

“The Sins and Signs of a Failing Nation and a Dying Culture”

Text – Isaiah 3

Topic – America’s Desperate Plight: A Void of Leaders

Series – Isaiah: The Voice of One Crying in the Wilderness (Isaiah 40:3)

- 1) The Bible is filled with examples of godly men who did not have the luxury of ignoring the wickedness and perversity of their leaders or nation.
- 2) A study of history reveals the rise and fall of nations follows the pattern of sin and wickedness found in Isaiah 3.

I. God removes everything a rebellious nation trusts: “the _____ and the _____.” (3:1-12)

A. God would remove the “_____” [foundation, the support, the strength] of _____ essentials. (3:1)

B. God would remove the nation’s male _____: “_____” (3:2)

- 1. God warned, I will take away the “_____” of your _____ leadership.
- 2. To thrive and survive, a nation needs strong leaders of _____ and _____. (3:2)
- 3. Even the _____ tier of leaders, the backbone of a nation, would be removed. (3:3)

II. Judah would be left with _____, _____ leaders (government). (3:4)

A. Leaders like “_____” playing and “_____” in diapers. (3:4)

In the absence of strong leaders, the nation would degenerate into a _____, _____ culture. (3:5)

B. The nation would be void of seasoned “_____” leadership. (3:7-9)

III. Strong, dominant _____ and _____ men would fill the void in leadership. (3:12b, 16-23)

A. Instead of _____ and _____ the youth, women would assert _____ and lead the nation to _____. (3:12c)

Judah would be destroyed, not from an enemy _____, but from an enemy _____. (3:12c)

B. “The daughters of Zion [Jerusalem]” had become _____, _____ women. (Isaiah 3:16b)

Conclusion – “In that day” (3:7, 18), the day of God’s judgment on Judah:

A. The women of the nation would be: (3:17-24)

- 1. Afflicted with _____ (3:17)
- 2. Reduced to the _____ of a household _____. (3:18-24)

B. _____ – God would not forget the righteous and He would avenge them. (3:10-15, 25-26)