

Isaiah 28  
A Precious Cornerstone

Beauty fades (1)

Woe to Samaria – the wreath – a city of beauty and privilege (I Corinthians 1:26-31)  
Wine has laid them low (Psalm 23:29-35)

Broken and trampled (2-4)

Powerful – destructive, driving downpour – Assyria is coming against you  
Pride of the drunkards is trampled  
Picked before harvest – like the early figs (Psalm 73:12, 18-20 / I Thessalonians 5:2)

Beautiful One (5-6)

Sovereign Lord – he is truly the beautiful wreath  
Spirit of justice abides in Him (John 5:30)  
Source of strength is found in Him (Philippians 4:13)

Banquet of vomit (7-8)

Prophets and priests befuddled by wine – those who should teach and lead  
Producing vomit and filth (II Peter 2:17-22 / I John 4:5-6)

Being taught? (9-13)

Mocking the teachers – we are not children needing baby talk (I Corinthians 10:12)  
Men of strange tongues – punished by those whose language is unfamiliar  
Message of the Lord – given so even a child can comprehend (John 3:16 / Acts 16:31)

Boasting of a covenant with death (14-15)

Scoffers – who claim a covenant with death (Jeremiah 7:1-8)  
Scourge cannot touch us – we are above such judgment  
Standing on a lie – the false hope of false teaching (John 8:24, 43-47)

Blanket is too small (16-20)

Stone in Zion – to trust in Him is to never be dismayed (Psalm 118:22-24/Luke 20:17-18)  
Sweeping away the lie – exposed for what it is (John 3:19-21)  
Short bed and blanket – sheer terror – no cover of safety

Bowing before God (21-29)

Performing His strange work – judgment is not His desire (II Peter 3:9)  
Persisting in mocking? – chains only become heavier  
Plowing continually? – digging a deeper pit  
Perfect in wisdom – He alone teaches us the right way (Psalm 25:4-14)

## Discussion questions for Isaiah 28

Why is it that riches, beauty, and privilege often lead to destruction? (Ezekiel 28:17 / Deuteronomy 8:12 / I Peter 3:3-4)

Why does the enemy often target those in positions of spiritual leadership? How can we thwart the enemies attempts to destroy their ministry? (Acts 20:27-32 / Hebrews 13:17-18 / James 3:1 / I Timothy 5:19-20)

What are the consequences of basing your life and your hope on a lie? How can we know that we are standing on the truth? (I John 2:20-28; 4:1-6)

Why should not being fully covered bring terror? How does that relate to the truth concerning our salvation? (Ephesians 6:10-13 / II Thessalonians 2:9-12)