

October 8, 2026

Series: "Isaiah: Hope for Troubled Times"

Who Do You Trust?

Isaiah 7-8 – Tom Lawrence

Review

- Isaiah warns of coming judgment & future restoration in chapters 2-5, and Isaiah receives his commission from God in chapter 6.

Overview

- I. Decision Time (7:1-9)**
- II. Divine Sign (7:10-17)**
- III. Day of Destruction (7:18-25)**
- IV. Destined for Darkness (8:1-2-8)**

I. Decision Time (7:1-9)

- Syro-Ephraimite War (735/734 BC)
- Isaiah brings son Shear-Jashub ('a remnant shall return') to meet Ahaz
- Be careful, be calm, and don't be afraid
- The kings of Aram and Ephraim (Israel) plot against Ahaz
- God's answer: "It will not happen" — stand firm!

Principle 1: God expects our actions to arise from faith _____, not political or military powers

II. Divine Sign (7:10-17) (733 BC)

- God commands Ahaz to pick any sign
- God provides the sign: a son will be born and named Immanuel
- The land of the two enemy kings will soon be laid waste
- Jesus is the ultimate fulfillment of Is 7:14

Principle 2: God preserves His Word for the time when people will _____ and _____ from it

III. Day of Destruction (7:18-25)

- God uses Assyria to provide a 'close shave'
- Vast judgment, small remnant
- Valuable vineyards become briers and thorns

Principle 3: God uses unbelievers to discipline His people

IV. Destined for Darkness (8:1-22)

- Two witnesses: Uriah and Zechariah
- The prophet's poster: "quick to the plunder, swift to the spoil"
- Mediums condemned
- Fear **God**: He is either our cornerstone, or a tripping stone

Principle 4: God is our refuge, especially in the midst of our battles

For Next Week: Read Isaiah 11

Suggested Resources

- 1) The Dead Sea Scrolls – great 10 min. video - www.youtube.com/watch?v=CpfTsFo1g4o
- 2) Behold Israel Update on Oct. 7 – www.youtube.com/live/hRStz2hGSrw
- 3) Kings of Judah and Israel, see 2 Kings 15-19 and 2 Chronicles 26-28
- 4) SteveMillerResources.com; Follow Steve on the Foreshadows Report Podcast (Telegram app)
- 5) Follow Amir Tsarfati at Behold Israel; Follow him on Telegram; Prophecy Updates
- 6) An Evening of Prophecy with Jeff Kinley - <https://jeffkinley.com> – Sunday, Oct. 25 @ 6:00-8:00 PM