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a. Near Term - The Conquest of Judah (13:2-5)

1). A mighty army (v 2)

2). "Sanctified" by God (v 3)

3). Called together by God (v 4)

**4). The instrument of God's judgment on Judah
(v 5)**

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**b. Far Term - The One World System Judged in the
Great Tribulation Period (13:6-16)**

1). The object of God's wrath (v 6)

2). The extent of God's wrath (vv 7-9)

3). The magnitude of God's wrath (vv 10-11)

Matthew 24:29-30

**4). The executor of God's wrath is Christ himself
(v 12)**

5). The horror of God's wrath (vv 13-16)

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B. The First Destruction of Babylon (Isaiah 13:17-22)

1. By the Medes (13:17)

2. The extent of the destruction (13:18)

3. The magnitude of the destruction (13:19)

4. The horror of the destruction (13:20-22)

a. No one will want to live there (v 20)

b. Overrun by beasts and demons (vv 21-22a)

c. It will happen soon (v 22b)

d. It will be swift and complete (v 22c)

The Origin of Evil

Isaiah 14

The origin and final judgment of sin

**Following God has always been an
issue of choice**

I. The Future Restoration of Israel and the Peace of the Kingdom (Isaiah 14:1-8)

A. Based on God's mercy (14:1)

Isaiah 14:1

For the LORD will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and set them in their own land: and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob.

I. The Future Restoration of Israel and the Peace of the Kingdom (Isaiah 14:1-8)

B. Based on God's original plan (14:2)

Isaiah 14:2

And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the LORD for servants and handmaids: and they shall take them captives, whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors.

I. The Future Restoration of Israel and the Peace of the Kingdom (Isaiah 14:1-8)

C. Based on God's judgment (14:3-6)

Isaiah 14:3-6

3 And it shall come to pass in the day that the LORD shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve,

4 That thou shalt take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say, How hath the oppressor ceased! the golden city ceased!

5 The LORD hath broken the staff of the wicked, and the sceptre of the rulers.

6 He who smote the people in wrath with a continual stroke, he that ruled the nations in anger, is persecuted, and none hindereth.

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D. Based on God's peace (14:7-8)

Isaiah 14:7-8

7 The whole earth is at rest, and is quiet: they break forth into singing.

8 Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.

II. The Final Ruler of the World Judged (Isaiah 14:9-11)

A. Hell prepared for those who deny God (14:9)

Isaiah 14:9

Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.

II. The Final Ruler of the World Judged (Isaiah 14:9-11)

B. All judged the same (14:10)

Isaiah 14:10

All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? art thou become like unto us?

C. No glory there (14:11)

Isaiah 14:11

Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, and the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee.

III. The Fall of Satan (Isaiah 14:12-17)

A. His origin (14:12)

Isaiah 14:12

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

III. The Fall of Satan (Isaiah 14:12-17)

B. His sin is pride (14:13-14)

Isaiah 14:13-14

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

- 1. Originated in his heart**
- 2. Manifested in his actions**

III. The Fall of Satan (Isaiah 14:12-17)

C. His fate (14:15-17)

Isaiah 14:15-17

15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;

17 That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?

IV. The Final Judgment of Babylon

(Isaiah 14:18-27)

A. The death of the king (14:18-20)

Isaiah 14:18-20

18 All the kings of the nations, even all of them, lie in glory, every one in his own house.

19 But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcass trodden under feet.

20 Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.

No burial

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B. The destruction of his house (14:21-22)

Isaiah 14:21-22

21 Prepare slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their fathers; that they do not rise, nor possess the land, nor fill the face of the world with cities.

22 For I will rise up against them, saith the LORD of hosts, and cut off from Babylon the name, and remnant, and son, and nephew, saith the LORD.

No remnant

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(Isaiah 14:18-27)

C. The desolation of the land (14:23)

Isaiah 14:23

I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction, saith the LORD of hosts.

Nothing left

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D. The decree of God (14:24-27)

Isaiah 14:24-27

24 The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:

25 That I will break the Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains tread him under foot: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and his burden depart from off their shoulders.

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D. The decree of God (14:24-27) - continued

Isaiah 14:24-27

26 This is the purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth: and this is the hand that is stretched out upon all the nations.

27 For the LORD of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul it? and his hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back?

No changing

V. The Fierce Repudiation of Palestine (Isaiah 14:28-32)

A. For their false hope (14:28-29)

Isaiah 14:28-29

28 In the year that king Ahaz died was this burden.

29 Rejoice not thou, whole Palestina, because the rod of him that smote thee is broken: for out of the serpent's root shall come forth a cockatrice, and his fruit shall be a fiery flying serpent.

V. The Fierce Repudiation of Palestine (Isaiah 14:28-32)

B. For their failure to find God (14:30-31)

Isaiah 14:30-31

30 And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety: and I will kill thy root with famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.

31 Howl, O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole Palestina, art dissolved: for there shall come from the north a smoke, and none shall be alone in his appointed times.

V. The Fierce Repudiation of Palestine (Isaiah 14:28-32)

C. For their attempt to thwart God's plan (14:32)

Isaiah 14:32

**What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation?
That the LORD hath founded Zion, and the poor of his
people shall trust in it.**

What Is Your Choice?