

A Study of the Prophets

OT Survey Lesson 116--Isaiah 5:1-30

Introduction: In this prophetic address Isaiah likens Israel to a vineyard which God planted and from which he hoped to gather the fruit of righteousness. Israel, however, did not live up to God's expectations. Thus, God here warns of devastation of His vineyard, Israel.

Lesson aim: To urge each student to realize God's expectations of bearing fruit for him.

The parable of the vineyard--Isaiah 5:1-7

1. Describe what the caretaker of the vineyard did to ensure a good crop of grapes. What kind of grapes did it produce? (v. 1-2)
2. How would one answer God's question concerning Israel, "What more could I have done?" (v. 3)
3. What did God say He was going to do to the unfruitful vineyard? (v. 5-6)
4. Who is the vineyard of the Lord? (v. 7) What did God look for out of His vineyard? What did he see instead? (v. 7)

Woes against Israel--Isaiah 5:8-30

1. What sin is involved in the first woe? (v. 8) What did God say He would do with the houses and vineyards?
2. Against whom is the second "woe" addressed? (v. 11) What did God say about their attitude toward Him?
3. What did God say would happen to the people because of this? (v. 13)
4. What did God say would happen to men? To God? (v. 15-16)
5. Against whom is the third "woe" directed? (v. 18) What did they say?

6. Upon whom is the fourth woe pronounced? (v. 20)
7. Upon whom is the fifth woe pronounced? (v. 21)
8. Against whom is the final woe directed? (v. 22-23)
9. Isaiah said God would whistle for whom? (v. 26) Describe their army (v. 27-28). What would they do to Israel? (v. 29-30)