# The Fall of Syria & God's Anger with Israel With Messianic prophecies

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**INTRO:**Isaiah prophesies concerning Syria and Israel and assures Ahaz and all Judah that these nations will not prosper in their campaign against Judah and Jerusalem. Even though Ahaz has devised a plan to align with Assyria, it is God who will protect His remnant of the Southern tribes: Judah and Benjamin. However, his alignment with Assyria will be costly because His faithful ones have trusted in the arm of the flesh. Chapters 1-12 complete the first section of the Prophecy of Isaiah.

## I. Chapter 8: Damascus & Samaria Fall

God will allow the waters of the Euphrates to overflow the quiet streams and pool of Shiloah (a metaphor of Tiglathpilezer, glorious king of Assyria), even Judah will be affected.

#### II. Chapter 9: The Birth & Reign of the Prince of Peace

God promises to send a mighty Deliverer Who will ultimately raise up the Land of Judah and the kingdom of David (see Is 9:1-7 and compare with Mt 4:14-16, Lk 1:76-80, Eph 5:7-13) God is angry with Israel (the Northern Kingdom) vv.8-21

### III. Chapter 10: A Godless Nation (Assyria) is God's Rod of Punishment

God will use Assyria to punish Israel, His people, even though they themselves are wicked and plan destruction and conquering well beyond God's intention. God sometimes uses evil to punish the unfaithful, even though He Himself is not evil.

There will be a remnant preserved and they will return to the land and serve the Lord faithfully.

#### IV. Chapter 11: A Righteous Reign is Promised Under Messiah's Rule

Vv. 1-10 describe the coming of a Righteous King and the peace of the Millennial Kingdom Vv. 11-16 prophesy that a remnant will return. This is much greater than the return under Cyrus when the people of Judah and Jerusalem returned to rebuild the temple and the walls.

# V. Chapter 12: A Doxology to the First 12 Chapters

"I will give thanks to You oh Lord . . .

"Praise the Lord in song, for He has done excellent things;

Cry aloud and shout for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,

For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

**CONC:** Regardless of how things look, God I son the throne. All that He says will come to pass—not one word will return void. God, Who cannot lie, rules the nations and He will save His people Israel and all who are grafted in through salvation; the gentile believers. The enemy of our souls cannot triumphant or be victorious over God's people.