

## Discussion Questions for Isaiah 65-66

*Not being able to see you face to face this week to discuss these questions, I encourage you to call, email, or text me with your questions about the message or about Isaiah 58-59*

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Questions about the sermon? There are some great spiritual treasure nuggets in Isaiah. We hope that you discover them and apply them to your life.

### ISAIAH 65

1. In your experience, what seems to be some of the biggest ‘hang-ups’ that people have that prevents them from believing the gospel?
2. How does God show amazing grace and patience to sinners in verse 1? How does Paul use verse 1 in Romans 10:20?
3. How does Israel provoke God continually in Isaiah 65:2-7? How are these verses a warning to the present-day church?
4. What distinctions does God make in verses 8-16? How does this relate to Matthew 3:12?
5. What glorious things does God promise are coming in Isaiah 65:17-25?
6. How are these verses difficult to interpret, especially the combination of the expression “new heaven and new earth” (cf. Rev 21:1,4) with the presence of infants and death in verse 20?
7. How would the millennial reign of Christ on earth, in which death is greatly curtailed but not removed, glorify him?
8. How would the eternal state in which death is completely removed glorify him more?
9. How does this chapter motivate you toward personal holiness? How does it motivate you toward evangelism and missions in the name of Jesus Christ?

## ISAIAH 66

1. How do the words of verse 1 humble you when you consider God's infinite majesty and greatness?
2. Why is it vital to consider that God's hand made everything we could ever give to him as a sacrifice or from which we could ever build a temple?
3. What kind of people does God "look favorably on" in verse 2? What does it mean to tremble at his word? Why do you think God so highly esteems such a person?
4. How did the three thousand who were baptized into the church of Jesus Christ on Pentecost begin the fulfillment of a nation being born in an instant in Isaiah 66:8?
5. Paul uses similar logic, as is used in Isaiah 66:9, in Romans 5:9-11. Read Romans 5:9-11. What does Paul say is the basis of our assurance of salvation?
6. How do verses 18-21 predict the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ to distant nations? How do you personally desire to be involved in the work yet to be accomplished? What do you think God wants you to do about unreached people groups?
7. Why is it vital to embrace the biblical concept of eternal conscious torment in hell? How could that doctrine help us to worship God for his grace to us? How could it motivate us to evangelize the lost?