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**Title:** “Waiting for a Present God”

**Series:** Waiting Again

**Primary Scripture:** Isaiah 7:10-17 (ESV)

\_\_\_\_\_ are you, God?

**Isaiah 7:10-17 (ESV)** 10 Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz: 11 “Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.” 12 But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test.” 13 And he said, “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? 14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. 15 He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. 16 For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. 17 The Lord will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father’s house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria!”

**Isaiah 7:4-9 (ESV)** 4 And say to him, ‘Be careful, be quiet, do not fear, and do not let your heart be faint because of these two smoldering stumps of firebrands, at the fierce anger of Rezin and Syria and the son of Remaliah. 5 Because Syria, with Ephraim and the son of Remaliah, has devised evil against you, saying, 6 “Let us go up against Judah and terrify it, and let us conquer it for ourselves, and set up the son of Tabeel as king in the midst of it,” 7 thus says the Lord God:

“‘It shall not stand,  
and it shall not come to pass.  
8 For the head of Syria is Damascus,  
and the head of Damascus is Rezin.  
And within sixty-five years  
Ephraim will be shattered from being a people.  
9 And the head of Ephraim is Samaria,  
and the head of Samaria is the son of Remaliah.  
If you are not firm in faith,  
you will not be firm at all.’

**Isaiah 7:10-11 (ESV)** 10 Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz: 11 “Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.”

**Isaiah 7:12 (ESV)** *12 But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test.”*

**2 Kings 16:7-8 (ESV)** *7 So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, “I am your servant and your son. Come up and rescue me from the hand of the king of Syria and from the hand of the king of Israel, who are attacking me.” 8 Ahaz also took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the Lord and in the treasures of the king’s house and sent a present to the king of Assyria.*

**Isaiah 7:13 (ESV)** *13 And he said, “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also?”*

**Isaiah 7:14 (ESV)** *14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.*

**Isaiah 41:10 (ESV)** *10 fear not, for I am with you;  
be not dismayed, for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you, I will help you,  
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

**Matthew 1:20-23 (ESV)** *20 But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” 22 All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:*

*23 “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel”*

**Matthew 1:21 (ESV)** *21 She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”*

God is \_\_\_\_\_ and He brings \_\_\_\_\_ so \_\_\_\_\_ on Him!

**You won't \_\_\_\_\_ God is with you when you \_\_\_\_\_ from Him.**

**Gavin Ortland - Religion: *"I messed up. Dad's gonna kill me."***

**Gospel: *"I messed up. I need to call Dad."***

**God is present and He brings life, so wait on Him!**