

Berean Baptist Church

April 26, 2020



Prayer

Missionary of the Month ~ *Nathan & Jen Eda ~ India*

Prayer Ministry of the Month ~ *Children's Ministry*

Prayer Families of the Week ~ *Mark & Diane Badgero,
Steve & Kathy Cicotte, Jeff & Charlene Ray, Bill & Aimee Yoder*

Stewardship

Weekly Budget:	\$13,424.63
Tithes /Offerings:	\$12,514.87
YTD Budget:	\$214,794.15
YTD Giving:	\$226,629.15
YTD Missions:	\$35,005.74
Local Missions:	\$80,606.78
Building Fund:	\$67,819.98

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Sermon Notes

Series: In Times Like These

Terry McIntosh

Sermon: "Calamity"

Text: Isaiah 15-16

Introduction: The 21st Century thus far has been a century of calamity. It has been, and is again today, a difficult and perplexing time. How should we view such things as this? Are they the wrath of God? And if the wrath of God, should we be doing anything to mitigate them or extend relief to victims? Answers to questions like these will shape our view as to what God is like, and what we should be like in these times. Note three truths in terms of God, calamity, and us.

I. The _____ of calamity is God (15:9; 16:10)

II. God's heart in calamity is _____ (15:5; 16:9-11) - Some say of this passage that the compassion and emotion is only on the part of Isaiah and not God. Note four reasons this is a flawed view:

One - It would not be _____ for Isaiah to have compassion toward people in calamity if _____ does not.

Two - Jesus _____ over those he would _____ when he wept over Jerusalem

Three - God affirms no less than three times in Ezekiel that "I have no _____ in the death of the wicked

Four - The _____ of the text itself

III. God has a _____ for us in calamity (16:1-4)

A. To glorify God (Jn. 9)

B. That God's people might _____ to those in calamity (16:1-4a)

C. To _____ them to Christ (16:4b-5) c.f. 19:18-21

Conclusion:

- We must affirm the sovereignty of God
- We need to proclaim God's sovereignty with a heart of compassion
- We must take the opportunity to minister to those in calamity

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