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# The Father Knows Best

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## Isaiah

The Saving Prophet

Isaiah 9-11:2

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# Isaiah—Revelation

We continue new study— (in 1-8)—9-10

- In our last study (Bible as Contract) we finished with a newly created Heavens and Earth as found in Rev 21:1. We made the observation that it mirrors the ending chapters of **Isaiah 65:17, 66:22** and **2 Peter 3:13** making **this event for the Kingdom not after 1000 yrs of it.**
- It has been noted that **Isaiah is the Apocalypse** (“destruction of the world”) of the Old Testament as **Revelation is the Apocalypse** of the New.
- My conclusion is that there is no “**new world**” beyond the 1000 year mark in the Kingdom—revealed in the Old Testament.
- Our intention is to investigate that hypothesis in our study of Isaiah, a Jewish book with Jewish promises—that ends on a Jewish note.
- **Our understanding is the New Testament does not deny any facts of the Old.**

# Isaiah 7-12 Section

- The next section of Isaiah's prophecies are chapters 7-12.
- We will not do all this in one week because there are three Messianic prophecies in this section.

**We did 7-8 Last time.**

- The 7-12 section, is largely an historical one of civil wars and later prophecies which are used as the background for three Messianic prophecies of hope (7, 8 and 9).
- So chapters 7-8 makes less contribution to our narrowly defined investigative purposes— that is to find the cycles of warnings—judgement to restoration.

# War in the Land

Reviewing

- Syria and Israel (north) conspire to upset the kingdom of Judah and install their puppet in Jerusalem.
- So low is the state of Israel that it joins a Gentile nation to destroy their brother (Judah) nation.

But they cannot. Why not?  
Now for details.



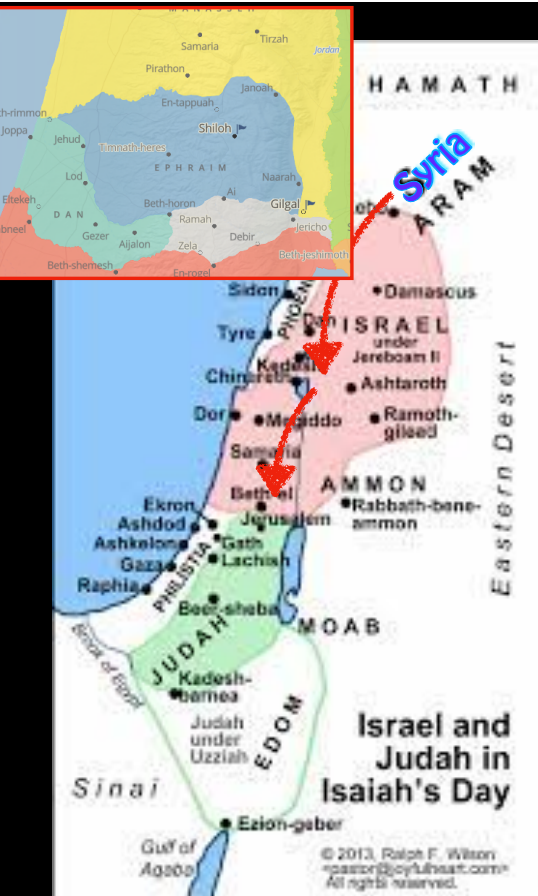
# War in the Land Isaiah 7:1



- The sides;
  - 1a. Syrian King Rezin king of Aram,
  - 1b. Israel King Pekah son of Remaliah
  - 2a. Judah King 3. Ahaz, (732-716) —son of 2. Jotham, son of 1. Uzziah. (Note: Ahaz not a good king)

