Anointed to Proclaim the Gospel of Glory (Isa. 60-62)

* 1. Jesus connected the timing of His return to preaching the gospel of the kingdom to all nations (Mt. 24:14). God’s answer to increasing lawlessness is the message of the gospel of the kingdom.

10And then many will be offended, will betray one another and hate one another…12And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold… 14And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations [ethnos], and then the end will come.   
(Mt. 24:10-14)

* 1. To “arise” is to take action and to engage with confidence with Jesus, His people, and His kingdom.

1“Arise, shine; for your light has come…2For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the Lord will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you. 5Then you shall see and become radiant, and your heart shall swell with joy… (Isa. 60:1-2,5)

* 1. God’s plan is to raise up anointed messengers in every sphere of society who proclaim the gospel.

1“The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me because the Lord has anointed Me to preach [the good news] to the poor; He sent Me…to proclaim liberty to the captives…7Instead of your shame you shall have double honor…11The Lord will cause righteousness…to spring forth before all the nations.”  
(Isa. 61:1-11)

* 1. The gospel is good news about the glory and beauty of a person—Jesus

17“Your eyes will see the King in His beauty.” (Isa. 33:17)

* 1. Before Jesus returns, the Spirit will raise up the greatest prayer movement in history (Isa. 62:6-7). The Holy Spirit will motivate people by revealing how much He delights in them.

2…You will be called by a new name…4You will be called, “My delight is in her…” 5Your God will rejoice over you…6I have appointed watchmen [intercessors]; all day and all night they will never keep silent…7until He establishes and makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.   
(Isa 62:2-7, NAS)