

Isaiah: Behold Your God!

**The Assyrian Invasion and the LORD'S Deliverance
Lesson 3
Isaiah 9:8-12:6**

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Isaiah - Biblical Context

- ▶ God's Promise to Abraham – a great nation (Gen 12:1-3)
- ▶ A most favored nation (Romans 9:4-6)
- ▶ An unfulfilled Promise
- ▶ The Promised Nation about to go into extinction
- ▶ The cause: they despised and turned away from the Holy One of Israel (1:4)
- ▶ The most favored nation becomes like Sodom and Gomorrah (1:10; 3:9)
- ▶ “Listen, O heavens, and hear, O earth.” (1:2) – a universal message

Isaiah's Message

- ▶ “Behold your God!” – Psalm 113:5-9
- ▶ “The just shall live by faith” – Isaiah 12:2; 50:10
- ▶ A very specific revelation of the great nation
 - ▶ A kingdom of righteousness and peace
 - ▶ A kingdom with the Son of David on the throne
 - ▶ A kingdom ruled from Jerusalem (Mount Zion)

Isaiah's Call (6)

- ▶ A sinner in the presence of the Holy God
- ▶ Not destroyed, but forgiven
- ▶ “The whole earth is full of His glory.” – hidden glory
- ▶ Isaiah is to take a hidden message to Judah and Jerusalem

Book 1 of Isaiah

I. Book of Condemnation (1-39)

A. The LORD Speaks to Isaiah (1-5)

B. Isaiah is Called and Sent (6)

C. The Coming Assyrian Invasion (7-12)

1. The invasion of Israel by Assyria (7:1-10:4)

2. The destruction of Assyria by God (10:5-12:6)

1. A message against Jacob (9:8-10:4)

2. A message against Assyria (10:5-19)

3. The preservation of the remnant of Israel (10:20-34)

4. The Root from the stem of Jesse (11)

5. A song of thanksgiving for salvation (12)

The Assyrian Invasion (7:1-9:7)

- ▶ The conspiracy (Aram and Israel) and the fear of Ahaz (7:1-9)
- ▶ It will not happen
- ▶ Ahaz must believe or he will not last (7:9)
- ▶ The object of faith – the virgin born child, Immanuel (7:10-16)
- ▶ The devastating invasion by Assyria – Jerusalem protected (7:17-8:8)
- ▶ The hope of the faithful – God is with us; fear of God; the Word of God (8:9-22)
- ▶ The great light in Galilee – the Child-King (9:1-7)

The Assyrian Invasion (9:8-10:4)

- ▶ 4-part message against Jacob – both houses of Israel
- ▶ “In all this, His anger has not turned away, and His hand is still raised to strike.” CSB
 - ▶ Pride and arrogance of heart (9:8-12)
 - ▶ They do not return to the LORD (9:13-17)
 - ▶ Rampant wickedness (9:18-21)
 - ▶ No justice (10:1-4)
- ▶ “In all this, His anger has not turned away, and His hand is still raised to strike.” CSB

The LORD'S Deliverance (10:5-19)

- ▶ A message against Assyria (10:5-19)
 - ▶ The rod of His anger – against a godless nation (10:5-6)
 - ▶ Assyria's evil intent of heart – not trample but destroy (10:7)
 - ▶ The arrogance of Assyria (10:8-14)
 - ▶ The light of Israel will become a fire (10:15-19)

The LORD'S Deliverance (10:20-34)

- ▶ The remnant of the house of Jacob
 - ▶ “In that day . . .” – the end of the age (10:20)
 - ▶ A return from destruction in faith and faithfulness (10:20-23)
 - ▶ Back to the present – “Do not fear the Assyrians” (10:24-27)
 - ▶ The coming invasion by Assyria (10:28-32)
 - ▶ Termination of Assyria by the LORD God of hosts (10:33-34)

The LORD'S Deliverance (11)

- ▶ “In that day. . .”
 - ▶ The shoot from the stem of Jesse (11:1)
 - ▶ The Spirit of the LORD will rest upon Him (11:2)
 - ▶ Righteous judgment in the fear of the LORD (11:3-5)
 - ▶ A kingdom of peace in all creation (11:6-10)
 - ▶ The remnant gathered the 2nd time(11:11-12)
 - ▶ Ephraim and Judah united (11:13)
 - ▶ A military victory by the LORD and Israel (11:14-16)
 - ▶ The Millennial Reign of Christ

The LORD'S Deliverance (12)

- ▶ “On that day . . .”
 - ▶ Thanksgiving to the LORD for salvation
 - ▶ Salvation in God
 - ▶ Praise to the LORD for His excellent ways
 - ▶ “Great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

The Assyrian Invasion and the LORD'S Deliverance

- ▶ The Promise of God on the verge of termination
- ▶ Most favored nation descended to level of Sodom and Gomorrah
- ▶ “In wrath remember mercy.” (Habakkuk 3:2)
- ▶ The power and faithfulness of God
- ▶ A message to all generations (Numbers 23:19)