Adult Sunday School Lesson Nassau Bay Baptist Church

November 8, 2020

Read Isaiah 44:1-28

Isaiah 44 is a beautiful chapter filled with surprises, prophecies, encouragement, and clear statements of God's exclusivity, wisdom, and might.

See the Names (1-5)

Jacob—"Deceiver"—My Servant
Israel—"Prince of God"—My Chosen
Jeshurun—"Upright One"—Poetic Name for Israel as God Desires Her to Be

Fear Not—For Blessings Are Promised

- Water for Thirsty
- Floods on Dry Ground
- My Spirit Upon Your Descendants
- My Blessing Upon Your Offspring
 - Spring Up Like Grass
 - o Like Willows by Water
 - The Lord's
 - Of Jacob
 - Write—The LORD'S
 - Israel

See the God (6-8)

The First and the Last No Other God

If there is, let him prove it.

Do not fear.

No Other God. No Other Rock.

See the Foolish Idolators (9-20)

Make a useless image.

Form a god or image that profits nothing.

Artisans are just men.

They shall fear.

They shall be ashamed together.

The maker of the idols gets tired and hungry and thirsty and becomes faint.

They have to use rulers and a compass.

He has to have man as a pattern.

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He must depend upon the rain to grow the tree to get the wood to make the log to carve the idol . . .

With half the log he fires the oven, warms his house, and bakes bread. With half he makes an idol and falls down and worships it and prays to it, asking for deliverance.

He does not understand, for God has shut their eyes and closed their hearts. He has no understanding or knowledge that he is falling down before a block of wood.

See the Redemption (21-23)

O Jacob! O Israel!

I have blotted out your sins.
I have redeemed you.
I have glorified myself in you.

See the One True God (24-27)

- Redeemer
- Makes all things
 - Including the heavens and the earth
- Frustrates babblers and diviners and those who think they are wise
- Confirms the words of His prophets
- Keeps the words of His promises
- Who can dry up the seas and the rivers with a word

See the Prophecy (28)

Cyrus

Shall rebuild Jerusalem
Shall lay the foundation of the Temple

See Isaiah 45!!