

A Remnant Preserved by God's Grace

Adult Sunday School Class

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Introduction

- Isaiah 1:9: *Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.*
- One of the Bible's recurring themes – God has always preserved a remnant chosen by grace.
- A very comforting truth for the believer (cf. Rev 3:4)

1. A remnant preserved magnifies the grace of God

- God is a thrice-holy God – sin results in divine judgement
- God's wrath is poured upon the children of Israel for forsaking the covenant of their God (Isa 3:8-9)
- The range and depth of Judah's sin (Ezk 16) – judgment is given to awaken Judah to the enormity of their sins
 - God's final word is not judgment, but mercy
- The extent of God's mercy (Ezr 9:13-14, 8a) – the sparing of a remnant magnifies the grace of God!

2. A remnant preserved testifies of God's faithfulness

- The faithfulness of God concerning Israel (Rom 11:1-5; Deut 7:9)
- Tracing the preservation of a remnant
 - Noah (Gen 6:13; 7:1)
 - Lot (Gen 13:13, 2 Pet 2:7)
 - Joseph (Gen 37:20; 50:20)
 - Daniel's three friends (Dan 3:25,27-28)
- God's sovereignty and preserving care for Israel (Isa 42:24-25; 43:1-7)
- A restoration of Israel according to promise (Isa 11:11; Rom 11:29, Jer 33:14)

3. A remnant preserved returns glory to God

- The salvation of national Israel (Rom 11:26, Zech 12:10; 13:1)
- The cleansing of Jerusalem unto holiness (Zech 13:9, Isa 4:3-4; Mal 3:4)
- God will glorify Himself in Israel (Isa 10:12; Dan 4:30,37; Isa 44:23)

REFLECTIONS

1. Throw yourself upon the mercy of God (Lk 23:40-42; Ezk 16:63)
2. Rest in the unchanging faithfulness of God (Mal 3:6, Psa 105:8-10)
3. Abound in genuine praise to God for your salvation (Exo 20:2; Mal 1:11)