

PULPIT MINISTRY: NOVEMBER- DECEMBER 2012

Theme: "Behold, this is our God" Isaiah 25:9

EVENING WORSHIP

4 November 2012

Text: **Isaiah 29**

Title: "The work of My hands"

(I) SPIRIT OF DEEP SLEEP (Israel)

- 1. The prophets (Isaiah 29:10b)**
- 2. The heads (the seers) (Isaiah 29:10c)**
- 3. The nation (as a whole)**

(II) UNABLE TO COMPREHEND THE WORD OF THE LORD

- 1. The Scriptures were like a sealed book (Isaiah 29:11)**
- 2. The people were like illiterate people (Isaiah 29:12)**

(III) WRONG THOUGHTS AND PRACTICES

- 1. Wrong thoughts of God (Isaiah 29:13)**
- 2. Wrong practices of worship**
- 3. The commandments of men**

(IV) THE SOLEMN WORKS OF GOD'S HAND

- 1. Concerning the greatly regarded**
 - a) The wise (**Isaiah 29:14a**)
 - b) The understanding (**Isaiah 29:14b**)
 - c) The ones who try and hide their counsel from God (**Isaiah 29:15a**)
 - d) The defiant (**Isaiah 29:15b**)
 - e) The scornful (**Isaiah 29:16, 20**)

They will perish!

- 2. Concerning those who are poorly regarded in society**

- a) The deaf (**Isaiah 29:18a**)
- b) The blind (**Isaiah 29:18b**)
- c) The humble (**Isaiah 29:19a**)
- d) The poor (**Isaiah 29:19b**)
- e) Those who erred (**Isaiah 29:24a**)
- f) Those who complained (**Isaiah 29:24b**)

They will be honoured by the Lord as His children and they will be blessed! (**Isaiah 29:23**)

3. Appropriate Response

- a) They will hallow God's name (**Isaiah 29:23b**)
- b) They will fear the Lord (**Isaiah 29:23c**)