

Isaiah 64:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

'And there is none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee: for thou hast hid thy face from us, and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.' The absence of genuine prayer compounds the problem - 'none that calleth...stirreth up himself.' Spiritual lethargy accompanies moral failure. God's hidden face is both judgment and experience.

Historical Context

This describes the low point of spiritual condition - no one even seeking God. The 'hidden face' of God is the most devastating aspect of judgment.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. What spiritual lethargy prevents stirring yourself to seek God?
2. What does it feel like when God 'hides His face'?

Interlinear Text

וְאֵין H369	קוֹל אֶ H7121	בְּשִׁמְךָ H8034	מִתְעוֹרֵר H5782	
And there is none	that calleth	upon thy name	that stirreth up	
לְהִיטֵל יָדוֹ H2388	בְּךָ H0	כִּי H3588	הִסְתָּ רִצְּךָ H5641	מִפְּנֵי פָנֶיךָ H4480
himself to take hold		of thee for thou hast hid	thy face	
וַתִּמְוֶגַּח H4127	בְּיָד H3027	עוֹנֵנוּ H5771		
from us and hast consumed	us because	of our iniquities		

Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 22:30 (Parallel theme): And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

Isaiah 59:16 (Parallel theme): And he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him.

Hosea 7:14 (Parallel theme): And they have not cried unto me with their heart, when they howled upon their beds: they assemble themselves for corn and wine, and they rebel against me.

Isaiah 50:2 (Parallel theme): Wherefore, when I came, was there no man? when I called, was there none to answer? Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? or have I no power to deliver? behold, at my rebuke I dry up the sea, I

make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because there is no water, and dieth for thirst.

Isaiah 54:8 (Parallel theme): In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer.

Isaiah 59:2 (Parallel theme): But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.

Isaiah 27:5 (Parallel theme): Or let him take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with me; and he shall make peace with me.

Hosea 7:7 (Parallel theme): They are all hot as an oven, and have devoured their judges; all their kings are fallen: there is none among them that calleth unto me.

Isaiah 57:17 (Parallel theme): For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.

Isaiah 59:4 (Parallel theme): None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.