

Deutero-Isaiah

Chapters 61–65

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Learning objectives

- Observe: Quotes from 2 Isaiah 61–65 in the NT
- Note: Allusions and verbal parallels
- Infer: The NT’s claim to inspiration
- Analyze: A specific NT passage
- Identify: the Restrainer in 2 Thess. 2
- Rejoice: In promises for actual and everlasting life.

Reasoning

1. Yahweh spoke by 2 Isaiah writer(s).
2. Guilds conserved their writings.
3. Thus, 2 Isaiah is inspired by God.
4. Jesus fulfilled 2 Isaiah prophecies.
5. Jesus affirmed 2 Isaiah prophecies.
6. Jesus’ apostles applied 2 Isaiah in their writings.
7. Thus, NT writings are inspired by God.

What/Who is the ‘restrainer’?

- Paul sought to understand when Jesus might return.
- Paul found some answers in 2 Isaiah 66, employing its language.
- There had to be a mission to Gentiles.
- The end-times cannot come before that mission succeeds.
- Opposition to his mission came from resistant Jews.
- Yahweh is restraining the appearing of the end-times Man of Sin.
- Until the Gentile mission be fulfilled.
- “that which” (neuter) restrains = the incomplete mission.

Quotations, allusions, and linguistic parallels

2 Isaiah	New Testament
61.1 The Spirit of the Lord is on me	Luke 4:18-19
LXX: 61.1 He has sent me	Acts 27.18 I am sending you
61.1 provide for those who mourn	Luke 6.21 Blessed are you who weep
LXX: 62 10 They grieved his holy spirit.	Acts 7.51 You are always resisting the Holy Spirit Eph. 4.30 Do not grieve the Holy Spirit
64.4 You welcome those who do right	1 Corinthians 2:9-10 God prepared for those who love him
65.1 I revealed Myself ... I was found	Romans 10:20-21 I was found ... I became well known
66.5 Your brothers [Jews] who hate you	2 Thess 1.8 Those [Jews] who do not obey the gospel
66.6 recompense to his (<i>antikeimenois</i>)	2 Thess 2.4 The Man of Sin ... opposes (<i>antikeimenos</i>)
66.7 She delivered a son [Messiah].	2 Thess 2.1 The coming of our Lord Jesus Christ
65.17,22 new heavens and a new earth	2 Pet 3.13
66.1 Heaven My throne, earth footstool	Acts 7:49-50, Matt 5.34, 23.22
66.5 The Lord will be glorified	2 Thessalonians 2.12 The Lord Jesus will be glorified in you
66.9 I shut [restrain], says your God	2 Thessalonians 2.7 he who now restrains
66.14 Your heart will rejoice	John 16.22
66.15 The Lord will come in fire	2 Thessalonians 1.7 The Lord Jesus will be revealed in fire
66.16 Those slain by the LORD	2 Thes 1.9 These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction
66.18 I am coming to gather all nations	Matt 28.18 Go make disciples of all the nations Acts 2.5 from every nation ... in our own language
66.19 Declare my glory in the nations	Matt 24.14 A testimony to all the nations
66.23 Their worm will never die	[Mark 9:44, 46, 48]