

Isaiah 58:13 – 59:6, 20-21

An expansion on God's prohibition of collecting manna on the Sabbath:

Isaiah 58:13-14 - "If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it."

Defiling the Sabbath is sin, which separates us from God, as the first part of the next chapter explains:

Isaiah 59:2 - "your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you"

Isaiah 59:6-7 - "Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths."
(Paul quotes this passage in **Romans 3:15**)

The last verses point to the Messiah, who declared himself as the Bread that came down from heaven, and who would perfectly keep the Sabbath in the grave before his resurrection:

Isaiah 59:20-21 - "And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD. As for me, this is my covenant with them, saith the LORD; My spirit that is upon thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the LORD, from henceforth and for ever."