

Study of Isaiah 65

This Chapter is a good description of Ephraim Israel.

Isa 65:1 I am sought of *them that* asked not *for me*; I am found of *them that* sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation *that* was not called by my name.

Hebrew says "...a nation not calling on my name." They don't call upon His name because they don't know it and substituted man made titles for His Kadosh name. **Romans 10:19-20** make it clear that this is speaking of Ephraim Israel, those that became not a people (lo-ami) of Hos. 1. They are the same ones spoken of in Deut. 32:21. It is Ephraim Israel.

The septuagint has it "*I became manifest to them that asked not for me; I was found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold, I am here, to a nation, who called not on my name .*"

This is the way most modern translations now have it.

Isa 65:2 *I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts;*

They (Ephraim Israel) are a rebellious people who walk after their own thoughts. The bible says there is a way that seems right to a man, but the end thereof is the ways of death. Prov. 14:12; 16:25

Isa 65:3 *A people that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense upon altars of brick;*

They worship Yahweh in their own way and not the way he said. The children of Israel forgot Yahweh and served Baalim and the groves. (Jdg. 3:7). The Druids often sacrificed and worshipped in groves of Oak trees. The Druids were Celts, descendents of the tribes of Israel in dispersion. The word Druid comes from the word drus meaning "Oak". Deut. 16:21 forbids the planting of a grove of trees anywhere near the altar of Yahweh.

Altars of brick - these are man made bricks and were forbidden for use for sacrifice to Yahweh. Yahweh's altars were to be on unhewn stone, not man made.

Isa 65:4 *Which remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, which eat swine's flesh, and broth of abominable things is in their vessels;*

They eat Swine's flesh (pork) and soup of unclean things. The abominable or unclean things are found in Lev.11.

See Isa.66:17 and Eze. 11:21 to see what happens to these people. Their ways will be recompensed upon their heads.

The Hebrew word for "abominable" is Piggul, pronounced Pig-gool. It also means "stink". Could this be where the English word "pig" comes from?

They remain among the grave to practice necromancy, communicating with the dead. They spend the night in caves or hidden recesses to practice these abominable things. They were channelers of evil spirits. We see today that many people try to communicate with the dead at séances. This is forbidden. Many churches were built around graveyards.

Isa 65:5 *Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou. These are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day.*

I am holier than you... I am cleaner than you. Sounds like the 'church' to me. They think they alone are right and saved. If you don't believe like they do, you probably aren't 'saved'. They think they have replaced Yahweh's Israel. They think they are the ones that are sanctified and are doing the will of Yahweh. Yet, He makes His will known in the Torah which they say was abolished. Could it be they are not as obedient as they think?

They are a smoke in the nose of Yahweh, a fire that burns all days sending up this smoke into the nostrils of Yahweh. He hates it. Their prayers are a stench to Him.

Isa 65:6 *Behold, it is written before me: I will not keep silence, but will recompense, even recompense into their bosom,*

He will recompense their ways into their bosoms. See Deut. 32:35 - this is talking about a people with a false gospel and false messiah. It is Israel that Yahweh is talking about.

These are the same people in Jer. 16:18 that Yahweh will recompense their iniquity double because they have filled his inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and unclean things.

There are tons of scriptures that speak of this and they all deal with Ephraim Israel violating Torah and mixing in the error of sun worship. This can only describe those that call themselves Christians today. See Eze. 7:3-9; 9:10; 11:21; 17:19; 23:49' Hos. 9:7

Isa 65:7 *Your iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, saith YHWH, which have burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed me upon the hills: therefore will I measure their former work into their bosom.*

This people, Israel, have a long custom of disobedience and worshipping false deities. The sins of their fathers have led them to this place and caused them to blaspheme Yahweh. (Eze.20:27 and many others)

Isa 65:8 *Thus saith YHWH, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and one saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.*

They are still Yahweh's people and He will not destroy them all. See Isa. 66:19

Isa 65:9 *And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.*

Yahshua will bring us back to our inheritance in the land of Israel. He is the one spoken of here. We will live there with him during the millennium.

Isa 65:10 *And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, for my people that have sought me.*

Sharon is a plain of rich, fertile pastureland which stretches along the Mediterranean coast from Joffa to the mountains of the central part of Israel, north of Jericho near Gilgal and Carmel.

Achor - range of hills running through the plain of Jericho. Called the valley of Achor (trouble) from the trouble or affliction which was there caused to the Israelites from the sin of Achan who was stoned.

