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a century that followed before the exile actually took place, and in the earlier days yet, it would have been a tremendous impact, and then over here in the region of Persia ~~am~~ - a man ^{became king} by the name of Cyrus whom Isaiah predicted even by name. He became king, and then after a few years he conquered the kingdom of Medes right next to the kingdom of Persia... Then he ~~conquered~~ - ~~ena~~ conquered all the regions of the north of Babylon, and then provinces of Asia Minor... - t - yhi - -, he took all these tiny kingdoms first ... the Babylon is a tremendous power. Before he took Babylonian kingdom, he had taken all other small kingdoms first. You see, he will do it, because it was predicted by Isaiah... Isaiah is here definitely predicting... (9.25)

the tremendous power ... with the tremendous assurance, and then when he saw it actually take place, and they were ~~set~~ back to Palestine, they said, this is marvellous fulfillment of what Isaiah has prophesied before 150 ago... certainly we can know that God spoke through Isaiah. We can know that this God we can trust, and His word. ~~And that would be~~ And this chapter.

that would be enough to be a great purpose of writing the book of Isaiah. But the marvellous thing is that ... / that is not the primary

purpose of writing this chapter. In this chapter we find the great principle of progressive revelation. That is to say, God started with a simple...

and He is gradually unfolding ... the understanding... that God wants them to know. God start here with the people who are terribly upset because

their lands has been conquered ... the people in Isaiah's day would go forward to the land after the exile... After all, when they are brought back from exile, Important as it is, there is something more important than that. God delivered them from exile, and that is all, How about the other exile?