

Isaiah 9:8-21 (10:1-4)
His Anger Remains

Rezin's (Aram) foes are strengthened – he has no allies (8-12)

Message is unheeded (Luke 13:34)

Making plans to rebuild – not repent (Galatians 2:18)

Mouth of the enemy will devour (Ephesians 4:29) or
(Proverbs 12:18/Romans 3:13/James 4:8)

Refusing to return to God (13-17)

Struck down yet not seeking help

Speaking lies – they are blind guides (Luke 6:39 / II Timothy 3:13)

Seeing into all people – everyone has become ungodly (Proverbs 26:20-22)

Speaking what is vile (Matthew 12:33-37)

Righteousness is replaced by wickedness (18-21)

Burning like a fire (James 3:6)

By the wrath of God, the land will be scorched (I Corinthians 3:11-15)

Brother against brother – they will not be satisfied (I Corinthians 12:21-26)

Rulers making unjust, oppressive laws (10:1-4)

Depriving the poor of their rights (James 1:27)

Disaster is coming (Revelation 19:15-18)

Discussion questions for Isaiah 9:8-21

Why are we reluctant to change? (Mark 8:34-38 / Hebrews 12:11-14 / John 5:39-40)

What happens when we practice deceit? (II Timothy 3:1-9)

Why does God judge people? (Psalm 76:10 / Leviticus 26:14-22 / Hebrews 12:4-11 / Malachi 3:2-5)

Where do you see the USA in regard to the above practices?

Personal reflection: Where am I reluctant to change? When do I practice deceit?

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God often breaks up alignments of nations that are against His people (Jdg 7/II Chr 20)

Message is unheeded (Luke 13:34)

God repeatedly warns us through His prophets (His Word)

Making plans to rebuild – not repent (Galatians 2:18)

We cannot rebuild when God is intent on destroying – we need to look to Him

Mouth of the enemy will devour (Ephesians 4:29) or

(Proverbs 12:18/Romans 3:13/James 4:8)

We can use the tongue to build up or to destroy

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Pride is a great hindrance to change and growth (“I don't need any help!”)

Speaking lies – they are blind guides (Luke 6:39 / II Timothy 3:13)

Deceivers often become deceived. The blind cannot lead (II Corinthians 4:4)

Seeing into all people – everyone has become ungodly (Proverbs 26:20-22)

Evil speech and practices among leaders filters down to many others

Speaking what is vile (Matthew 12:33-37)

The further we stray from God, the more corrupt our speech becomes

Righteousness is replaced by wickedness (18-21)

Burning like a fire (James 3:6)

Wickedness, like the tongue, consumes like a fire those in its path

By the wrath of God, the land will be scorched (I Corinthians 3:11-15)

The works of man are tested by the fires of God

Brother against brother – they will not be satisfied (I Corinthians 12:21-26)

Oppressing others for personal gain will not last

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Discussion questions for Isaiah 9:8-21

Why are we reluctant to change? (Mark 8:34-38 / Hebrews 12:11-14 / John 5:39-40)

We are unwilling to surrender our lives and our plans to God. We ignore His discipline and reject His word. Our stubborn, prideful hearts become our downfall.

What happens when we practice deceit? (II Timothy 3:1-9)

We end up deceiving ourselves and become more and more ungodly. We become corrupt in all our practices and spread that corruption to others.

Why does God judge people? (Psalm 76:10 / Leviticus 26:14-22 / Hebrews 12:4-11 / Malachi 3:2-5) ***To get their attention. To punish the wicked. To purify His people. To gain glory for Himself. To accomplish His purposes.***

Where do you see the USA regarding the above practices?

As a nation, we have become deceived. Lies are spread through leadership and media as we become increasingly corrupt and vile. We ignore God's word, God's warnings, and God discipline. Unless repentance and revival take place, we will soon face the wrath of our holy and just God.

Personal reflection: Where am I reluctant to change? When do I practice deceit?