What’s the Matter with You?
Isaiah 22

Everyone should see why God judges Judah along with her pagan neighbors because of the southern kingdom’s persistent sins:

1. The people’s unbelief.
2. The leaders’ unfaithfulness.


How are the citizens of Judah expressing their unbelief (vv. 1b-2a, 13)?

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How does this compare with the days prior to the return of Christ (Matt. 24:37-44)?

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What should the people of the southern kingdom be doing (v. 12)?

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What should Christians be doing as we wait for the Day of the Lord (Matt. 24:45-47; 2 Peter 3:11-12)?

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How will the Lord respond to Judah’s unbelief (v. 14)?

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Why do you think the Lord declares that Judah’s sin “will never be wiped out” (v. 14)?

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What have the people done to prepare for an attack on Jerusalem, and what is happening outside the city walls (vv. 2b-11)?

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2. The leaders’ unfaithfulness (Isa. 22:15-25).

Who is Shebna and why is he important (v. 15)?

What is Shebna doing that incurs the wrath of God and leads to a confrontation with Isaiah (v. 16)?

How will the Lord deal with this unfaithful steward (vv. 17-19)?

Who will replace Shebna and how will he lead (vv. 20-25)?

How does the Lord deal with other unfaithful stewards in Israel and the church (Matt. 21:33-46; 24:48-51; Acts 1:15-26)?

What are the characteristics of good leaders in the church (Luke 22:24-30; Acts 6:1-7; 1 Tim. 3:1-13; Titus 1:5-9)?