

Isaiah 56
God's Open Door

Keeping the Sabbath (1-8) – entering into His rest (Matthew 11:28-30)

Revealing His righteousness (1-2)

Salvation is near (Romans 13:11-14)
Sabbath must be held fast (Hebrews 4:1-10)

Remain true to His covenant (3-5) – for all (Romans 10:13/Colossians 2:13/I John 2:2)

Complaining about your circumstances (I Corinthians 10:10/Philippians 2:14-15)
Choosing what pleases the LORD (Ephesians 5:10)
Changed by His power – given a place and an everlasting name (Jn 14:3/Rv 2:17)

Ready to receive ALL people (Acts 11:17-18)

Bound to loving and serving the LORD (Exodus 21:5-6/Romans 1:1)
Brought to His holy mountain (Isaiah 2:3)
Burnt offerings upon His altar (A house of prayer for all nations) – (Mt. 21:13)

Knowledge is lacking among the watchmen (9-12)

Devoured by beast – no alarm given (Revelation 19:10)

Dreamers – watchmen without knowledge (Jeremiah 23:28/Hosea 4:5-6)

Blind leading the blind (Matthew 15:14)
Bark is broken – no warning of coming judgment (Lamentations 2:14)

Dogs with mighty appetites

Satisfaction never comes (Ecclesiastes 5:10)
Shepherds without understanding (Ezekiel 34:1-10)

Drink and be merry – tomorrow will be even better (Micah 2:11 / I Corinthians 15:32-33)

Discussion questions for Isaiah 56

What is required for a New Testament believer to stay true to the Sabbath? (Luke 6:2-5 / Romans 14:5-8 / Colossians 2:16-17 / Hebrews 4:1-10 / Hebrews 10:24-25)

What evidence would indicate that someone is remaining true to the covenant they have entered with the Lord Jesus Christ. (John 13:14-17; 34-35; 14:15 / II Corinthians 11:2-4 / I Thessalonians 1:9-10; 2:13)

What are the signs of a false teachers? (Matthew 23:4-5, 11-12, 23-24, 28 / Acts 20:29-30 / II Corinthians 2:17; 4:2 / I Thessalonians 2:3-6 / II Timothy 4:3-4 / II Peter 2:1, 3, 10, 15, 18-19 / Jude 4, 8, 16, 19)