

**TODAY'S  
SCRIPTURE  
FOCUS:  
ISAIAH  
58:1-14**

**"MEANING  
OF TRUE  
RELIGION"**

"If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his own tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless."

*James 1:26*

"Pure and undefiled religion before GOD and the FATHER is this: to visit orphans and widows...and to keep oneself unspotted..."

*James 1:27*

**SERMONIC POINTS:**

**#1: GOALS**

**#2: RESULTS**

**#3: CONDITIONS**

**SERMONIC  
POINT #1:  
GOALS  
OF TRUE  
RELIGION**

“Is this not the fast...:  
TO loose bonds...wickedness,  
TO undo the heavy burdens,  
TO let...oppressed go free,  
THAT...break every yoke?”  
*Isaiah 58:6*

“Is is not:  
TO share your bread  
with the hungry, and  
THAT...you bring to your  
house the poor  
who are cast out;”  
*Isaiah 58:7a*

**SERMONIC  
POINT #2:  
RESULTS  
OF TRUE  
RELIGION**

“THEN  
your light shall break forth  
like the morning,  
your healing shall spring  
forth speedily, and  
your righteousness shall go  
before you;” (*radiation*)  
*Isaiah 58:8a*

“(THEN)  
...the glory of THE LORD  
shall be your rear guard.”  
*(protection)*  
*Isaiah 58:8b*

“THEN  
...you shall call, and THE  
LORD will answer; ”  
*(reaction)*  
...YOU shall cry, and HE will  
say, ‘Here I am.’ ” ”  
*(location)*  
*Isaiah 58:9*

"THEN  
...your light shall dawn  
in the darkness  
AND your darkness  
shall be as the noonday."

(illumination)

***Isaiah 58:10b***

"(THEN) THE LORD will  
guide you continually,  
(direction)  
and satisfy your soul in  
drought and strengthen  
your bones;"

(satisfaction)

***Isaiah 58:11***

"(THEN) Those...among you  
...build the old waste places;  
...raise up the foundations...;  
and...called the Repairer of  
the Breach, the Restorer of  
Streets to Dwell In."

(foundation)

***Isaiah 58:12***

"THEN you shall delight  
yourself in THE LORD; and I  
will cause you to ride on the  
high hills of the earth, and  
feed you with the heritage  
of Jacob your father."

(elevation)

***Isaiah 58:14***

**SERMONIC PT.#3:  
CONDITION  
OF TRUE  
RELIGION**

"WHEN you see the naked,  
that you cover him, and  
NOT hide yourself from your  
own flesh?"

***Isaiah 58:7b***

"IF you extend your soul  
to the hungry  
AND satisfy the afflicted  
soul,"  
***Isaiah 58:10a***

"IF you turn away your foot  
from the Sabbath, from  
doing your pleasure on MY  
holy day,  
AND call the Sabbath a  
delight..."  
***Isaiah 58:13a***

"AND shall honor HIM, not  
doing your own ways,  
NOR finding your own  
pleasure,  
NOR speaking your own  
words,"  
***Isaiah 58:13b***

"CRY ALOUD...LIFT UP  
YOUR VOICE LIKE A  
TRUMPET; TELL MY  
PEOPLE..."  
***Isaiah 58:1***  
"THE MOUTH OF  
THE LORD HAS SPOKEN..."  
***Isaiah 58:14b***