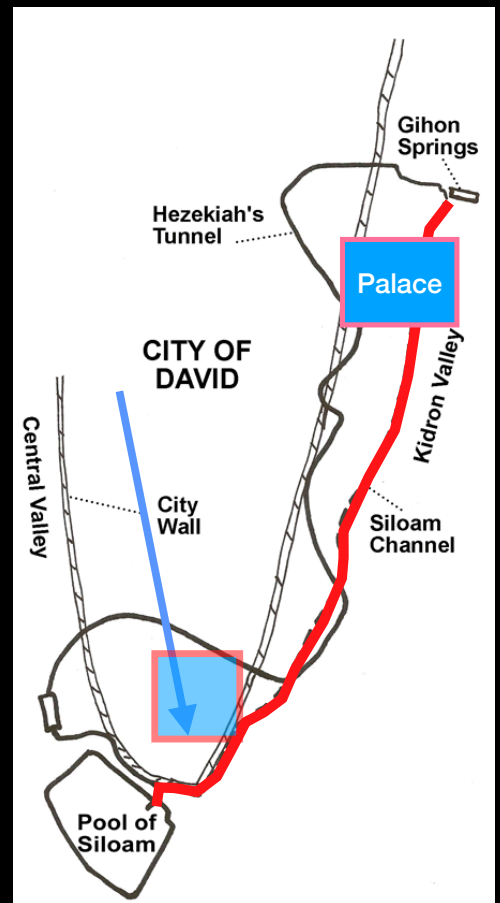
# Isaiah 7:2

- The **Syrians** are camped in Israel's territory of **Ephraim** north of Jerusalem.
- The people of **Judah** are traumatized by the prospect of war instigated by their brother nation.
- Civil wars can be intense and highly destructive—exhibit our own civil war in 1861-65.



# Isaiah 7:3

- Isaiah's task is to deliver a message of hope to Judah king Ahaz.
- He is to take his son Shear-Jashub and meet the king at a known spot—
  - 1) at the end of the conduit of the upper pool,
  - 2) on highway (street) to fullers field.



# Setting the Record Straight

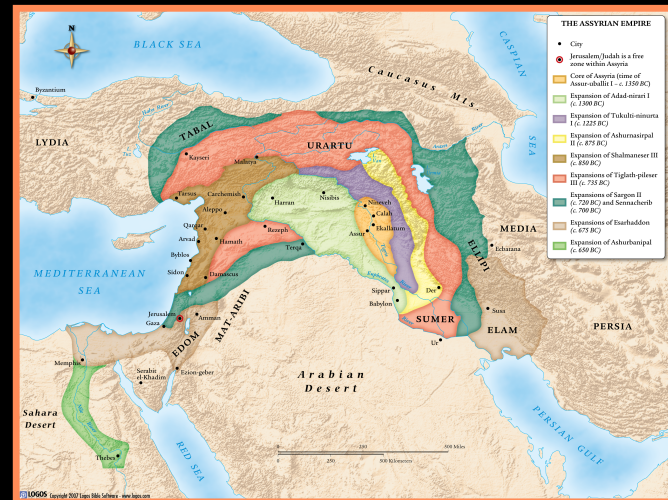
- Isaiah delivers the “virgin born son” sign, the 1<sup>st</sup> prophecy—a virgin will conceive.
- This was an unexpected event but not impossible, therefore that sign was not for Ahaz.
- The sign of an impossible event will be given the virgin birth of Jesus. Matthew uses this text to claim the sign.
- Isaiah warns not to ally with Assyria (to counter the Resin-Pekah attacks)—rather depend on God for defense.

