

## ***“Final Confusion”*** ***Isaiah 34***

### **Verdict Pronounced V. 1-4**

The Judge – The Lord who has rage (V. 2), a sword (V. 6), a sacrifice (V. 6), and a day of vengeance (V. 8).

The Audience V. 1 – All the Earth, the Godly and the ungodly, the animals, the land, the sea, even the heavens. ***Romans 6:18-25***

The Defendant V. 2 – The enemies of God. ***Numbers 21:1-3***

The Verdict V. 3-4 – Guilty! They are labeled for destruction set aside for slaughter, they will be cast out from the presence of God with no place to hide on Earth or the Universe. All creation, including the stars will participate in their destruction. ***Revelation 6:12-17***

### **The Detailed Sentence V. 5-17**

Edom V. 5 – Edom is an example or symbol of all the ungodly of the world. They knew, had close relations with the Godly and purposefully chose to reject God worshipping themselves instead. ***Numbers 20:14-21***

“Great Slaughter” V. 6-7 – The blood, fat, lambs, goats, rams, and oxen all speak of the sacrificial system. ***Leviticus 3:1-6*** The wage of sin is death. If they will not accept Christ’s death they must supply their own. ***Romans 6:20-23***

Recompense V. 8 – This will be true justice for the cause of Zion, the people of God, and God Himself. ***Deuteronomy 32:34-43***

“Burning Pitch” V. 9-10 – Total and eternal destruction of the land and all the resources that man depended on. The image of streams of burning pitch with smoke rising is reminiscent of the fires set to the oil fields in the Gulf War. ***Revelation 14:9-11***

“Confusion” V. 11-15 – In Hebrew it is translated, *formlessness*. God will purposefully create a land void of form and structure where no human will want to or can live. It will be inhabited by the “unclean” animals of the wilderness. ***Revelation 18:1-3***

“The Book of the Lord” V. 16-17 – This is God’s laws, decrees, His eternal plan that WILL come to pass. Every last detail of His plan and prophecy will be fulfilled to perfection. ***Psalms 139:13-16***

### **Application**

### **Discussion Questions**

In what ways do we make ourselves “enemies” of God?

In what ways have you wandered in the land of “confusion”?

In the midst of utter judgment where can we find hope and trust?

### **Homework**

**Read *Isaiah Ch. 35***

**Answer the following questions:**

1. What does God’s Word say? List the facts.
2. What does God’s Word mean? Learn the lessons.
3. What does God’s Word mean to me? Listen to His voice.
4. How will I respond to God’s Word today? Live it out.

**In all yours ways trust HIM!**