



Reflection Questions

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Glory of the Incarnation – The Promise
Isaiah 7:14

Humanity is in constant pursuit of glory, but the glories we seek in this world always lose their luster and leave us empty. Through the prophecy in Isaiah 7:14, we discover that the ultimate glory our souls truly long for is Immanuel - God with us.

Reflection Questions:

1. In what ways do we, like King Ahaz, seek security and fulfillment in worldly alliances rather than trusting in God's promises and sovereignty?
2. How can something like the continual evolution of video game consoles illustrate the temporary nature of worldly glories, and what current pursuits in your life might be similarly fleeting?
3. What does it mean that Jesus is Immanuel, God with us, and how should this reality transform our daily lives and priorities?
4. Isaiah told Ahaz that if he was not firm in faith, he would not be firm at all. How does this principle apply to the areas where you are struggling or feeling weak today?
5. Why do you think King Ahaz refused God's offer to provide any sign he wanted, and what forms of empty piety or religiosity might we display when we lack true faith?
6. How does understanding Christ's preeminence, as described in Colossians 1:15-20, change the way we view our problems, needs, and the things we think we lack?
7. Salvation often comes upon seeing the glory of the incarnation after being emptied of all delusions. What might need to be emptied from your life for you to truly see Christ's glory?
8. How can we ensure that our Christmas decorations, traditions, and celebrations point to Christ rather than becoming competing glories that distract us from Immanuel?