

"A Picture of Our Future Reality" Isaiah 60:1-22 • Pastor Jim Lennon September 13, 2020

Introduction - Isaiah 60 presents four ways our future with Jesus will be glorious. Not only will we be changed, we will receive a new identity and new life in Christ's kingdom.

- I. Our New Priestly Function. (Is. 60:7-9)
  - A. We will mediate and lead others in worshiping the LORD.
  - B. People will bring their valuables to us to offer in praise to the LORD.
- II. Our New Royal Identity. (Is. 60:10-15)
  - A. We will be vice-regents in Christ's kingdom.
  - B. We will be put in charge of the Lord's economy.
  - C. Our "oppressors" will be transformed into our "helpers."
  - D. Our royal identity is described elsewhere in Scripture.
    - 1. Genesis 1:26
    - 2. Luke 19:16-17
    - 3. II Timothy 2:12
    - 4. Revelation 5:10: 20:6
    - 5. I Peter 2:9

- F. There will be a great reversal of fortune in Christ's kingdom. (*Is.* 60:15-18)
  - 1. Honor and authority.
  - 2. Peace and righteousness.

## III. Our Relationship with God Will Be Different! (Is. 60:19-20)

A. No longer a mediated encounter.

1 John 3:2

Revelation 22:4-5

B. No need for anything else besides the LORD.

## IV. Our Relationship with One Another Will Be Different!

- A. We will be righteous.
- B. We will be fruitful.

## Conclusion -

God is preparing us now for the major changes we will experience in the future.

Two possible futures await everyone that will be determined by their response to Messiah. (Is. 60:9-12)