

DISCIPLE'S QUEST

If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.

John 8:31



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The Sign

Isaiah 7:1-14

Main Idea:

God announced through the prophet Isaiah the coming of Jesus into the world over seven centuries before His incarnation. “The Lord himself will give you a sign,” Isaiah told the wicked King Ahaz, “a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.”

Outline:

1) The Peril

2) The Promise

3) The Put-off

4) The Prophecy

Takeaways:

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#3

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

- #1 Ahaz rejected God's word, delivered through Isaiah, and chose instead to trust in His own wisdom and to make (buy) an alliance with the pagan king of Assyria (2 Kings 16:7-10). Although this seemingly worked out well for him in the short term, as the Assyrians defeated Ahaz's enemies, His rejection of the Lord ultimately proved spiritually disastrous. Read 2 Kings 16:10-18 and explain where Ahaz's choice to trust in His own wisdom instead of trusting in God's word led Him.

- #2 According to Psalm 19:2-11, why should we keep the Lord's word?

- #3 How does the virgin birth of Jesus prove that He is God in human flesh?

- #4 Is the virgin birth essential to the Christian faith? Why?

- #5 Can a person reject the virgin birth and be saved? Why not?

- #6 Are the many Old Testament prophecies that find their fulfillment in Jesus with striking precision a compelling reason to believe and receive Him as Savior and Lord? Why?