## Isaiah 65

## JPS [Online]

## **Judgments and Promises**

(Romans 10:1–21)

<sup>1</sup>I gave access to them that asked not for Me, I was at hand to them that sought Me not; I said: 'Behold Me, behold Me', Unto a nation that was not called by My name.

<sup>2</sup>I have spread out My hands all the day Unto a rebellious people, That walk in a way that is not good, After their own thoughts;

<sup>3</sup>A people that provoke Me To My face continually, That sacrifice in gardens, And burn incense upon bricks;

<sup>4</sup>That sit among the graves, And lodge in the vaults; That eat swine's flesh, And broth of abominable things is in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup>That say: 'Stand by thyself, Come not near to me, for I am holier than thou'; These are a smoke in My nose, A fire that burneth all the day.

<sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before Me; I will not keep silence, except I have requited, Yea, I will requite into their bosom,

<sup>7</sup>Your own iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, Saith the LORD, that have offered upon the mountains, And blasphemed Me upon the hills; Therefore will I first measure their wage into their bosom.

<sup>8</sup>Thus saith the LORD: As, when wine is found in the cluster, One saith: `Destroy it not, For a blessing is in it'; So will I do for My servants' sakes, That I may not destroy all.

<sup>9</sup>And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, And out of Judah an inheritor of My mountains; And Mine elect shall inherit it, And My servants shall dwell there.

<sup>10</sup>And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, And the valley of Achor a place for herds to lie down in, For My people that have sought Me;

<sup>11</sup>But ye that forsake the LORD, That forget My holy mountain, That prepare a table for Fortune, And that offer mingled wine in full measure unto Destiny,

<sup>12</sup>I will destine you to the sword, And ye shall all bow down to the slaughter; Because when I called, ye did not answer, When I spoke, ye did not hear; But ye did that which was evil in Mine eyes, And chose that wherein I delighted not.

<sup>13</sup>Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold, My servants shall eat, But ye shall be hungry; Behold, My servants shall drink, But ye shall be thirsty; Behold, My servants shall rejoice, But ye shall be ashamed;

<sup>14</sup>Behold, My servants shall sing For joy of heart, But ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, And shall wail for vexation of spirit.

<sup>15</sup>And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto Mine elect: 'So may the Lord GOD slay thee'; But He shall call His servants by another name;

<sup>16</sup>So that he who blesseth himself in the earth Shall bless himself by the God of truth; And he that sweareth in the earth Shall swear by the God of truth; Because the former troubles are forgotten, And because they are hid from Mine eyes.

## A New Heaven and a New Earth

(Revelation 21:1–8)

<sup>17</sup>For, behold, I create new heavens And a new earth; And the former things shall not be remembered, Nor come into mind.

<sup>18</sup>But be ye glad and rejoice for ever In that which I create; For, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, And her people a joy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, And joy in My people; And the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, Nor the voice of crying.

<sup>20</sup>There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man, That hath not filled his days; For the youngest shall die a hundred years old, And the sinner being a hundred years old shall be accursed.

<sup>21</sup>And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; And they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.

<sup>22</sup>They shall not build, and another inhabit, They shall not plant, and another eat; For as the days of a tree shall be the days of My people, And Mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

<sup>23</sup>They shall not labour in vain, Nor bring forth for terror; For they are the seed blessed of the LORD, And their offspring with them.

<sup>24</sup>And it shall come to pass that, before they call, I will answer, And while they are yet speaking, I will hear. <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, And the lion shall eat straw like the ox; And dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, Saith the LORD.