

<sup>1</sup> In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: We have a strong city; God makes salvation its walls and ramparts.

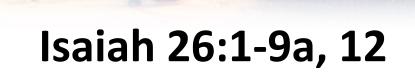


<sup>2</sup> Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, the nation that keeps faith.



<sup>3</sup> You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.





<sup>4</sup> Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord himself, is the Rock eternal.

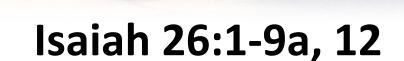


<sup>5</sup> He humbles those who dwell on high, he lays the lofty city low; he levels it to the ground and casts it down to the dust.

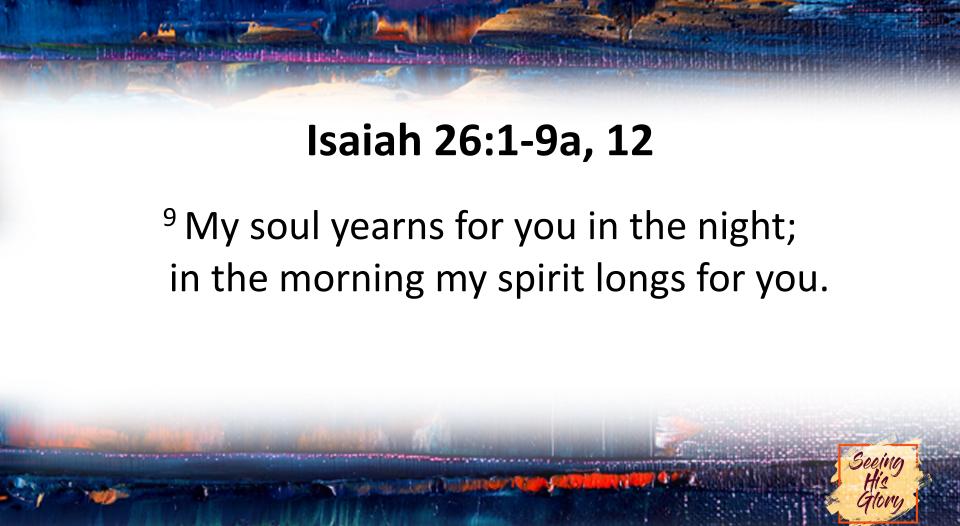




<sup>7</sup> The path of the righteous is level; you, the Upright One, make the way of the righteous smooth.



<sup>8</sup> Yes, Lord, walking in the way of your laws, we wait for you; your name and renown are the desire of our hearts.





12 Lord, you establish peace for us; all that we have accomplished you have done for us.







his righteousness live in the fertile field.

<sup>17</sup> The fruit of that righteousness will be peace; its effect will be quietness and confidence forever.

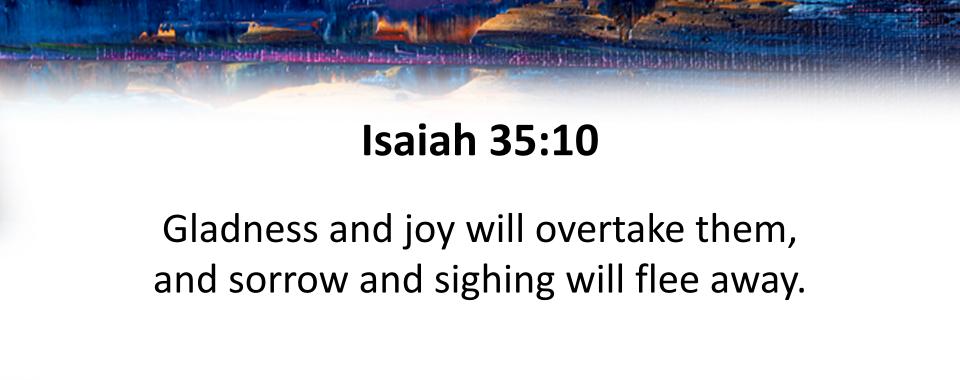


<sup>18</sup> My people will live in peaceful dwelling places, in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest.



and those the Lord has rescued will return.

They will enter Zion with singing;
everlasting joy will crown their heads.

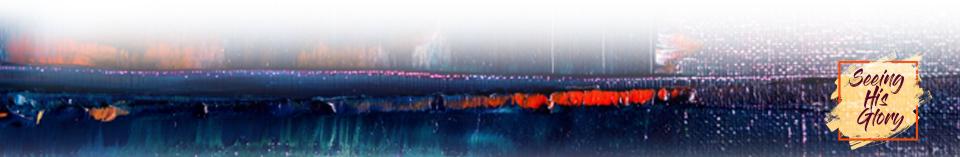




<sup>1</sup>Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
 <sup>2</sup>Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her hard service has been completed,



that her sin has been paid for, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.





The Lord will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; he will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the Lord.



Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing.





Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you.

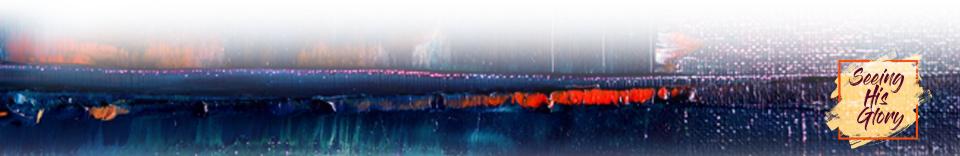


You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.





1. The **character** of God's peace, joy, and comfort







2. The **disciplines** by which you experience God's peace, joy, and comfort





3. Why God's peace, joy, and comfort are not ends in themselves

