Parable of The Vineyard

Text: Isaiah 5:1-7







"Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!"

Isaiah 5:1-7

Who was Isaiah?

- The prophet, son of Amoz.
- He prophesied concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, Isa.1:1, covering probably 758 to 698 B.C.
- He was married and had two sons.
- His wife is called a "prophetess."
- Tradition says that Isaiah, when he was 90 years old, was sawn in two.
- He is sometimes calling a universal prophet.
- He often used parables to foretell future events.

Isaiah's parable in Is. 5:1-7

Isaiah uses a parable of a vineyard to address Israel and Judah's problem of rebellion.



The Lord is the Gardener, and Judah and Israel are the vineyard.



Israel and Judah is the bad or wild grapes.



The Lord is going to remove His protection from them.



The point of the parable is God did not abandon the children of Israel—they abandoned Him.

He is justified in His decision to leave them to their own devices and let them suffer the consequences of their sin as the only way to redeem them.

What is the meaning of the parable? (Is. 5:7)



The time of repentance will come to an end.

God expected to see His people produce fruit.

- Which is godly behavior, good character, morals, and ethical living. (Is. 5:7; 1:17).
- He still looks for these qualities in His people today.
 Matthew 7:20, "Thus you will recognize them by their fruits." conduct, good works, and godly behavior.
 Mt. 13:23 A good heart, that multiples or evangelizes.
 Jn. 15:1-8 Abides or continues in Christ and His word.
 Gal. 5:22-23 The character of a person who has the Holy Spirit in their life.

Will the Lord find us bearing godly fruit?

Harvest time will be soon! Matthew 13:30; John 5:28,29; Acts 17:30,31 Now is a time to bear fruit; now is the time of repentance!