

## Parable, Paganism, and Punishment

*Isaiah 5:1-30*

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How do you feel when you buy a bag of \_\_\_\_\_ that is packaged nicely on the outside, and then find out the fruit is \_\_\_\_\_ on the inside? What's worse than \_\_\_\_\_ into an apple and finding a \_\_\_\_\_? (Biting into an apple and finding \_\_\_\_\_ of a worm.) In Isaiah 5, Israel is given an illustration and a warning of \_\_\_\_\_ for her sins.

### A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Vineyard (5:1-7)

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the vineyard
  - a. A symbol of Israel in her spiritual \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. She was given \_\_\_\_\_ care.
    - (1). A \_\_\_\_\_ location (fruitful and fertile hill)
    - (2). It was \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (3). It was the \_\_\_\_\_ vine.
    - (4). It had \_\_\_\_\_ (a tower, a wall of hedge, and a wall of stone).
    - (5). It had \_\_\_\_\_ equipment (winepress hewn out of rock).
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of this vineyard
  - a. It only produced \_\_\_\_\_ fruit instead of the \_\_\_\_\_ good fruit.
  - b. The owner is not asking for \_\_\_\_\_, but is submitting the case of the unprofitable vineyard to the people's sense of \_\_\_\_\_ judgment.
    - (1). \_\_\_\_\_ will be withdrawn.
    - (2). Their status as a nation will be \_\_\_\_\_ and the land \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (3). They will be \_\_\_\_\_ of prophets, priests, and leaders.
    - (4). Their land would be turned into a \_\_\_\_\_.

### B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel (5:8-24)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ and greed – Famine, war, and desolation is the punishment.
2. God-\_\_\_\_\_, riotous revelry and drunkenness – punishment is the \_\_\_\_\_ of captivity.
3. Filled with deceit, \_\_\_\_\_ and defying God's justice, and \_\_\_\_\_ Him to punish them – They would drag iniquity with \_\_\_\_\_ and heavier ropes.
4. Obliterating the \_\_\_\_\_ distinctions between good and evil – punishment is a \_\_\_\_\_ mind.
5. Self-conceit and \_\_\_\_\_ – they would be brought to nothing.
6. Self-indulgence and \_\_\_\_\_ – They would be blown away as dust after a \_\_\_\_\_ swept through.

### C. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel (5:25-30)

1. Foreign \_\_\_\_\_ and the horror of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God will lift a military banner and \_\_\_\_\_ for the aggressors.
3. The war would come with \_\_\_\_\_ and no let up.