

Isaiah 26

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A Song of Salvation

1 In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah:

We have a strong city;  
God will appoint salvation for walls and bulwarks.

2 Open the gates,  
That the righteous nation which keeps the truth may

enter in.

3 You will keep him in perfect peace,

Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You.

4 Trust in the LORD forever,  
For in YAH, the LORD, is everlasting strength.

5 For He brings down those who dwell on high,  
The lofty city;

He lays it low,  
He lays it low to the ground,  
He brings it down to the dust.  
6 The foot shall tread it down—

The feet of the poor  
And the steps of the needy.”

7 The way of the just is uprightness; O Most  
Upright,  
You weigh the path of the just.

8 Yes, in the way of Your judgments,  
O LORD, we have waited for You; The desire  
of our soul is for Your name And for the  
remembrance of You.

9 With my soul I have desired You in the night,  
Yes, by my spirit within me I will seek You  
early; For when Your judgments are in the  
earth,  
The inhabitants of the world will learn  
righteousness.

10 Let grace be shown to the wicked,

Yet he will not learn righteousness;  
In the land of uprightness he will deal unjustly,  
And will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

11 LORD, when Your hand is lifted up, they  
will not see.

But they will see and be ashamed  
For their envy of people;  
Yes, the fire of Your enemies shall devour them.

12 LORD, You will establish peace for us, For  
You have also done all our works in us. 13 O  
LORD our God, masters besides You

Have had dominion over us;  
But by You only we make mention of Your  
name.

14 They are dead, they will not live;  
They are deceased, they will not rise.  
Therefore You have punished and destroyed  
them, And made all their memory to perish.

15 You have increased the nation, O LORD,  
You have increased the nation;  
You are glorified;

You have expanded all the borders of the land.

16 LORD, in trouble they have visited You,

They poured out a prayer when Your chastening was upon them.

17 As a woman with child

Is in pain and cries out in her pangs,

When she draws near the time of her delivery,

So have we been in Your sight, O LORD.

18 We have been with child, we have been in pain;

We have, as it were, brought forth wind;

We have not accomplished any deliverance in the earth, Nor have the inhabitants of the world fallen.

19 Your dead shall live;

Together with my dead body they shall arise.

Awake and sing, you who dwell in dust;

For your dew is like the dew of herbs,

And the earth shall cast out the dead.

Take Refuge from the Coming Judgment

20 Come, my people, enter your chambers,  
And shut your doors behind you;  
Hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment,  
Until the indignation is past.

21 For behold, the LORD comes out of His  
place  
To punish the inhabitants of the earth for their  
iniquity; The earth will also disclose her blood,  
And will no more cover her slain.











