

JOY TO A BROKEN WORLD

Main Idea: God will come and heal all physical and spiritual brokenness.

God Will Restore a Sinful World (35:1–2)

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

Isaiah 33:9 “The land mourns and languishes; Lebanon is confounded and withers away; Sharon is like a desert, and Bashan and Carmel shake off their leaves.”

Isaiah 1:30 “you shall be like an oak whose leaf withers, and like a garden without water” (1:30)

Isaiah 44:3 For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants.

God Will Bring His Justice (35:3–7)

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart, “Be strong; fear not!

your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.

God Will Heal the Broken (35:5–7)

A. Physical Brokenness

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.”

Matthew 11:4–5 “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up.”

Matthew 15:30–31 – And great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute, and many others, and they put them at his feet, and he healed them, so that the crowd wondered, when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled healthy, the lame walking, and the blind seeing.”

B. Spiritual Brokenness

Matthew 9:6 that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he then said to the paralytic—“Rise, pick up your bed and go home.

the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

God Will Repair the Way Home (35:8–10)

- A. The road:** And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness.
- B. The wrong travelers:** It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray.
- C. The dangers:** No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there
- D. The right travelers:** but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return.
- E. The direction.** And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing
- F. The destination:** And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing;
- G. The activities:** And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Application

1. Trust in God.
2. Keep hoping in Jesus.
3. Remember deliverance takes time.
4. Sing along the way