

Chapter 5 Lesson 1 Answers for Review Questions

1. **Answer:**

If we do not bear fruit we will wither and die and be removed; similar consequences will be experienced when bad fruits are produced (Matt. 3:10; 7:19; Luke 13:1-9; John 15:2)
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2. **Answer:**

- (a) Individualism (Isa. 5:8-10)
- (b) Intoxication (Isa. 5:11-12, 22)
- (c) Iniquity Enjoyed (Isa. 5:18-19)
- (d) Ignoring Morality/Immorality Embrace (Isa. 5:20)
- (e) Introverts (Isa. 5:21)
- (f) Injustice (Isa. 5:22-25)

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3. **Answer:**

- (a) Individualism (Isa. 5:8-10): They had only their personal interest at heart.
- (b) Intoxication (Isa. 5:11-12, 22): This is simply referring to drunkenness; getting high one way or the other.
- (c) Iniquity Enjoyed (Isa. 5:18-19): They took pride in their sins; it was an attitude of being shameless, despite the atrocity.

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4. **Answer:**

Due to the prevalence of injustice and the dominance of wickedness, Israel would experience a great and general desolation (as seen for example in Isa. 5:24-30)
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5. **Answer:**

- (a) It would be composed of bold, vigorous, courageous men.
- (b) They would be unwearied by long painful journey
- (c) They would be fierce and violent
- (d) They would come fully prepared for conquest
- (e) They would be armed with weapons of destruction

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6. **Answer:**

It was naturally fitting because it was sung at the weekend of the Harvest Festival known as the Feast of the Tabernacles, when singing would be appropriate at such festive occasion.

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7. **Answer:**

- (a) A similar account to the song in Isaiah 5, is the story of the rich man and the poor man told by Nathan to King David (2 Sam. 12).
- (b) The format of both is the same; they both draw people in, and then reveals that the story is not about someone else but about them.

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8. **Answer:**

Answers may vary.

Summarized sample answer:

What has been invested must be utilized, maintained and produce to the glory of God.

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9. **Answer:**

- (a) When errors and vice go without check or control, the vineyard is un-pruned, then it will soon be overgrown with thorns.
- (b) Three Scriptural examples are:
 - (1) Samson (Judges 16:19-21)
 - (2) King Saul (1 Sam. 16:14)
 - (3) Israel (1 Sam. 4, NB Vv. 19-22; Acts 7:42)

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10. **Answer:**

- (a) instead (b) meekness (c) contempt (d) God (e) discontent (f) praying (g) praising

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11. **Answer:**

- (a) "Beloved" refers to God the Father
- (b) "Beloved" is also applicable to Jesus Christ

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12. **Answer:**

- (a) The "Husbandman" was the Owner (God) and He was the Caretaker of the vineyard.
- (b) The vineyard was Israel (Isa. 5:7) and they were to produce fruits.

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13. **Answer:**

- (a) God chose a very fertile hill, a hill that had the richest soil and sat high above the surrounding land.
- (b) God gave His very best for our salvation (John 3:16) ensuing eternal life (1 John 5:13) and all that comes with the salvation package (John 10:10; 1 Cor. 2:9)

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14. Answer:

- (a) He fenced it
- (b) He gathered out the stones
- (c) He planted the choicest vine in His vineyard
- (d) God built a watchtower to protect it
- (e) Finally, the Husbandman (the Lord) builds a wine press, expecting a harvest of fine gapes.

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15. Answer:

- (a) "Owner" ... God is the sole Owner.
- (b) "Separation" ... We are a separated people and distinction must be maintained
- (c) "Protection" ... God is our ultimate security (Psa. 27; 91; etc.)
- (d) "Boundaries" ... There are confinements, reminding us that we must stay within the white lines on our Pilgrimage.

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16. Answer:

- (a) It was necessary to remove the stones so nothing would obstruct the growth of the vines.
- (b) Spiritual application: Stones in the soil means a shallow heart (see Matt. 13:1-9, 18-30, NB Vv. 5-6 and 20-21).

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17. Answer:

- (a) The tower was built as an observation post.
- (b) This probably referred to the Temple which was significant in the life of the Israelites.
 - (1) The Temples which replaced the Tabernacle were the center of worship and national identity and ancient Israel.
 - (2) The Temple symbolized God's very own presence.

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18. Answer:

- (a) bless (b) hoard (c) blessings (d) idleness (e) fruitful

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19. Answer:

- Item (c) ... fruitful life God expects

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20. Answer:

Wild grapes speak of the fruit of corrupt nature. It refers to fruits that are contrary and inconsistent with those who are genuinely grafted in Jesus Christ

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21. Answer:

Wild grapes are hypocritical performances in religion that look like grapes, but are sour or bitter and are far from pleasing to God.

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22. Answer:

God challenged Israel to be the one to determine whose fault it is why they have produce bad fruits.

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23. Answer:

(a) The two questions asked in Isa. 5:4 are (1) "What more could be done to My vineyard that I have not done in it" (2) Why then, when I expected it to bring forth good grapes, did it bring forth wild grapes?

(b) In reality, God continues to appeal to His people; the questions were intended to show genuine consequences, revealing the people's worst.

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