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**od's Holy Mountain, Isaiah ch.57**

*<sup>13</sup>But he who takes refuge in me shall inherit the land, and shall possess My holy mountain.*

*<sup>15</sup>For thus says the high and exalted One, who lives*

*forever, whose name is holy, "I dwell on a high and holy place, and also with the contrite and lowly of spirit in order to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite".*

**A brief warning regarding the dangers of prophetic certitude**

**• Mistakes of limited interpretation and hasty conclusions**

- The "getting ready" error:
  - Oct. 12, 1844: \_\_\_\_\_  
William Miller, \_\_\_\_\_  
SDA, baha'i, \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1914: \_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Taze Russell, \_\_\_\_\_  
"Investigative judgment," \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2012: \_\_\_\_\_
  - "Cognitive dissonance:" \_\_\_\_\_
- "Pied Piper" prophets: \_\_\_\_\_
- Fear based evangelism: \_\_\_\_\_
- "You'll be sorry" nags: \_\_\_\_\_
- Exclusive doctrines: \_\_\_\_\_

**• God's perspective**

- What does he desire? \_\_\_\_\_
- Is his purpose exclusive or inclusive? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Placing the Godly principles of love, mercy, forgiveness, grace, and patience above human expectations of judgment, special treatment, exclusivity, and surprise attack. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**The Text**

1. In times of evil, the righteous are delivered (by death), v.1-2  
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2. But as for you, wicked children, who are you taunting?, v.3-10
  - Lets recount your evil, and your relentless pursuit of it.  
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  - Do you think I haven't noticed your mocking of me?  
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3. And what of Me? Have you forgotten that I will have a day of accounting?, v.11-13a, \_\_\_\_\_
4. Yet, those who take refuge in Me shall possess the "land" and My holy mountain, v.13b, \_\_\_\_\_
5. Clear the path and build the road for My people, v.14-15.
  - My dwelling is high and holy. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Yet reserved for the humble and contrite. \_\_\_\_\_
6. But I will not be angry forever, v.16-19.
  - Though I was enraged, I will heal, comfort, and restore.
7. Sadly, though, for some there will be no peace, they remain resilient in their wickedness. \_\_\_\_\_

**A Peek at God**

- Despite Neitzche, God is not dead. \_\_\_\_\_  
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- God hasn't forgotten, (8:12) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Time has not eroded the eternal principle. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**The desire of God in the midst of human impatience, scorn, apathy, contempt, and forgetfulness.**

*The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance. II Peter 3:19*

**The key word here is "You."**