THE SIGN OF IMMANUEL

Isaiah 7:1–8:22

Key Verse: 7:14

1. What was the political situation of Judah as this passage opens? (7:1) How did Ahaz and his people respond, and what was wrong with this? (2)
2. What did the Lord tell Isaiah to go and do, and with whom? (3) How did he counsel Ahaz? (4) What did he know about the plot of Aram and Israel? (5,6) What did the Lord predict about these two nations? (7–9) What does it mean to “stand firm in your faith”?
3. What else did God say to Ahaz to help him? (10,11) How did Ahaz respond? (12) What plan had he already made? (2Ki16:7–9) What can we learn from this?
4. How did Isaiah rebuke King Ahaz? (13) Read verse 14. What about this made it a “sign”? What does the name “Immanuel” mean? How else does Isaiah refer to this name? (8:8,10; 9:6) What was its ultimate fulfillment? (Mt1:23) Why is it so important to believe that God is with us?
5. What did God predict about Ahaz’ enemies? (15,16) About his current ally, Assyria? (17–25) What should we learn from this?
6. What did Isaiah name his new son, and why? (8:1–4) What did God tell Isaiah? (5–10) How did God want him to be different from “this people”? (11–13)
7. What does it mean that God is a “holy place”? (14,15) What should Isaiah and we do? (16–18) When in trouble, why should we inquire of God, and what is the alternative? (19–25)