

Song of the Vineyard
Isaiah 5:1-25
April 21, 2024

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- Introduction (Cf. Isaiah 27:2-6; Jer. 12:7-10; Psalm 80:8) 1a
- Total Work & Total Loss! 1b-2
 - Good Soil; Rocks removed; Choice Vines; Watchtower/ Winepress
 - Only bad fruit was produced: Literally = Stink Fruit
- Call for a decision 3-4
 - What else could I have done? (Implied Answer: Nothing!)
- The decision to destroy! (Completely!) 5-6
- Identification of the Vineyard: The Nation! 7

“Stink Fruit”: Set #1 – Abuse of material benefits of life

- ❖ A – Property Pirates – Greedy grabbers. 5:8
 - Consequence: The Land will be empty and not produce. 5:9-10
- B - Party Animals – Hedonists at heart. 5:11-12
 - Consequence: The grave swallows the fat feaster. 5:13-14

Interlude (See Below)

“Stink Fruit, pt 2”: Set #2 – Abuse of moral and spiritual obligations in life

- ◆ C – Scoffers – Sin pursued. 5:18-19
- ◆ C1 – Truth Twisters – Sin justified. 5:20
- B1 – Mockers – No external authority. 5:21
- ❖ A1 - Sell-Outs – Great at small things, small at great! 5:22-23
 - Consequence: You better hurry! 5:24-25

Interlude:

- Humans humbled – You aren’t who you think you are! 5:15
- God exalted – See Isaiah 40:15,18; 48:9 5:16
- Result: Human achievement is empty! 5:17

Keys:

- Jesus on fruit: Matthew 7:16 & 7:19

Application:

- Are you producing STINK FRUIT? (Compare Galatians 5:19-23!)