

4. The promise.

God promises a remedy. Identify the ways in which people will interact with one another when the Kingdom comes in its fullness (Isaiah 2:2-4; 4:2-6; 9:1-5; 11:9-13; 32:15-18; 33:17-24; 60:18-22; 65:17-25). Why are those interactions so attractive?

5. The interim fulfilment.

"The time has come ... The kingdom of God has come near" (Mark 1:15). In the gospels, Jesus announces the inauguration of the kingdom yet describes a phase of kingdom life that is interim. While calling his citizens to a kingdom lifestyle, there are clues that all is not yet as it one day will be. For example, scan the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7). What are the social implications of Jesus' instructions to his followers? What evidence do you see that this is not yet the kingdom in its fullest expression?

6. The ultimate fulfilment

How do you respond to the idea that "the best is yet to come" as it relates to the kingdom?

Sermon Notes

Isaiah's Anticipated King and Kingdom

Remedy for Community Brokenness

Isaiah 2:1-4; 11:6-9

December 21, 2025

Let's Pray:

Growth Group Homework

For the week of 12-21-2025

Getting Started:

1. "Hurt people hurt people." "Sinners sin." How could things be different if, after our resurrection, when we are living in glorified bodies on a resurrected planet Earth, if our fallen sinful nature has been completely eradicated, if the hurts of our past were completely healed, and if we are led by a sinless Savior reigning as King? Describe what society would be like.

Digging Deeper:

2. The problem vs. the ultimate solution.
Contrast the following pairs of verses. What are the points of difference between the present situation and the anticipated ultimate condition?

Isaiah 1:21, 26

Isaiah 3:8; 4:3

Isaiah 9:17; 60:21

Isaiah 59:3-8; 58:6-12

3. The problem.
Isaiah chronicles an extended list of sins in Isaiah 5:7-24. Identify as many as you can. Beyond the personal problems, consider how each of these sins negatively impacts the community. Among these, pick one or two that continue to have significant negative impact in our own society, and tell why you picked those as some of the worst.