**Isaiah**

*God Will Prevail*

*Isaiah 29*

It is Useless to Hide (v 15)

* We’ve been hiding since the beginning
  + And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden. (Gen 3:8)
* Men love darkness
  + 19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. 20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. 21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God. (John 3:19-21)
  + 5 ¶ This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. (1 John 1:5-7)
* We have been delivered from darkness
  + 13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son: 14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins: (Col 1:13-14)

Denial Never Works (v 16)

* Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! (Isaiah 5:20)

God Will Turn Things Right Side Up (v 17 – 21)

* Lebanon – heavily forested, wild, untameable
* Fruitful field – orchard, plantation, garden
  + Something wild will be turned into something good
  + Something good will be turned into something wild
* Until the spirit be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest. (Is 32:15)
* Out of darkness (v 18)
  + For ye were sometimes darkness, but now *are ye* light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (Eph 5:8)
  + But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. (1 Thess 5:4)
  + The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. (Isaiah 9:2)
  + 4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. 5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus’ sake. 6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. (2 Cor 4:4-6)
* Justice brought to the “terrible one, the scorner, and all that watch for iniquity” (v 20)

God Will Transform the Redeemed (v 22 - 24)

* To redeem someone is to purchase them from bondage