

Teachers in the Kingdom of God

2700 years ago, Isaiah points out a problem “**now**” that will **not** exist in the world tomorrow ...



Isa 30:18-20 Therefore the LORD will wait, that He may be **gracious** to you; And therefore **He** will be **exalted**, that **He** may have **mercy** on you. For the **LORD** is a **God of justice**; Blessed *are* all those who **wait** for Him. For the people shall **dwell** in **Zion** at **Jerusalem**; You shall weep no more. He will be **very gracious** to you at the sound of your **cry**; When **He** hears it, He will **answer** you. And *though* the Lord gives you The bread of adversity and the water of affliction, **Yet your teachers will not be moved into a corner anymore, But your eyes shall see your teachers.**

... Isa 30:21 Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," Whenever you turn to the right hand Or whenever you turn to the left.

Scriptural Lessons ...

- **1.** Teachers “in a corner” are not effective.
 - Imagine a classroom where bullies push teachers into a corner & to “be quiet”!
- **2.** In the World tomorrow ... Teachers will be visible & engaging with everyone

This morning ... I would like to speak about **our Role** in the World tomorrow to be **Teachers** of Israel ... so Israel can be the model nation (for the World) it was always meant to be!

Some “quick points” in Scripture about Teaching...

Mat 23:8-10 But you, do not be called '**Rabbi**'; for One is your **Teacher**, the **Christ**, and you are all brethren. Do not call anyone on earth your father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven. And do not be called **teachers**; for One is your **Teacher**, the **Christ**.

- **3.** Jesus is *our* Teacher ... and our example of a **great** Teacher

1Co 12:28 And **God** has **appointed** these in the church: first **apostles**, second **prophets**, third **teachers**, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues.

- **4.** The Church of God has Teachers appointed by God

Tit 2:3 the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, **teachers** of good things—

- **5.** Christian Women are teachers

... How many here for first or 2nd feast ? 5th? 10th? 20th? 30th? The writer of Hebrews says ...

Heb 5:12 For though by this time you ought to be **teachers**, you need *someone* to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God...

- **6.** The writer of Hebrews says ... Members studying God's ways for many years ... Should also be teachers – it is “to **be expected** of us!
- **7. What** Things will we need to teach in the World Tomorrow?
- How to live right with fellowman & before God (Exodus 20 - Ten Commandments, Matt 5-7 - Sermon on the Mount, Lev 23 – Holy Days & Plan of God)

What are some qualities of good teachers and of the good students (or “disciples”)

Luk 2:46 Now so it was *that* after three days they found Him (**Young Jesus**) in the temple, sitting in the midst of the **teachers**, both **listening** to them and **asking** them questions.

- To have **expert knowledge**, Teachers & students must learn, study, & challenge their knowledge with others – **Listening & asking questions**

The **Learning Cycle** lists 5 points in a circle (to illustrate the Teaching / Learning process)

1. Introduce a topic or concept
2. Explore it
3. Practice it
4. Apply the learning
5. Receive feedback



Matthew 10 & Luke 10 shows the sending of the 70 (or 72) disciples to evangelize & their feedback when they return. (a prime example of “applying their learning”)

John 20 shows the Teacher working differently with Thomas who needed more “hands on” instruction – not everyone learns the same way!

Joh 20:27 Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing."

In closing ... **We learn** ... at each Feast sermon & Sabbath Service, and in our personal Bible study to be a **teacher in** the World Tomorrow ... **My hope** ... is you each realise the opportunity **today** to be a teacher **for** the Kingdom of God – Our “teaching role” exists today!