

Isaiah 61

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The Year of the Lord's Favor

- 1** The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;
 - 2** To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;
 - 3** To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.
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- 4** And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.
 - 5** And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.
 - 6** But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.
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- 7** For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

- ⁸ For I the LORD love judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
- ⁹ And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the seed which the LORD hath blessed.
- ¹⁰ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.
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- ¹¹ For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.
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HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Covenant — בְּרִית (Berit)

Covenant, treaty

The Hebrew **berit** (בְּרִית) denotes a covenant—a binding agreement, often ratified by blood sacrifice. God's covenants (Abrahamic, Mosaic, Davidic) structure redemptive history, culminating in the New Covenant.

Glory — כְּבוֹד (Kavod)

Glory, weight, honor

The Hebrew **kavod** (כְּבוֹד) literally means 'weight' or 'heaviness,' metaphorically denoting glory, honor, or majesty. God's glory (Shekinah) filled the tabernacle (Exodus 40:34) and temple (1 Kings 8:11).

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Judgment — מִשְׁפָּט (Mishpat)

Judgment, justice

The Hebrew **mishpat** (מִשְׁפָּט) means judgment or justice—God's righteous decisions and ordinances. God is the Judge of all the earth who 'shall do right' (Genesis 18:25), executing perfect justice.

Lord — אֲדֹנָי / יְהוָה (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יְהוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Righteous — צַדִּיק (Tzaddik)

Righteous one

The Hebrew **tzaddik** (צַדִּיק) describes one who is righteous, just, or lawful—conforming to God's standard. From the root tzedek (צֶדֶק), meaning righteousness or justice.

Spirit — רוּחַ (Ruach)

Spirit, wind, breath

The Hebrew **ruach** (רוּחַ) means spirit, wind, or breath—invisible but powerful. It describes both the Holy Spirit and the human spirit. God's Spirit gives life and empowers His people.

CROSS REFERENCES

Isaiah 61:1

Parallel theme: Isaiah 42:7; 49:9; Psalms 147:3; Matthew 11:5; Luke 7:22. **Spirit:** Isaiah 42:1; 48:16; 57:15; Psalms 34:18; Acts 10:38

Isaiah 61:2

Parallel theme: Isaiah 57:18; Jeremiah 31:13; Matthew 5:4; 1 Thessalonians 2:16. **References Lord:** Isaiah 34:8; 49:8; 66:14; Luke 4:19. **References God:** Isaiah 25:8; 35:4

Isaiah 61:3 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 23:5; 30:11; Ecclesiastes 9:8; Matthew 5:16; John 16:20.

Righteousness: Isaiah 61:10; Psalms 45:7. **Resurrection:** 1 Peter 2:9. **Spirit:** 1 Corinthians 6:20. **References Lord:** Zechariah 3:5

Isaiah 61:4 **Resurrection:** Isaiah 58:12

Isaiah 61:6

Parallel theme: Exodus 19:6; 2 Corinthians 11:23; 1 Peter 2:9. **References God:** 1 Corinthians 4:1; 1 Peter 2:5; Revelation 5:10; 20:6. **References Lord:** Isaiah 66:21

Isaiah 61:7

Parallel theme: Isaiah 40:2; 2 Kings 2:9; Job 42:10; Psalms 16:11; Zechariah 9:12. **Eternal Life:** Isaiah 35:10; 51:11; Matthew 25:46; 2 Corinthians 4:17; 2 Thessalonians 2:16

Isaiah 61:8 **Love:** Psalms 11:7; 33:5; 37:28; 45:7; 99:4. **Judgment:** Proverbs 8:20; Jeremiah 9:24. **Covenant:** Isaiah 55:3; Genesis 17:7; Jeremiah 32:40

Isaiah 61:9 **Blessing:** Isaiah 44:3; 65:23; Genesis 22:18; Zechariah 8:13; Acts 3:26.

References Lord: Psalms 115:14

Isaiah 61:10 **Righteousness:** Isaiah 61:3; Psalms 132:9; Romans 14:17; Philippians 3:9.

Salvation: Psalms 132:16. **References God:** Romans 5:11; Revelation 21:2. **References Lord:** Isaiah 49:18; 51:11. **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 52:1

Isaiah 61:11 **References Lord:** Isaiah 58:11. **Resurrection:** Isaiah 60:18; 62:7; 1 Peter 2:9.

Righteousness: Isaiah 45:8; 62:1; Psalms 72:3; 85:11. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 72:16; Matthew 13:23

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