ISAIAH 5; June 30; Woes on Various Sins in Israel

ANALYSIS: 1. Who does "My beloved" and the "vineyard" of verse one stand for?

2. What features of this parable express the idea of permanence in the work and plan of "My beloved"?

3. Which one of the "woes" (#1 in v 8, #2 in v 11, #3 in v 18, #4 in v 20. #5 in v 21, #6 in v 22) of judgment from the LORD is because of wicked men judging for reward?

4. What was the chief reason God would judge Judah according to verse 24?

5. God will punish Judah by what means according to verse 26?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

The anger of the LORD in this chapter is kindled against "his people" (v 25). "For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth" (Heb 12:6). The fair and loving correction of our earthly fathers benefited us (can you remember?!). Much more we His children are profited by His chastening "that we might be partakers of his holiness" (Heb 12:10).

Can you remember and identify a time when the LORD chastened you, to cause you to forsake some sin and follow Him more perfectly?

Let us all teach and support chastening to correct wrong doing, in the home, church, school and nation.

HELP:

1. "My beloved" is the LORD of Hosts. The "vineyard" is the house of Israel & men of Judah (v 7).

2. He fenced it and built a tower for safety, removed the stones to increase fertility, planted choicest vine for excellence and productivity, made a winepress (v 2).

3. #6 (vs 22-23).

4. They had cast away the law of the LORD, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel (v 24).

5. The nations from far [meaning an invading foreign army] (v 26).