

## Isaiah 4

Both of them grow out of the same situation, both of them have the same general answer, even though differing somewhat as related to the different ones to whom the message is primarily addressed. Now that is not an exact parallel to the situation in Chapters 65-66, but I think it is a sufficient parallel to bring out in general what I have in mind, and so from this viewpoint which I have arrived at after considerable study of the chapters, you have a unity in the section from 63:7 to 66 with a problem presented--a prayer; a prayer, an expression of the attitude of Israel, and expression compounded of that which is right and that which is wrong, and then you have the Divine answer to it in two main parts and the first of these main parts has two subdivisions, the first dealing with that which is wrong and the second dealing with that which is right. The second of them, the second main answer to the prayer approaches it from a slightly different basis from the first part and approaching it from that basis it deals with the wrong aspect and with the right aspect of the prayer, though often it is to some extent between them instead of putting all of one together and all of the other together. Now, that gives you a unified theory of a unified interpretation of the passage which makes it all a definite unit, deals with an immediate situation finds an answer to the immediate situation in the revelation of God's will as He plans to deal with His people in the future. That is a theory which I have advanced, a theory which seems to me to be very satisfactory as an interpretation of the material here. It is my expectation that on further study the theory will be improved in different aspects, the interpretation of certain verses will be better understood, different details worked out. I shall be very much surprised if the theory shall prove to be false one; nevertheless, I recognize the possibility that it may be proven to be a false one. It can be proven to be false by showing that there are in these chapters that which does not fit with the theory. If that can be done, it proves it to be false. How I don't know how that can be done but it might be done.