

Verse 6

**Two upcoming, inevitable realities:**

1. **God will eternally separate Himself from all who reject Him and despise His covenant.**

Verse 1

Matthew 3:11-12 - <sup>11</sup> “I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

2. **God will ultimately heal all who fear Him and keep His covenant.**

Verses 2-3

Genesis 1:21 - So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Isaiah 6:2 — Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.

1 Samuel 15:27 - As Samuel turned to go away, Saul seized the skirt of his robe, and it tore.

1 Samuel 24:4 - And the men of David said to him, “Here is the day of which the LORD said to you, ‘Behold, I will give your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it shall seem good to you.’”  
Then David arose and stealthily cut off a corner of Saul’s robe.

Matthew 9:20-22 - <sup>20</sup> And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, <sup>21</sup> for she said to herself, “If I only touch his garment, I will be made well.” <sup>22</sup> Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.”

**Three characteristics of ultimate healing:**

1. **Spiritual light**

Isaiah 60:19-21 - <sup>19</sup> The sun shall be no more your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give you light; but the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. <sup>20</sup> Your sun shall no more go down, nor your moon withdraw itself; for the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended. <sup>21</sup> Your people shall all be righteous; they shall possess the land forever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I might be glorified.

2. **Unimaginable joy**

3. **Complete victory**

**Two essential attitudes and actions to ensure covenantal obedience:**

**1. Remembrance**

Verse 4

<u>LAW</u>		<u>PROPHETS</u>		<u>WRITINGS</u>
Genesis		Joshua		Psalms
Exodus	Former	Judges		
Leviticus	Prophets	1-2 Samuel		Job
Numbers		1-2 Kings	Pre-Exilic	Proverbs
Deuteronomy			Writings	Ruth
	Latter	Isaiah		Song of Songs
	Prophets	Jeremiah		Ecclesiastes
		Ezekiel		
		The Twelve	Post-Exilic	Lamentations
			Writings	Esther
				Daniel
				Ezra-Nehemiah
				1-2 Chronicles

*Psalm 1:1-4 - <sup>1</sup> **Blessed is the man** who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;*

*<sup>2</sup> but **his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.***

*<sup>3</sup> He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. <sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.*

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*Matthew 17:1-3 - <sup>1</sup> And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup> And behold, **there appeared to them Moses and Elijah**, talking with him.*

*Acts 10:43 - To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.*

*Luke 1:16-17 - <sup>16</sup> And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, <sup>17</sup> and **he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah**, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."*

*Matthew 17:10-13 - <sup>10</sup> And the disciples asked him, "Then why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?" <sup>11</sup> He answered, "Elijah does come, and he will restore all things. <sup>12</sup> But I tell you that **Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him**, but did to him whatever they pleased. So also the Son of Man will certainly suffer at their hands." <sup>13</sup> **Then the disciples understood that he was speaking to them of John the Baptist.***

*John 1:19-21, 29-34 - <sup>19</sup> And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” <sup>20</sup> He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, “I am not the Christ.” <sup>21</sup> And they asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” He said, “I am not.” “Are you the Prophet?” And he answered, “No.”*

*<sup>29</sup> The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup> And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup> And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”*

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## **2. Anticipation**

**Scripture Reading:** *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*