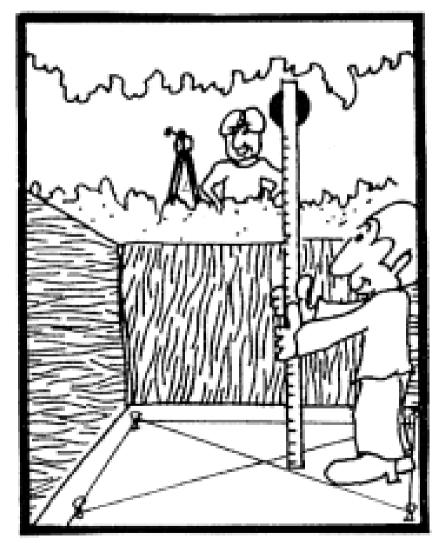
Event	1 Cor 15	Rev 19-22	2 Pet 3	lsa 65:17-25
Return & millennial rule of Christ	v. 23 afterward they that are Christ's, at his coming	19:11-21 20:1-6		v. 20, death v. 25, lion eats straw (cf. 11:7- 8)
Final rebellion; Great White Throne; death of death	v.25 For he must reign, <b>till</b> he hath put all enemies under his feet. v.26 The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.	20:7-15 Satan conquered; all dead raised; death cast into lake of fire		
Destruction of old heaven & earth		for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away;	v.10 the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also & the works that are therein shall be burned up (cf. vv. 7, 12)	Not mentioned
New heavens & new earth; Son delivers power to Father; no weeping	v.28 when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all (cf. v. 24)	ch. 21-22 21:1a And I saw a new heaven & a new earth v. 4 no more crying	v.13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for <b>new</b> <b>heavens &amp; a new eart</b> h, wherein dwelleth righteousness.	v.17 I create new heavens & a new earth v.19 weeping no more the voice of crying

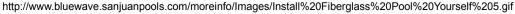
#### Why study prophecy?

Amo 3:7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.



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