

I called my son out of Egypt. I am inclined to think that in that case he is pointing back to his love of Israel in the past and forward to the basis on which salvation for all is based. But it is a difficult problem but it's (10 3/4)

Well, maybe ~~we~~ should go to the Hebrew now, then, unless you have something further to suggest that you come across in your reading that would be helpful. (11) As I understand it, you have, oh, I see, you mean you're thinking of the Syro-Ephraimitic invasion, making it impossible to cultivate the land. Therefore, because of the Syro-Ephraimitic invasion, this child would have to eat these things, until within two or three years, when the land was forsaken of both its kings, then the (stu) Yes, but you don't get the curds and the honey, at least not the curds, directly, from the spontaneous growth, you have to send the cattle out ^{to get} the -- so it would not impress me that you would have a great supply of them in time of need, it would be more in time of desolation, after the enemy was gone, but when the population was captured, there weren't enough to cultivate the land. But the way I've always taken it was depopulation, because of the great number taken ~~away~~ into captivity. (stu) This is the Assyrian taking away multitudes from the north but also sweeping on into Judah, this Ahaz didn't think he'd do. Ahaz thought Judah is perfectly safe, they won't want that. He says they're going to sweep on into Judah, and also injure Judah, so that Judah will be depopulated at some time, not like in the exile. (stu) Yes, you have-- he predicts very clearly here in these two passages, and Moulton makes it that in chapter 7, v.17, he is looking to the north and talking to the northern kingdom and telling what is going to happen in the northern kingdom, but it doesn't seem to me quite a satisfactory interpretation, it seems to me he is looking at the situation in the southern kingdom. Now it could be worked out that it's the northern kingdom, maybe it could be, maybe verses 17 ff. could point to quite an extent to the condition as a result of Sennacherib's invasion and carrying off great numbers of people into captivity, and verses 15 and 16 could describe the condition of northern depopulation which comes immediately and