

Free Lunch
Isaiah 55

Review:

1. God's salvation really is free, but it is only for those who know their need of it.
2. However difficult repentance may be, it is necessary because of the absolute truth of God's Word.
3. It is because of the atoning work of the Son of David that the Lord can keep His promise to offer not only pardon to those who repent, but also blessings of joy and peace

Reflect:

1. "Salvation is a gift of God's free grace." How do you feel about this truth? How does it inspire you to greater love for God?
2. Do you need repentance in any area of your life? What is holding you back from more consistent discipleship?

Go Further: Read Isaiah 63:1-14

1. How does Isaiah describe the One coming from Bozrah in Edom? How does this One describe Himself?
2. What question does Isaiah ask of Him in verse 2?
3. How does the Man explain His appearance? What does He say He has done to the Edomites?
4. What explanation does He give for His actions in verse 4?
5. In verse 5, how does He say He brought salvation? Why did He have to take this action?
6. How does He describe His vengeance on the wicked in verse 6?
7. In contrast, how does verse 7 describe the way God has treated His people?
8. What reason does verse 8 give for the Lord saving His people?
9. How does the Lord identify with His people in verse 9? What does He do for them and why?
10. According to verse 10, how did the Lord's people respond to His grace? How did the Lord treat them as a result?
11. According to verse 11, what did the people remember after they experienced the Lord's anger?
12. Verses 11-14 describe what God did for His people at the time of the Exodus. Who did God put in the midst of His people?
13. Why did God part the waters of the Red Sea so that His people could cross?
14. According to verse 13, where did God lead His people? What did they not do in the process?
15. What did the Spirit of the Lord give to His people?
16. Why does God say He leads His people?

Summary and Application:

1. In verses 11 through 14, God's people remembered the way the Lord had blessed them in the past. Why is that an important part of repentance? How have God's past blessings fueled your faith and deepened your desire to follow Christ?
2. In chapter 63, and really throughout all of his prophecy, Isaiah discusses both God's justice and His saving grace. Why is it important for God's people to think about both of these things? What would happen if we focused on one and neglected the other?