Book of Isaias

Chapter 64

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The prophet prays for the release of his people; and for the remission of their sins.

- 64:1. O that thou wouldst rend the heavens, and wouldst come down: the mountains would melt away at thy presence.
- 64:2. They would melt as at the burning of fire, the waters would burn with fire, that thy name might be made known to thy enemies: that the nations might tremble at thy presence.
- 64:3. When thou shalt do wonderful things, we shall not bear them: thou didst come down, and at thy presence the mountains melted away.
- 64:4. From the beginning of the world they have not heard, nor perceived with the ears: the eye hath not seen, O God, besides thee, what things thou hast prepared for them that wait for thee.

- 64:5. Thou hast met him that rejoiceth, and doth justice: in thy ways they shall remember thee: behold thou art angry, and we have sinned: in them we have been always, and we shall be saved.
- 64:6. And we are all become as one unclean, and all our justices as the rag of a menstruous woman: and we have all fallen as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.
- 64:7. There is none that calleth upon thy name: that riseth up, and taketh hold of thee: thou hast hid thy face from us, and hast crushed us in the hand of our iniquity.
- 64:8. And now, O Lord, thou art our father, and we are clay: and thou art our maker, and we all are the works of thy hands.
- 64:9. Be not very angry, O Lord, and remember no longer our iniquity: behold, see we are all thy people.
- 64:10. The city of thy sanctuary is become a desert, Sion is made a desert, Jerusalem is desolate.

- 64:11. The house of our holiness, and of our glory, where our fathers praised thee, is burnt with fire, and all our lovely things are turned into ruins.
- 64:12. Wilt thou refrain thyself, O Lord, upon these things, wilt thou hold thy peace, and afflict us vehemently?