

Anointed to Proclaim the Gospel of Glory (Isa. 60-62)

- A. Jesus connected the timing of His return to preaching the gospel of the kingdom to all nations (Mt. 24:14). God's answer to increasing lawlessness is the message of the gospel of the kingdom.

¹⁰And then many will be offended, will betray one another and hate one another...¹²And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold... ¹⁴And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations [ethnos], and then the end will come. (Mt. 24:10-14)

- B. To "arise" is to take action and to engage with confidence with Jesus, His people, and His kingdom.

¹"Arise, shine; for your light has come...²For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the Lord will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you.⁵Then you shall see and become radiant, and your heart shall swell with joy... (Isa. 60:1-2,5)

- C. God's plan is to raise up anointed messengers in every sphere of society who proclaim the gospel.

¹"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me because the Lord has anointed Me to preach [the good news] to the poor; He sent Me...to proclaim liberty to the captives...⁷Instead of your shame you shall have double honor...¹¹The Lord will cause righteousness...to spring forth before all the nations." (Isa. 61:1-11)

- D. The gospel is good news about the glory and beauty of a person—Jesus

¹⁷"Your eyes will see the King in His beauty." (Isa. 33:17)

- E. Before Jesus returns, the Spirit will raise up the greatest prayer movement in history (Isa. 62:6-7). The Holy Spirit will motivate people by revealing how much He delights in them.

²...You will be called by a new name...⁴You will be called, "My delight is in her..."⁵Your God will rejoice over you...⁶I have appointed watchmen [intercessors]; all day and all night they will never keep silent...⁷until He establishes and makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth. (Isa 62:2-7, NAS)