SEE THE KING!

with Isaiah

`Your eyes will behold the King in his beauty (Is. 33:17)'



Handouts to help you read & understand – for personal Bible study, reading the Bible with a friend or with a group

10th Session THEME: Duty or delight?

1. Start with prayer. Then look at this icebreaker question.

10 minutes to get started

Christians go to church, listen to preaching, partake of holy communion, read their Bibles, pray, meditate... Sometimes these things can feel like our duty, sometimes as our delight. How is that for you and why?

2. Read Isaiah 12:1-6 twice

30 minutes to understand the passage

Look again at verses 1-2 Salvation – the saved sing of it.

- The song in these verses follows on what the LORD has done on a certain `day'. What is it that the LORD has done? (For an answer you may look at 11:10-12. To understand more about this `root', you may also look at 11:1-5, 9:6-7, 7:14)
- What is the reason for singing, given in verse 1? How can this be a reason for you also to sing?
- `I will trust and not be afraid' what is the ground for singing this? Can we also sing that?
- Israel was singing after they were redeemed from Egypt (see Exodus 15, see verse 2!). How did Jesus bring a new Exodus?

Look again at verse 2 Salvation – the saved drink of it.

Once you have seen (through the preaching, in prayer and meditation, from the Bible), the salvation
in Jesus Christ, you always want to go back to these wells with joy, to drink again from these wells.
Does this currently apply to you? Why, or why not? Maybe with your answers you can help each
other!

Look again at verses 3-6 Salvation – the saved proclaim it.

- What strikes you in these verses?
- Have a quick look at John 4. Why did the Samaritan woman, who was probably despised by her own fellow citizens, begin to proclaim what she had found? What do you learn from that?
- These verses express that `all the earth' should know about it (see also Isaiah 11:9b). Why is this important? In which ways can you personally be involved in that?

3. Apply and end with prayer. 15 minutes to make it personal and to pray

Look again at the Icebreaker question. Read Isaiah 12:1-6 once more. What did you learn from God's Word today as regards the Icebreaker question? Take some minutes of silence to think about this. Then share and end with prayer.

4. Digging deeper.

A few passages that are nice to look at, related to this passage:

Exodus 15 (especially verse 2), Psalm 46:4, Psalm 118 (especially verse 14), Isaiah 35, Revelation 7, Revelation 21:1-6