

ISAIAH

The Holy One of Israel

How to Prepare for the Coming Glory: "Hold Fast My Covenant"

Praying for His Presence

Isaiah 63:15-64:12

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty God, You alone are just and righteous. You are transcendent. Your ways are higher than our ways and your thoughts are higher than our thoughts. For as the heavens are higher than the earth so are your ways higher than ours & your thoughts higher than ours. Lord, we are your creation. We were formed from the dust of the earth and yet you have called us yours. You are our Father, our potter, and we are the clay, your children. Lord, thank you for granting us the great grace to call upon you this morning, to pray. We confess our sin. We are unclean, polluted, fading and blown here and there by every wind of our emotions. Lord, save us. Lord, come down from your holy and beautiful habitation. Rend the heavens and come down that we might know your presence and that we might know our redemption in Jesus Christ our Lord. May your kingdom come and your will be done on earth as it is in heaven, Lord Jesus. Amen & Amen.

OUTLINE

1. The Lack of God's Presence (63:15-19)
2. The Basis for God's Presence (64:1-7)
3. The Want for God's Presence (64:8-12)

Central Textual Truth

Isaiah wanted God's people to prayerfully await the LORD's return.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to prayerfully await the return of Jesus Christ.