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Dear **Jesus**,

As part of my continuing recovery from Satan's attempt to kill me, and for other reasons, the Lord Holy Spirit recently led me to become a member of an online forum.

This is a brand new website that wasn't even a week old when I joined, and has already become a place where I can begin to share my Testimony with others.

Today I was exchanging some ideas with another member when my attention was drawn to a sidebar which has some meta data including the date on which I initially joined the forum. According to this data, it was on May the 11th, or 5/11, that I became a member of the forum.

So, my first thought was to "see" what the Scripture had to say based on the date. Typically when the Lord shows me something like this I go to two books first; Psalms, and Isaiah.

Co-incidentally, not long before I joined the Forum, I also purchased a new pair of shoes from Amazon.com. The identifying shoe style nomenclature on the outside of the shoebox, in big bold characters, reads "5.11".

Here then are the two number-matched Scriptures from the Book of Psalms and the Book of Isaiah.

The Book of Psalms
Chapter 5
Verses 1 Through 12

To the Chief Musician. With flutes. A Psalm of David.

- 1 Give ear to my words, O Lord,
Consider my meditation.
- 2 Give heed to the voice of my cry,
My King and my God,
For to You I will pray.
- 3 My voice You shall hear in the morning, O Lord;
In the morning I will direct it to You,
And I will look up.
- 4 For You are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness,
Nor shall evil dwell with You.
- 5 The boastful shall not stand in Your sight;
You hate all workers of iniquity.
- 6 You shall destroy those who speak falsehood;
The Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.
- 7 But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy;
In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple.
- 8 Lead me, O Lord, in Your righteousness because of my enemies;

- Make Your way straight before my face.
- 9 For there is no faithfulness in their mouth;
Their inward part is destruction;
Their throat is an open tomb;
They flatter with their tongue.
- 10 Pronounce them guilty, O God!
Let them fall by their own counsels;
Cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions,
For they have rebelled against You.
- 11 But let all those rejoice who put their trust in You;
Let them ever shout for joy, because You defend them;
Let those also who love Your name
Be joyful in You.
- 12 For You, O Lord, will bless the righteous;
With favor You will surround him as with a shield.

The Book of Psalms
Chapter 11
Verses 1 Through 7

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

- 1 In the Lord I put my trust;
How can you say to my soul,
“Flee as a bird to your mountain”?
- 2 For look! The wicked bend their bow,
They make ready their arrow on the string,
That they may shoot secretly at the upright in heart.
- 3 If the foundations are destroyed,
What can the righteous do?
- 4 The Lord is in His holy temple,
The Lord’S throne is in heaven;
His eyes behold,
His eyelids test the sons of men.
- 5 The Lord tests the righteous,
But the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates.
- 6 Upon the wicked He will rain coals;
Fire and brimstone and a burning wind
Shall be the portion of their cup.
- 7 For the Lord is righteous,
He loves righteousness;
His countenance beholds the upright.

The Book of Isaiah
Chapter 5
Verses 1 Through 30

- 1 Now let me sing to my Well-beloved
A song of my Beloved regarding His vineyard:
My Well-beloved has a vineyard
On a very fruitful hill.
- 2 He dug it up and cleared out its stones,
And planted it with the choicest vine.
He built a tower in its midst,
And also made a winepress in it;
So He expected it to bring forth good grapes,
But it brought forth wild grapes.
- 3 “And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah,
Judge, please, between Me and My vineyard.
- 4 What more could have been done to My vineyard
That I have not done in it?
Why then, when I expected it to bring forth good grapes,
Did it bring forth wild grapes?
- 5 And now, please let Me tell you what I will do to My vineyard:
I will take away its hedge, and it shall be burned;
And break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.
- 6 I will lay it waste;
It shall not be pruned or dug,
But there shall come up briars and thorns.
I will also command the clouds
That they rain no rain on it.”
- 7 For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel,
And the men of Judah are His pleasant plant.
He looked for justice, but behold, oppression;
For righteousness, but behold, a cry for help.
- 8 Woe to those who join house to house;
They add field to field,
Till there is no place
Where they may dwell alone in the midst of the land!
- 9 In my hearing the Lord of hosts said,
“Truly, many houses shall be desolate,
Great and beautiful ones, without inhabitant.
- 10 For ten acres of vineyard shall yield one bath,
And a homer of seed shall yield one ephah.”
- 11 Woe to those who rise early in the morning,
That they may follow intoxicating drink;
Who continue until night, till wine inflames them!
- 12 The harp and the strings,
The tambourine and flute,
And wine are in their feasts;

But

they do not regard the work of the Lord.

