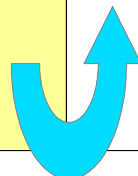


Treasure Hunt

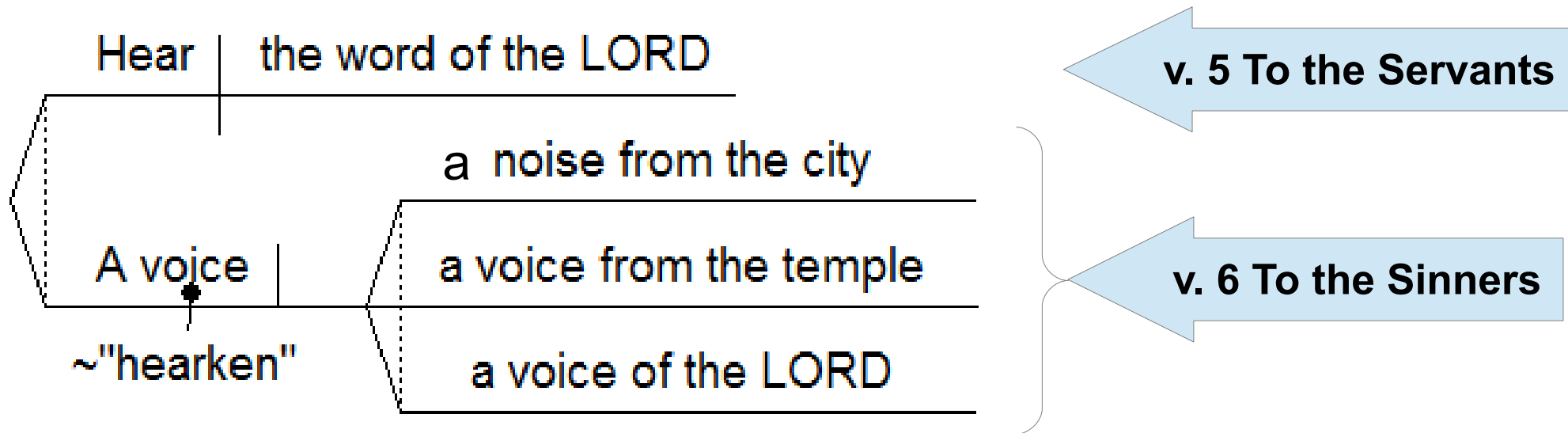
- What unexpected source of opposition does Isaiah predict for God's people?
- How does the speech of these enemies betray them?
- When will their deception finally end?
- Who brings the judgment described in v. 6?

Integration of Isaiah 65-66

	Isaiah 65	Isaiah 66	
True Worship (from Gentiles)	1	1-2	18-23
False Worship from Israel	2-7	3-4	15-17
The Fate of the Wicked vs. God's Servants	8-16	5-6	14
Blessing on Jerusalem	17-25	7-13	



Twofold Exhortation to Hear in 66:5-6



65:5-7

66:5-6

False brethren	5 Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me ; for I am holier than thou.	5 Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out , said, "for my name's sake, Let the LORD be glorified"
God repays them	6 Behold, <i>it is</i> written before me: I will not keep silence, but will recompense , even recompense into their bosom, 7 your iniquities ...	6 A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of the LORD that rendereth recompence to his enemies.

Massoretic Division of 66:5

Said your brethren that hated you that cast you out
for my name's sake ~~said~~ let the Lord be glorified

Compare
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Hear the word of the LORD,
ye that tremble at his word;

Said your brethren that hated you,
that cast you out

**for my name's sake,
Let the LORD be glorified:**

but he shall appear to your joy,
and they shall be ashamed.

Careless Quotations in 66:5

“for my name’s sake”

- Common expression (16x in OT), always of God’s name, not man’s
- Most commonly, motive for prayer:
Psalm 25:11 **For thy name's sake**, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it *is* great.
- Only one other time first person, in a prophecy:
Isaiah 48:9 For **my name's sake** will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.
→ They’re either confused, or claiming to prophesy.

“let the Lord be glorified”

- Common (8x), *Nifal* first person, e.g.,
Exo 14:4 I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and **I will be honoured** upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host;
- This usage (*Qal* third person) is unprecedented
→ Again, trying to sound pious but showing lack of understanding

Examples of False Brethren

Jer 26:8 Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD had commanded *him* to speak unto all the people, that **the priests and the prophets** and all the people took him, saying, **Thou shalt surely die.**

Ezr 4:1 Now when **the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin** heard that the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel; 2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said unto them, **Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye do**; and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esarhaddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither. 3 But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us. 4 Then the people of the land **weakened the hands** of the people of Judah, and **troubled them in building**,

Gal 2:4 **false brethren** unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might **bring us into bondage**:

2Co 11:26 *In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren*;

Mat 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me in that day, **Lord, Lord**, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23 And then will I profess unto them, **I never knew you**: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

66:6 “A voice...”

In initial position, often used as we would use “Listen!” or “I hear...”

Isa 13:4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: → “Listen! A multitude in the mountains ...”

Isa 40:3 The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD. → “Listen: Somebody crying in the wilderness ...”

→ “Listen!

A noise from the city,
a voice/sound from the temple,
the voice of the Lord rendering recompense ...”

66:6 “The voice of the Lord who renders recompense **שלם גמול**...”

Isa 65:5 These *are* a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day. 6 Behold, *it is* written before me: I will not keep silence, but will **recompense שלם**, even **recompense שלם** into their bosom, 7 your iniquities ...

Isa 59:18 According to *their* deeds, accordingly he [the Redeemer] will **repay שלם**, fury to his adversaries, **recompense גמול** to his enemies; to the islands he will repay **recompense גמול**.

NT fulfillment in Rev:

- 1:18, “I am he that liveth and was dead” → the Lord Jesus
- 1:15, he speaks with a “voice as the sound of many waters”
- 19:17, he “treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God”