

Repentance and Repudiation

Isaiah 65:1-16

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Although the Jews were God's _____ people through whom He wanted to demonstrate His grace, God's _____ from the beginning was to call _____ people unto Himself so they would know His love and _____. This chapter shows God's mercy is reserved for the believing Jewish _____ in addition to the Gentiles who will turn to Him in repentance and _____.

A. _____ of the Gentiles (65:1)

1. "I am _____" ("permitted myself to be sought")
 - a. God longs to bring people to _____.
 - b. Titus 2:11; 2 Peter 3:9
2. The terrible _____ of the Gentiles before conversion
 - a. Romans 1:18-32
 - b. "Behold me" – God made Himself _____

B. The Sins of _____ Israel (65:2-5)

1. They _____ rejected God.
 - a. Even though He continually _____ out His hands
 - b. They lived in a _____ bad manner.
2. Specific _____ listed
 - a. Idolatrous _____
 - b. Those who stayed among the _____ – necromantic spiritistic cults, which were _____ forbidden (Deut. 18:11; 1 Sam. 28:3-25)
 - c. Eating _____'s flesh – forbidden to Israel because it was ritually _____ (Lev. 11:7; Deut. 14:8)
 - d. Eating _____ of abominable things forbidden to the Israelites (Lev. 11:41-47)
 - e. "Holier than thou" _____ (v. 5) – terribly offensive to God

(1). We are to live _____ from the world because of a _____ superiority God gave believers.

(2). Self-righteousness is the _____. We are not to be compromising in our _____, nor are we to be judgmental; but we are to be _____ discerning and live with love to others.

C. Punishment of Sins, and Salvation of the Remnant (65:6-10)

1. Punishment is _____.
 - a. Israel's guilt was _____ before God.
 - b. God will recompense (_____).
2. The _____ remnant will be saved.
 - a. A few _____ grapes among a cluster of bad ones.
 - b. God _____ to save them for His servants' sakes.

D. _____ of the Apostates (65:11-12)

1. They were designated as those _____ by the LORD.
 - a. They forgot His holy mountain (Mount _____), and replaced worship there with forbidden heathen _____.
 - b. Worshipped at a festive table in honor of "_____", who mixed wine for destiny (_____).
2. Apostate Israelite idolaters are destined for _____ in the Tribulation (Rev. 16:13-16; 19:21)

E. Contrast in Destinies of the Remnant and Apostate Israel (65:13-16)

1. Pronounced by the LORD God (God's _____ love, and His divine _____)
2. The _____ of servants vs. the _____ of apostates.