

Identify the Message

The first part of the Book of Isaiah warns the people that Jerusalem is to be destroyed because of their unfaithfulness to God. The second part of Isaiah includes words of comfort to the exiles in Babylon. The third and last part of Isaiah offers words of encouragement to the Jews after they returned to Judah and began to rebuild Jerusalem and the Temple.



Directions: Read the quotations from Isaiah below. Decide if it comes from the first, second, or third part of Isaiah. Write your answers on the lines.

1. _____
(Isaiah 24:1)

Lo, the LORD empties the land and lays it waste;
he turns it upside down,
scattering its inhabitants[.]

2. _____
(Isaiah 60:2–3)

See, darkness covers the earth,
and thick clouds cover the peoples;
But upon you the LORD shines,
and over you appears his glory.

3. _____
(Isaiah 45:19–20)

I, the LORD, promise justice,
I foretell what is right.
Come and assemble, gather together,
you fugitives from among the gentiles!

4. _____
(Isaiah 10:1–2)

Woe to those who enact unjust statutes
and who write oppressive decrees,
Depriving the needy of judgment
and robbing my people’s poor of their rights.

5. _____
(Isaiah 48:20)

Go forth from Babylon, flee from Chaldea!
With shouts of joy proclaim this, make it known;
Publish it to the ends of the earth, and say,
“The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob.”