May 6: Read **Isaiah 45-48**, then Pray **Psalm 119:33-64.** During this section (most vividly in Isaiah 48) God begins to reveal how there will come a time when those things which were now hidden (in Isaiah's time) would eventually be revealed. Compare with Ephesians 3 and Colossians 1.

May 7: Read **Isaiah 49-51**, then Pray **Psalm 119:65-96.** Isaiah 49 is one of the most important texts in Isaiah, in the Old Testament and in the Bible. God tells how, "It is too small a thing..." for the Messiah to only save Israel. "I will also make you a light for the Gentiles..." The poetry (repetition with intensity) is sublime and the promise of God's grace is densely packed throughout.

May 8: Available Video → Gospel of the Kingdom. Read Isaiah 52-54, then Pray Psalm 119:97-128. Spend extra time on these three chapters if needed. Spend time in prayer over these poems. These prophesies. These promises. Remember that they were written nearly 700 years before Jesus was born!

May 9: Read **Isaiah 55-57**, then Pray **Psalm 119:129-152.** Isaiah 55 is an oft misquoted passage. "My thoughts are not your thoughts..." in Isaiah 55:8-9 refer to the last sentence of verse 7. When a person repents of their sin, God will FREELY pardon that person (because of what was promised in Isaiah 53). This mercy and grace of God are not our thoughts. We would want revenge. He is love. He wants restoration. See Matthew 9:9-13.

May 10: Read **Isaiah 58-60**, then Pray **Psalm 119:153-176.** Isaiah 59 helps us understand the nature of sin, the effects of sin, the consequences of sin and what the God would do about sin (Isaiah 59:15-17)!

May 11: Read **Isaiah 61-64**, then Pray **Psalm 120.** Read Isaiah 61:1-2 and then be sure to read Luke 4:16-21 to see how Jesus used Isaiah!

May 12: Read **Isaiah 65-66**, then Pray **Psalm 121.** The rhythm of wrath and grace, law and gospel come to a climax in the final two chapters. Don't forget! This is poetry: it is showing rather than telling. What something IS like rather than what something looks like. This is God's plan for our broken world.