

Survey of Isa. 7-12, 28-35

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house of Nisrach his god, that A. and S. his sons smote him with a sword, and they escaped into the land of Armeania, and Essarhaddon his son reigned in his stead. Now this we know happened about 20 yrs. later. So the Bible is simply showing Sennacherib failed to conquer Jerus., and in the end he was killed by his own sons. But you just read it without any evidence elsewhere, you could guess: he went home and he was immediately killed. Well that's not the case. There was 20 yrs. in between. It doesn't say he was immed. killed. It says, he went home and there he was killed by his sons. Of course we know from the Assyrian records ~~that~~ about how much time intervened in between. But two events made a gtt. impression on the people, the second more than the first. But the first was very imprt. in the dealings of God with the people, and so Isa. refers to it very frequently in ch. 7-12 and in ch. 28-32. He frequently ~~f~~ refers to this, but he doesn't explain this. If you didn't have Kings and Chron. you would read these words ~~and~~ in Isa. and you might not fully understand them without having this background in mind. And the grt. deliverance that is described here is predicted by Isa. in both of these places, but ~~if~~ you wouldn't altogether understand it if you didn't know the historical situation. So understanding these passages I think it is very imp. to have these two imp. aspects of background in mind.

Now we will take about a 15 min. break. Please come back by 10:02, and then we will look at Isa. 7-12, then we will take the coffee break for half an hr. and then we'll look at ch. 28 - 35.

..... Which I have called a new king - Isa. 7-12. You will notice I called the third A New Nation. They overlap. The message is somewhat different but closely related. ~~These~~ These two passages are both derived from the same historical background, but dealing with a diff. part of the people of Judah. So we are looking now at Isa. 7-12 and in these chapters, the ch. divisions are not particularly well made. I believe when we come to ch. 28-35 we will find they were excellently made. The chapter divisions, I think as most of you know were not original in the Bible. The vs. divisions were