# Integration of Isaiah 65-66

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## 66:6 The Shout from the Temple

66:6 Hearken! A noise **from the city**, a voice **from the temple**, the voice of the LORD that rendereth recompence to his enemies.

Amo 1:2 And he said, The LORD will roar **from Zion**, and utter his voice **from Jerusalem**;

2:3 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**. 4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people:

24:21 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall punish the host of the high ones *that are* on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth. ... 23 Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount **Zion**, and in **Jerusalem**, and before his ancients gloriously.

Psa 2:5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. 6 Yet have I set my king upon **my holy hill of Zion**. 7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou *art* my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give *thee* the heathen *for* thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth *for* thy possession. 9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

### Revelation: Wrath from the Heavenly Temple

14:14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud *one* sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. 15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. 16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped. 17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. 18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. 19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

16:1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

16:17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

### Jerusalem as a Woman in Isaiah

#### Six times "daughter Zion"

- 1:8; 10:32 bereaved and threatened
- 16:1; 37:22; 52:2; 62:11 redeemed and restored
- 49:14-50:3 bereft of her children and abandoned by her husband.
- ch. 54 barren
- ch. 60 Gentiles bring her children back
- ch. 62 the Lord's husbandly delight in Zion
- 66:7-13 bearing and nurturing children

### Overview of ch. 49-57

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## Overview of Isaiah 58-66

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The Redeemer	61:1-11			

7 Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child.

8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things?

Shall a country be born in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

9 Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut the womb? saith thy God.

10 Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her:

11 That ye may suck, and be satisfied with her comforting breasts<sub>1</sub> that ye may milk out, and be delighted with her heavy breast<sub>2</sub>.

12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flooding wadi: then shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon *her* sides, and be dandled upon *her* knees.

13 As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

# Some Verses to Compare

#### With v. 8:

49:21 Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where *had* they *been*?

#### With v. 11:

60:16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the LORD am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

## **Treasure Hunt**

- How is the Revelation's description of the voice from the temple similar to Isaiah's? How is it different?
- What different feminine roles does Isaiah assign to Jerusalem throughout the book?
- What two things does a mother do for her children that Jerusalem does in our passage?
- What is unusual about the birth of the restored nation?
- What is the difference between the "river" and the "stream" in v. 12?