

Isaiah 55:1-7
The Invitation

Come to Him (1-3) – (John 3:16 / Matthew 11:28 / Revelation 22:17)

His invitation is open to everyone.

Free (Romans 4:4-5 / Philippians 3:9)

There is nothing we can do to earn or deserve His gift (Romans 6:23)

Fulfilling (John 10:10 / Psalm 63:2-5)

No pursuit in this life can every satisfy – but He offers us so much more.

Forever (II Corinthians 5:5)

His Spirit in us guarantees an eternity with Him.

An everlasting covenant with David (II Samuel 7:16 / Jeremiah 33:20-21)

Jesus will forever sit upon His throne.

An everlasting covenant with us (Hebrews 7:21-25)

Jesus will save us to the uttermost.

Commander will summon (4-5)

He will bring all peoples before Himself.

The people through His witness (John 3:14-15; 12:32)

His great love demonstrated on the cross.

The nations through His splendor (Matthew 24:30)

All the world will see the glory of His coming.

Call on Him (6-7)

He has great and unsearchable things to show us (Jeremiah 33:3)

While there is time (II Corinthians 6:1-2 / II Peter 3:9-10)

There is an urgency for us to respond. Now is the time!

Wicked forsaking their ways – a call to REPENT (Ezekiel 18:32)

We must come to Him in repentance, we have noting to offer Him but our sin.

Wanting a pardon from the LORD (Psalm 130:3-4)

He is the One we have sinned against. Only He can forgive and pardon us.

Discussion questions for Isaiah 55:1-7

Why is the invitation so often ignored? (Deuteronomy 8:12-14 / Luke 14:18-20, 25-27)

When we are comfortable and well off, we can easily take credit for our situation and think we have no need of God. We want to control our own lives and are great at making excuses for delaying giving ourselves completely to Him. We have a hard time completely trusting God, and therefore put ourselves, our loved ones, and our pleasure before Him. We are foolish enough to believe that we have a better plan.

How does accepting the invitation bring fulfillment in your life? (Psalm 32:5-11; 103:1-5)

Jesus is faithful to His Word and to His promises. He frees us from the burden of our guilt, forgiving us of ALL of our sins. He watches over us and protects us on our journey. He surrounds us with His unfailing love, redeeming us and crowning us with compassion. He leads us on our journey, renewing our strength and satisfying our lives with good things. We are able to live for the purpose we were created. (Ephesians 2:20)

How does God provide an opportunity for all to come and receive His mercy? (Ecclesiastes 3:10 / Romans 1:18-20 / John 16:8-11) ***He has placed eternity in our hearts. We know that without Him, something is missing in our lives. We search for One who is greater than us, for we have a need to look to and worship something beyond ourselves. God has revealed Himself to all men by His Creation (Psalm 19:1-4). The wonders of who He is revealed to us by what we see. God has sent His Spirit into the world to convict us of the sin of not receiving Jesus for who He is. Our God given conscience makes known to us our sin and our need of a Savior.***

Why is the time to accept His offer limited? (Mark 13:32-37 / I Timothy 4:2 / James 4:14)

He is coming and no one knows the day. He warns us to watch and be ready. Refusing to accept His grace causes our hearts to become hardened, and we can reach a place of no return, becoming calloused to the things of God and not wanting Him in our lives. Our lives are short and no one except God knows the day of our death.

Why is our LORD to be feared? (Hebrews 4:12-13 / Matthew 7:13-14 / II Corinthians 5:10)

We will all stand before Him and give an account for how we have lived our lives. He knows everything about us, including our thought life. He tells us that the path to destruction is broad and that the path to life is narrow, we do not want to miss that path. Only He can offer us forgiveness, for our sin is against Him – there is no where else for us to turn.

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