Isa 65:11 *But ye are they that forsake YHWH, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for that troop, and that furnish the drink offering unto that number.*

The KJV translators have cleverly concealed who "god" really is. They had a problem after inserting "God" where ever they saw the word Elohim. Here they had the word "gd" in Hebrew that is pronounced exactly as we pronounce "god". So they covered it up by translating it "that troop". God or gad, which is pronounced "gawd" was the Babylonian deity of fortune. Perhaps that is where we get the expression "good luck" or "god luck". The other part of this mistranslation is what is translated "that number". Here again, it was covered up. The Hebrew word is meni and means "fate" or "fortune". Meni was the Babylonian deity of Fate.

Gen.30:11 is interesting in this respect. Leah's maid bore a son to Jacob and she said in verse 11 "with luck" and she called his name Gad (gawd).

A troop cometh" as the KJV has it makes absolutely no sense at all.

According to the Restoration Scriptures p.1214, **Gad was Zeus (Jupiter)** so called by the Babylonian astrologers. **The Canaanites called him Baal Gad or Lord God.**

It's a little scary to think that preparing a table for Gawd and furnishing the drink offering to Meni (as a idol) might be referring to Christian communion.

Isa 65:12 *Therefore will I number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter: because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before mine eyes, and did choose *that* wherein I delighted not.*

They will be numbered to the sword. Number here is "manah", a word play on Meni. This means "weigh out", similar to the handwriting on the wall "Mene, mene tekem, upharsin" of Dan 5:25.

They were called, but did not hear nor answer. They continued to do what was right in their own sight which did not please Yahweh. Because of this, they will be destroyed by warfare.

Isa 65:13 *Therefore thus saith YHWH ELOHIM, Behold, my servants shall eat, but ye shall be hungry: behold, my servants shall drink, but ye shall be thirsty: behold, my servants shall rejoice, but ye shall be ashamed:*

Yahweh's servants shall eat and drink, but the worshippers of "gawd" will hunger and thirst for the truth and not find it. They eat false doctrine and partake of a spirit that does not satisfy. They have a false gospel.

Isa 65:14 *Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall howl for vexation of spirit.*

They will be very sorrowful when the truth is revealed and they had believed a lie. There shall be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. This portends of the judgment seat of Yahshua. (Matt 8:12; Luk 13:28)

Isa 65:15 *And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen: for YHWH ELOHIM shall slay thee, and call his servants by another name:*

Rev 3:12 - So disgraceful and dishonorable shall be that name, that Yahweh will apply another name to his people. Could this refer to the name "Christian" that has been applied to His people Ephraim Israel?

Isa 65:16 *That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the Elohim of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the Elohim of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.*

They will no longer attribute their blessings to the name of false deities, but will look to the true Elohim, Yahweh. He is the true source of their blessings.

Isa 65:17 *For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. (Rev 21:1)*

Isa 65:18 *But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. (Rev 21:2 – the New Jerusalem)*

Isa 65:19 *And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.*

Rev 21:4-Yahweh shall wipe away our tears. (Isa. 25:8; Rev 7:17)

Isa 65:20 *There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed.*

Longevity will again be extended as in the days of old, but death will still occur in the millennium since there will be mortals living during that time. The last enemy conquered will be death. (1 Cor. 15:26; Rev 20:14)

Isa 65:21 *And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.*

Isa 65:22 *They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.*

Eze. 28:26 - a reversal of events that will take place during the time of trouble. As the days of a tree - Yahweh's people will live long lives like a tree. These are the mortals that go into the millennial kingdom alive. These would have to be people that attained salvation after Yahshua returned because all those alive that are his at his return will be translated in the twinkling of an eye and become immortal. There will be many people still in mortal bodies during the millennium.

Isa 65:23 *They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they are the seed of the blessed of YHWH, and their offspring with them.*

There will still be children born to mortal women in the millennium, but they will not miscarry nor have their children die prematurely.

Isa 65:24 *And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.*

He knows our needs before we even ask.

Isa 65:25 *The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith YHWH.*

Nature will be changed in the millennium. Animals will not eat one another. All will eat grass or vegetation. No more carnivores. (Isa. 11:6-8)

Dust will continue to be the serpents' meat, a reference to Gen 3:14 where this sentence is placed upon Satan. He will continue in his state of degradation until the final judgment when he is destroyed in the lake of fire.

This leads on into Isaiah 66 which tells what happens to pork eating Israel at Yahweh's return.

End of study