



“Paradise Lost and Regained”

Isaiah 66:1-24 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon
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Introduction - *The first part of Isaiah 66 begins with a solemn word, a basic question, and a shocking answer. The last part gives us the last word.*

I. Where God Chooses to Dwell. (Is. 66:1-2)

- A. In heaven.
- B. With people who are humble, broken in spirit and tremble at His Word.

II. Paradise Lost. (Is. 66:3-4)

- A. Worship gone haywire.
- B. How paradise was lost.

- C. The consequences of our choices.

III. Paradise Regained. (Is. 66:5-24)

- A. The false worship of Cain.
- B. The miraculous birth.

- C. The hand of the LORD.

- D. Three voices from the LORD: A voice from the city. A voice from the temple. A voice of the LORD who renders recompense.

- 1. A voice of uproar from the city: Messiah will judge and make things right.

- 2. A voice from the temple. Messiah will reign and reverse the consequences of the fall.

- 3. God will create a new heaven and earth.

- 4. A voice of recompense from the LORD. There will be a final judgment where the eternal destiny of all mankind will be decided.

- E. The three places God chooses to dwell:

- 1. In heaven.

- 2. With people who are humble, broken in spirit and tremble at His Word.

- 3. In the midst of His people on earth, when He returns to reign.

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