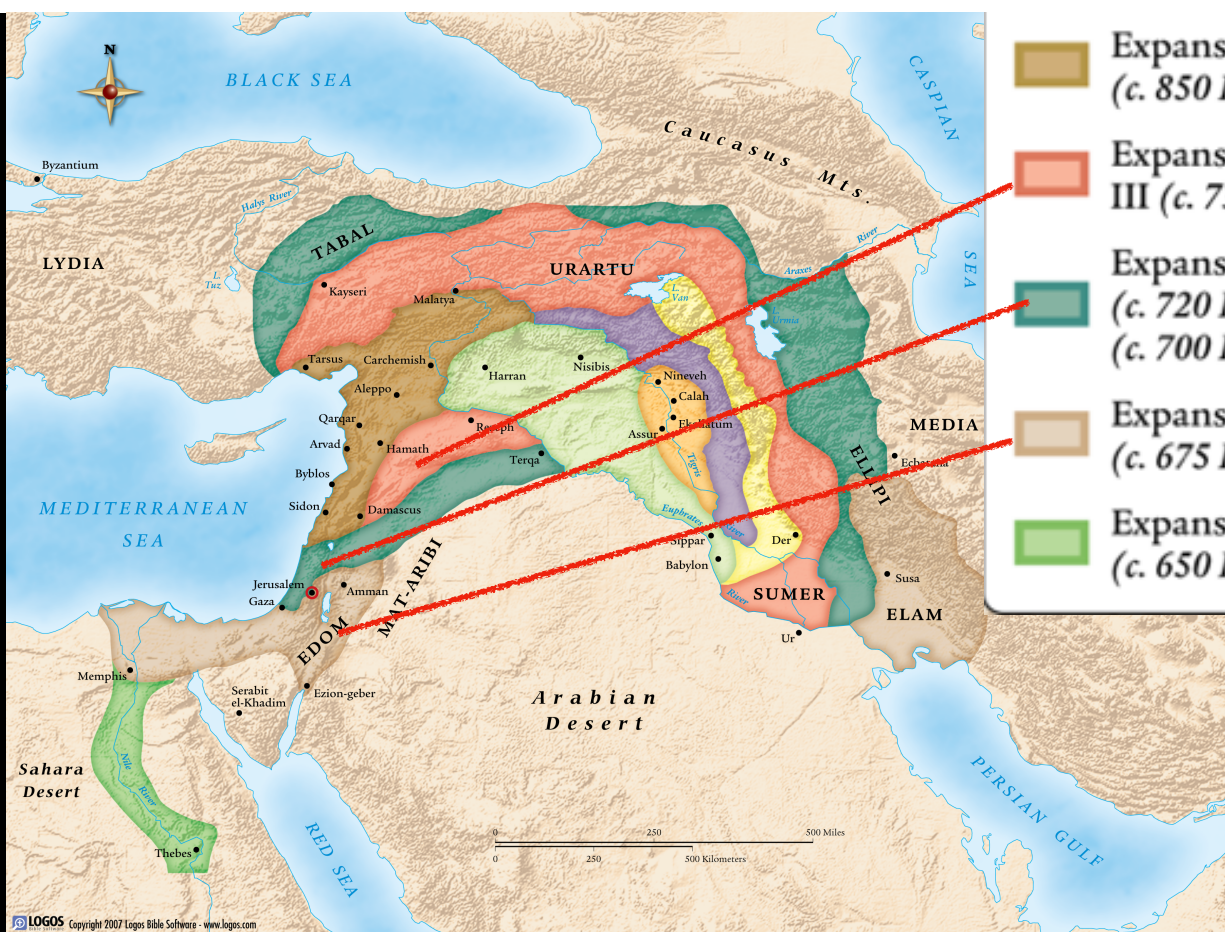
# Setting the Record Straight

- Isaiah gives the 2<sup>nd</sup> sign (734), that the new son (of the former virgin) will act as a clock. By the time the child talks knows right from wrong, the **fire brands** (Syria/Resin and Ephraim/Pekah) **will be extinguished**.
- Ahaz (Judah) rightly refuses and the two state alliance—is then attacked (73?).
- None-the-less, for Judah 120k are killed by Resin and Pekah but Jerusalem stands.
- In the mean time **Ahaz appeals to Assyria for help**, gets it, but pays heavy tribute to Assyria (Tiglath-Pileser III).

# Assyria Plunders the Nations Around Judah






- Assyria (Tiglath-Pileser+others) plunders kingdoms all the way to the Egyptian border making Ammon, Edom, Moab pay tribute.
- 732 BC, the Assyrians plunder Damascus (Syria) and kill (firebrand #1 Rezin) plunders much of Transjordan and Galilee and also firebrand #2 Pekah of Israel two years after prophecy, well within the time markers given.





# Assyria Plunders the Nations Around Judah

- **Assyrian Tiglath-Pileser also dies 727**, next is
- **Shalmaneser V (727-722) and is succeeded by Sargon II 722-705—**
- **Shalmaneser V (r. 727–722 BC) 722, subjugates Samaria begins a 65 year plan of deportation and repopulation.**
- **Thus in 721 the northern kingdom of Israel ceases to exist.**

	Expansion of Shalmaneser III (c. 850 BC)
	Expansions of Tiglath-pileser III (c. 735 BC)
	Expansions of Sargon II (c. 720 BC) and Sennacherib (c. 700 BC)
	Expansions of Esarhaddon (c. 675 BC)
	Expansion of Ashurbanipal (c. 650 BC)

# Sign #2 is Realized

- The sign given in 734
- The sign completed in 732, the child will not say mamma or daddy before the fire brands are snuffed, the kings die, the nation will not collapse.



# **Isaiah 9-12 Section**

## **Prophetic Section**

# The Next Section 9-12

- With the message and reality of doom and gloom for Judah, the Lord in His grace holds out hope for the Nation (if not the individuals).
- Key note: We must remember that the promises of deliverance are national and **personal only if saving faith lives in the individual.**
- Many, yes most Israelites will die without realizing the promises made them as a Nation.
- They personally did not “join in,” their national promises by the “mixing in of faith.”

