

## A SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT:

### Isaiah

#### *"The Coming Messiah"*

#### **Title: Isaiah**

- The name of the author
- Hebrew name means, "The LORD is \_\_\_\_\_."
- The meaning of "Isaiah" is similar to the meanings of "Joshua," "Elisha," and "Jesus."
- The book of Isaiah is quoted \_\_\_\_\_ times in the New Testament (more than any other writing prophet).

Summary: The prophet Isaiah, while acting as God's mouthpiece to Judah's kings, provides a highly detailed foretelling of the Messiah.

#### **Author: \_\_\_\_\_**

- Son of \_\_\_\_\_
- Ministered in the area of Jerusalem during the reign of four of Judah's kings (739-686 BC).
- Because he had easy access to the king (7:3), some have theorized he might have been from a \_\_\_\_\_ family.
- We know he had at least two sons because their symbolic names are recorded in his book.
  - Shearjashub – "A remnant shall return"
  - Mahershalalhashbaz – "Hasting to the spoil, hurrying to the prey"
- Isaiah was contemporary with some other writing prophets including \_\_\_\_\_ and Micah.
- His brilliant writing style indicates that he had a good education.
  - 2,186 different words in Isaiah
  - Wrote a biography of Hezekiah (2 Chron. 32:32)
- Isaiah is mentioned by name more than 20x in the New Testament, lending great authority to his role as a prophet.

#### **Date:**

- Isaiah had a ministry of roughly \_\_\_\_\_ years spanning the reigns of 4 kings in Judah.
- The proposed time frame for Isaiah's life and ministry is 739-686 BC.

#### **Setting**

- Most of the book is set in Judah and specifically in \_\_\_\_\_.
- Isaiah's ministry was focused on Judah's kings.
- But he also made prophecies about the surrounding nations.

#### **Key People:**

- Isaiah

- Uzziah
- Jotham
- Ahaz
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Sennacherib

### **Challenges in Isaiah**

- Israel has not been replaced by the \_\_\_\_\_:
  - Covenant Theology says that the church is the new Israel.
  - But Isaiah clearly prophesies the restoration of Israel as a nation with the Messiah as her \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Prophecies like this are meaningless if you replace the physical nation of Israel with the spiritual body of the church.
- Prophetic \_\_\_\_\_
  - Caused when a prophet did not specify the length of time between two events or described both in the same prophecy.
  - Isaiah did not clarify the time between the Messiah's first and second comings.
  - Neither did he clarify the time between the Messiah's earthly, millennial kingdom and His eternal kingdom.
  - These distinctions became obvious through \_\_\_\_\_ revelation and the New Testament.

### **Key Doctrines:**

- The coming of the Messiah as the \_\_\_\_\_ for sins (53).
  - Will be a bloody sacrifice to heal us (v 5).
  - He bore our iniquity (v 6).
  - He bore this punishment without complaining (v 7).
  - He was buried in a rich man's grave (v 9).
  - He was a perfect sacrifice (v 9).
  - He will receive a rich reward because of His sacrifice (v 12).
- The coming of the Messiah as the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - The unending government will be vested in the prophesied child (9:6-7).
  - The earth and animal kingdom will be at peace (11:6-9)
  - His peaceful kingdom will even include the Gentiles (11:10)
  - The inhabitants of His kingdom will live long lives (65:20).

### **Christ in Isaiah:**

- Isaiah is full of \_\_\_\_\_ about the Messiah.
  - He will come as the sacrifice for sins.
  - He will come again as the King of the world and rule on the throne of David.

### **Overview:**

- Prophecies of \_\_\_\_\_ (1:1-35:10)
  - Southern Kingdom (1:1-12:6)

- Condemnation of foreign nations (13:1-35:10)
  - Babylon and Assyria
  - Philistia
  - Moab
  - Syria and Israel
  - Ethiopia
  - Egypt Edom
  - Arabia
  - Jerusalem
  - Tyre
- Isaiah's interactions with \_\_\_\_\_ (36:1-39:8)
  - The destruction of the Assyrians when they tried to take Jerusalem.
  - Hezekiah's severe illness and miraculous recovery.
  - The Babylonian emissaries who visited Hezekiah after his recovery.
- The prophecies of \_\_\_\_\_ (40:1-66:24)
  - Israel comforted with the promise of a glorious future
  - The "Servant of the LORD" featured as prophecies of the Messiah.
  - Repetition of the theme of God's blessing during the Messianic reign on earth and in heaven.

**Background:**

- Isaiah was sent as a prophet to a people that had forgotten how to \_\_\_\_\_ God with their hearts.

**Application: Let's keep God at the center of our lives so our Christianity doesn't become merely a form of godliness.**