Nor

consider the operation of His hands.

- 13 Therefore my people have gone into captivity,
Because they have no knowledge;
Their honorable men are famished,
And their multitude dried up with thirst.
- 14 Therefore Sheol has enlarged itself
And opened its mouth beyond measure;
Their glory and their multitude and their pomp,
And he who is jubilant, shall descend into it.
- 15 People shall be brought down,
Each man shall be humbled,
And the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled.
- 16 But the Lord of hosts shall be exalted in judgment,
And God who is holy shall be hallowed in righteousness.
- 17 Then the lambs shall feed in their pasture,
And in the waste places of the fat ones strangers shall eat.
- 18 Woe to those who draw iniquity with cords of vanity,
And sin as if with a cart rope;
- 19 That say, "Let Him make speed and hasten His work,
That we may see it;
And let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw near and come,
That we may know it."
- 20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil;
Who put darkness for light, and light for darkness;
Who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!
- 21 Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes,
And prudent in their own sight!
- 22 Woe to men mighty at drinking wine,
Woe to men valiant for mixing intoxicating drink,
- 23 Who justify the wicked for a bribe,
And take away justice from the righteous man!
- 24 Therefore, as the fire devours the stubble,
And the flame consumes the chaff,
So their root will be as rottenness,
And their blossom will ascend like dust;
Because they have rejected the law of the Lord of hosts,
And despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.
- 25 Therefore the anger of the Lord is aroused against His people;
He has stretched out His hand against them

- And stricken them,
 And the hills trembled.
 Their carcasses were as refuse in the midst of the streets.
 For all this His anger is not turned away,
 But His hand is stretched out still.
- 26 He will lift up a banner to the nations from afar;
 And will whistle to them from the end of the earth;
 Surely they shall come with speed, swiftly.
- 27 No one will be weary or stumble among them,
 No one will slumber or sleep;
 Nor will the belt on their loins be loosed,
 Nor the strap of their sandals be broken;
- 28 Whose arrows are sharp,
 And all their bows bent;
 Their horses' hooves will seem like flint,
 And their wheels like a whirlwind.
- 29 Their roaring will be like a lion,
 They will roar like young lions;
 Yes, they will roar
 And lay hold of the prey;
 They will carry it away safely,
 And no one will deliver.
- 30 In that day they will roar against them
 Like the roaring of the sea.
 And if one looks to the land,
 Behold, darkness and sorrow;
 And the light is darkened by the clouds.

The Book of Isaiah
Chapter 11
Verses 1 Through 16

- 1 There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse,
 And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.
- 2 The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him,
 The Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
 The Spirit of counsel and might,
 The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.
- 3 His delight is in the fear of the Lord,
 And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes,
 Nor decide by the hearing of His ears;
- 4 But with righteousness He shall judge the poor,
 And decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
 He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth,
 And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked.
- 5 Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins,

- And faithfulness the belt of His waist.
- 6 “The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb,
The leopard shall lie down with the young goat,
The calf and the young lion and the fatling together;
And a little child shall lead them.
- 7 The cow and the bear shall graze;
Their young ones shall lie down together;
And the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
- 8 The nursing child shall play by the cobra’s hole,
And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper’s den.
- 9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain,
For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord
As the waters cover the sea.
- 10 “And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse,
Who shall stand as a banner to the people;
For the Gentiles shall seek Him,
And His resting place shall be glorious.”
- 11 It shall come to pass in that day
That the Lord shall set His hand again the second time
To recover the remnant of His people who are left,
From Assyria and Egypt,
From Pathros and Cush,
From Elam and Shinar,
From Hamath and the islands of the sea.
- 12 He will set up a banner for the nations,
And will assemble the outcasts of Israel,
And gather together the dispersed of Judah
From the four corners of the earth.
- 13 Also the envy of Ephraim shall depart,
And the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off;
Ephraim shall not envy Judah,
And Judah shall not harass Ephraim.
- 14 But they shall fly down upon the shoulder of the Philistines toward the west;
Together they shall plunder the people of the East;
They shall lay their hand on Edom and Moab;
And the people of Ammon shall obey them.
- 15 The Lord will utterly destroy the tongue of the Sea of Egypt;
With His mighty wind He will shake His fist over the River,
And strike it in the seven streams,
And make men cross over dryshod.
- 16 There will be a highway for the remnant of His people
Who will be left from Assyria,
As it was for Israel
In the day that he came up from the land of Egypt.

Blessings...

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