# Hebrews 4:2

- Jews personally do not benefit from national promises because of they lack personal faith.
  - A national promise will not get them salvation or eternal hope.
- Heb. 4:2—“For indeed we (we believing Jews) have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united (compounded, mix in) by faith in those who heard.
- This distinction must be honored for the Bible to make sense of the idea of spiritual “children of Abraham.”

# **Jews and Gentile Saved by Faith**

- **The Covenantalist want to remove the blessings of a national promise (i.e. future salvations of individuals) and make it only about personal faith —Gentiles can have the faith like Abraham, thus they would want to nullify all national promises.**

# Addressing Personal Faith

- Romans 4:16 For this reason it is by faith, in order that it may be in accordance with grace, so that the promise will be guaranteed to all the (Jewish) descendants, not only to those who are of the Law, (ie Jews) but also to those who (Gentiles) are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, (spiritual children, Jew and Gentile).

# **National Promises Remain for the Future Jews**

**Personal participation in the future is conditioned on saving faith.**

# The Tragedy of Lost Opportunity

- We have **belabored** this point because the next section of hope **WILL NOT APPLY TO ANY UNBELIEVING JEWS**—that is the unbelieving Judah (Israel).
- As we said, the “**word they heard did not profit them**, because it was not united (compounded, mix in) with faith”

# Northern Territory

- Isaiah 9:1 But there will be **no more gloom** for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of **Zebulun** and the land of **Naphtali** with contempt, but later on He shall **make it glorious**, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles.



# Via Maris at Capernaum

- “but later on He shall make it glorious,
- **By the way of the sea,** on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles.



# Gentile Infringements

- but later on He shall make it glorious,
- By the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles.



# Dark turns Light

- Isaiah 9:2 The people who walk in darkness Will see a great light; Those who live in a dark land, The light will shine on them.



# Jesus Ministered Here!

- This section turns to the coming Messianic Promises made to David 2 Sam 7.
- In coming verses the Personage will be developed in some detail.
- With our advance knowledge we are struck by this territory—it is where Jesus spent 80%, of his ministry.



# The Land Where the Light Came



# 2011 Israel





## The Shift to Jesus

### The ministry of John the Baptist is over.

- Matthew 4:12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee; 4:13 and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. 4:14 This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: 4:15 “The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— 4:16 “The people who were sitting in darkness saw a great Light, And those who were sitting in the land and shadow of death, Upon them a Light dawned.” 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”
- Close to Gentile territory. Also think of the Gentile Church, the congregation of Jesus at Caesarea Philippi—heading for Jerusalem his ministry concluded there.

# Messianic Hope

- Isaiah 9:3 You shall multiply the nation, You shall increase their gladness; They will be glad in Your presence As with the gladness of harvest, As men rejoice when they divide the spoil.
- Isaiah 9:4 For You shall break the yoke of their burden and the staff on their shoulders, The rod of their oppressor, as at the battle of Midian. (Gideon Judges 7, 400 yrs ago!)
- Isaiah 9:5 For every boot of the booted warrior in the battle tumult, And cloak rolled in blood, will be for burning, fuel for the fire. (Ezek 39:7f)

This prophecy may be a statement of the end of all of Israel's enemies. We have seen from the coming of the nation 1948 Israel has won its engagements handily. The "Gog" War may just be an example of what happens when the fortunes of God return to Israel.

# Who Will Carry Out This Hope?

- Isaiah 9:6 For a **child** will be born to us, a **son** will be given to us; And the **government** will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.
- Isaiah 9:7 There will be no end to the increase of His **government** or of peace, **On the throne of David and over his kingdom**, To establish it and to uphold it with **justice** and **righteousness** From then on and forevermore.
- The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.

## **Eternal Kingdom**

### **In the context of the unrighteous**

- We have made the case that the first 1000 years of the eternal Kingdom on the regenerated earth will partly be given to the supposedly “righteous” to demonstrate their righteousness.
- Man has not been righteous until now—but there always has been reasons for Man to claim victimhood and thus unrighteous.
- To ensure that righteousness will be maintained the Messiah will rule in justice and righteousness as promised in this verse.
- There is no need for “righteous rule” in a Kingdom that has only righteous members.

