Isaiah – When Your World Is Falling Apart - Discussion Questions - Lesson 3

- 1. Sabbath. Isaiah 7 How do you feel when someone mistakenly blames you for something?
- 2. How do you feel when something or someone you loved was broken or died unexpectantly?
- 3. Danger From the North. 2 Kings 15:19, 37-38, 16:3-9; 2 Chron. 28:2-4, 16; Isaiah 7:1-2. Your cousins join the enemy. Ever have your heart shaken? Ever have severe worry?
- 4. How do you feel when it seems you are being betrayed?
- 5. Ever heard the enemy of my enemy is my friend? Does that apply in this case?
- 6. So, what did Tiglath-pileser III do for Ahaz?
- 7. What did it cost Ahaz?
- 8. When we read about what Ahaz was like, is it understandable why he reacted to danger as he did? Would you too?
- 9. What did Hezekiah do? What do we learn from "bribes"?
- 10. Now add the Prophet Jonah to the mix. What happened?
- 11. Attempted Interception. 2 Chron. 28:5, 19 What was God through Isaiah trying to do?
- 12. When you named your children, did God have anything to do with it?
- 13. What was interesting about the prophecy in Isaiah 7:8-9?
- 14. What two things made God abhor Ahaz?
- 15. What would you do if you lost 120,000 of your bravest soldiers in one day? Imagine the widows and mothers?
- 16. Another Chance. Exod. 17:2; Esther 5:6, 7:2; Deut. 6:16; Mal. 3:10; Mark 6:23 God gave Ahaz another
- chance. What did Ahaz do with that second chance?
- 17. What do we know about the windows of heaven?
- 18. If Ahaz is so corrupt, why is God trying to help Ahaz?
- 19. Why was Ahaz so belligerent? Are we belligerent too?
- 20. Sign of a Son. Deut. 22:20-21; Judg. 6:36–40; Isa. 8:1–4,18, 9:6, 11:1, 10, 55:9, Matt. 1:21–23; 3:17; 1 Cor. 2:9; Gal. 4:4; Rev. 22:16 What was Ahaz to learn from Isaiah's son's names?
- 21. How is the birth of Jesus a sign to stand firm in faith, a sign to rely on God?
- 22. King Ahaz thought he was hiring the Assyrians to protect him. What did the Assyrians end up doing?\
- 23. "God Is With Us" Gen. 32:24–30; Ps. 23:4, Isa. 43:2 Dan. 3:23–25 Acts 7:55; Heb. 1:3 Would you name your child Shear-jashub or Maher-shalal-hash-baz?
- 24. Why did Ahaz take God's money and use it instead of waiting as God wanted him to?
- 25. How do you think the people of Jerusalem felt regarding their relationship with God?
- 26. Did Isaiah and/or Ahaz ever have any idea that a Messiah born to a virgin would come about 700 years later?
- 27. Did either of them think that Isaiah 7:14 was a prophecy of that future birth?