**But the Present is Bleak**

**There is bleakness in their future as well**

# Conditions for Optimism Fails

- Isaiah 9:9 And all the people know it, That is, Ephraim and the inhabitants of Samaria, Asserting in pride and in arrogance of heart:
- Isaiah 9:10 “The bricks have fallen down, But we will rebuild with smooth stones; The sycamores have been cut down, But we will replace them with cedars.”
- Isaiah 9:11 Therefore the Lord raises against them adversaries from Rezin And spurs their enemies on,
- Isaiah 9:12 The Arameans on the east and the Philistines on the west; And they devour Israel with gaping jaws. In spite of all this, (Certainty of judgment) His anger does not turn away And His hand is still stretched out.

# Conditions for Optimism Fails

- Isaiah 9:13 Yet the people do not turn back to Him who struck them, Nor do they seek the Lord of hosts.
- Isaiah 9:14 So the Lord cuts off head and tail from Israel, Both palm branch and bulrush in a single day.
- Isaiah 9:15 The head is the elder and honorable man, And the prophet who teaches falsehood is the tail.
- Isaiah 9:16 For those who guide this people are leading them astray; And those who are guided by them are brought to confusion.
- Isaiah 9:17 Therefore the Lord does not take pleasure in their young men, Nor does He have pity on their orphans or their widows; For every one of them is godless and an evildoer, And every mouth is speaking foolishness. In spite of all this, His anger does not turn away And His hand is still stretched out.

# Near Fulfillments?

- **Isaiah 9:18** For wickedness burns like a fire; It consumes briars and thorns; It even sets the thickets of the forest aflame And they roll upward in a column of smoke.
- **Isaiah 9:19** By the fury of the Lord of hosts the land is burned up, And the people are like fuel for the fire; No man spares his brother.
- **Isaiah 9:20** They slice off what is on the right hand but still are hungry, And they eat what is on the left hand but they are not satisfied; Each of them eats the flesh of his own arm.
- **Isaiah 9:21** Manasseh devours Ephraim, and Ephraim Manasseh, And together they are against Judah. In spite of all this, **His anger does not turn away And His hand is still stretched out.**

# Near Fulfillments?

- Isaiah 10:1 Woe to those who enact evil statutes And to those who constantly record unjust decisions,
- Isaiah 10:2 So as to deprive the needy of justice And rob the poor of My people of their rights, So that widows may be their spoil And that they may plunder the orphans.
- Isaiah 10:3 Now what will you do in the day of punishment, And in the devastation which will come from afar? To whom will you flee for help? And where will you leave your wealth?
- Isaiah 10:4 Nothing remains but to crouch among the captives Or fall among the slain. In spite of all this, His anger does not turn away And His hand is still stretched out.
- 10:4-

# Isaiah 10:5-19

- **BKC:** “Assyria’s fulfilling of God’s will (10:5–11). Isaiah described Assyria’s mission (vv. 5–6) and her motives (vv. 7–11). 10:5–6. God had commissioned Assyria to chasten Israel as the rod of His anger and the club of His wrath.
- “Because Israel was godless and had angered God with her sin, Assyria would plunder her cities and ruthlessly trample her people. God often uses unlikely instruments to accomplish His purposes in the world (cf. His using Babylon against Judah, which puzzled Habakkuk, Hab. 1:6–17).
- “Isaiah was not claiming that Assyria was godly or that the empire even knew that God was using it to do His bidding. In His sovereignty He directed Assyria to be His tool for vengeance.”

# Far Fulfillments

- Isaiah 10:20 Now in that day the remnant of Israel, and those of the house of Jacob who have escaped, will never again rely on the one who struck them, but will truly rely on the Lord, the Holy One of Israel.
- Isaiah 10:21 A remnant will return, the remnant of Jacob, to the mighty God.
- Isaiah 10:22 For though your people, O Israel, may be like the sand of the sea, Only a remnant within them will return; A destruction is determined, overflowing with righteousness.
- Skip—10:23-32

# **The Picture of Tall Trees and Branches**

**Isaiah 10:33-34**

- **Isaiah 10:32** Yet today he (Assyria) will halt at Nob; He shakes his fist at the mountain of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.
- **Isaiah 10:33** Behold, the Lord, the God of hosts, will lop off the boughs with a terrible crash; Those also who are tall in stature will be cut down And those who are lofty will be abased.
- **Isaiah 10:34** He will cut down the thickets of the forest with an iron axe, And Lebanon will fall by the Mighty One.

# A Shoot from an Old Tree



- Isaiah 11:1 Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit.
- Isaiah 11:2 The Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

# Ending Here at Isaiah 11:3

We come upon the *Eternal Kingdom* section next