

**FAMILY CAMP**  
**11-16 March 2018**  
**“Walk in the Light of the LORD”**

**EVENING DEVOTIONS**  
**2018**

**Thursday, 15 March**

**Text: Isaiah 7-8**

**Title: “The LORD of hosts, Him you shall hallow”**

1. The Commencement of Ministry for Isaiah Isaiah 7:1-9
  - a) Sent to speak to King Ahaz Isaiah 7:3
  - b) He is to bring his son, Shear Jashub  
(A remnant will return) Isaiah 7:3
  
2. The LORD’s first word to King Ahaz
  - a) Take heed, and be quiet  
Do not fear or be fainthearted Isaiah 7:4-9
  - b) The enemies of Judah
    - i) Syria
    - ii) Israel
  
3. Exercising of faith is Important  
If you will not believe,  
Surely you shall not be established Isaiah 7:10
  
4. The LORD’s second word to King Ahaz Isaiah 7:10-11
  - a) He may ask for a sign from the LORD
  - b) In the depth or in the height above
  
5. King Ahaz’s rejection Isaiah 7:12-13
  - a) Polite words used
  - b) But God saw through his empty words
  
6. The Sign of the Virgin Birth Isaiah 7:14
  - a) The sign of the Messiah
  - b) His name – Immanuel

7. Prophecy Concerning Assyria Isaiah 7:15-25

- a) When would this prophecy come to pass?
  - i) Soon
  - ii) Before the son (Shear Jashub) can know the difference between good and evil Isaiah 7:15
- b) Syrian kingdom destroyed by the Assyrians in 732 BC
- c) Pekah king of Israel was assassinated
  - i) Hoshea became the last king of Israel 2 Kings 16
  - ii) Destruction of Israel (the Northern Kingdom) in 722 BC 2 Kings 17
- d) Assyria will humble King Ahaz 2 Kings 16; Isaiah 7:17-25
  - i) Assyria will come
  - ii) He will be like a hired barber
  - iii) Great hardship will come upon the land

8. God's Word about the Two enemy Kingdoms that worried King Ahaz

- a) Syria Isaiah 8:1-5
- b) Israel Isaiah 8:6-10

9. God's word to Isaiah- Personal Instruction Isaiah 8:11-15

- a) Do not be afraid... nor be troubled
- b) Fear only the LORD
- c) Hallow Him
- d) He will be a sanctuary
- e) A stone of stumbling and a rock of offense
  - i) To unbelieving Israel
  - ii) And unbelieving Judah

10. Isaiah's Wise Response

Isaiah 8:16-19

- a) I will wait on the LORD
- b) I will hope in Him
- c) Here am I and the children whom the LORD  
has given me
- d) We are for signs and wonders from the LORD of hosts  
Who dwells in Mount Zion
- e) Disciples
  - i) Bind up the testimony
  - ii) Seal the law among my disciples

10. God's word concerning the Mediums and Wizards

Rejection of false ways

Isaiah 8:19

- a) The mediums
- b) The wizards
- c) Seeking the dead (necromancy)

11. Obvious reason

There is NO LIGHT in them

Isaiah 8:20

12. If there is pursuit of false ways

Isaiah 8:21-22

- a) The people will suffer
- b) They will be hard-pressed and hungry
- c) They will be enraged
- d) They will curse the king and God
- e) There will be trouble and darkness, gloom and anguish- driven to  
darkness!

## END NOTES

### 1. PROPHECY

- a) Special servants raised
- b) Word of revelation
- c) Relevant
- d) Significant

### 2. GOD SPEAKING TO HIS PEOPLE

- a) To teach
- b) To instruct
- c) To rebuke
- d) To warn
- e) To inspire

### 3. WALKING WITH THE LORD- OLD TESTAMENT

The Concept of Walking with the Lord

- a) The first mention of someone walking with God was Enoch Genesis 5:21-24
- b) Noah was another individual who walked with God Genesis 6:9

These two men who lived in the Antediluvian period were especially noted because they “walked with God.”

### 4. WALKING WITH THE LORD- NEW TESTAMENT

This Concept was also used in the New Testament

- a) The invitation from the Lord Jesus to His disciples to “follow Him” had the following nuances: -
  - i) To walk following after the Lord
  - ii) To walk with Him
- b) This concept was applied by the Apostle Paul in the following ways: -
  - i) Walk in love as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us  
Ephesians 5:2

- ii) Walk as children of light                      Ephesians 5:8
- iii) Walk circumspectly (in wisdom)            Ephesians 5:15

## 5. THEOCRACY

The Interpretation of the period of the Kings (1 and 2 Kings; 1 and 2 Chronicles)

- a) The Doctrine of Theocracy
- b) Theocracy simply means “Rule by God” (Where God is the Ruler/ King)
  - i) It is the LORD who raised up Moses and Aaron            1 Samuel 12:6
  - ii) The LORD and His deeds from Jacob to Samuel            1 Samuel 12:7-11
  - iii) The LORD was your King    1 Samuel 12:12
- c) The response of the people
  - i) Pray for your servants that we may not die
  - ii) We have added to all our sins  
the evil of asking for a king for ourselves    1 Samuel 12:19
- d) Grace and mercy extended
  - i) You have done all this wickedness    1 Samuel 12:20
  - ii) Yet do not turn aside from following the LORD    1 Samuel 12:20
  - iii) But serve the LORD with all your heart    1 Samuel 12:20
  - iv) Only fear the LORD, and serve Him in truth will all your heart;  
for consider what great things He has done for you    1 Samuel 12:24

## 6. THE DAY OF THE LORD

- a) Judgment
- b) Punishment
- c) Justice of the Lord upheld
- d) The LORD will be exalted even in Judgment

## 7. THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN/ KINGDOM OF GOD

## The Kingdom of Heaven that the Lord Jesus proclaimed

- a) It is essentially “Theocracy”
- b) The fulfilment will be in the Millennial Kingdom that will be established when the Lord returns in the Second Coming

## 8. Essentials in the Kingdom of heaven/ Kingdom of God (Not at all different from the Old Testament emphasis)

- a) Recognition of the Lord as King
- b) Following the Lord
- c) Serving Him in truth with all the heart
- d) Fear of the Lord

## 9. Kingdom of Heaven/ God in a nutshell (Cf. The Epistle to the Romans)

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| a) Sin problem answered by the Lord    | Romans 1-3   |
| b) Salvation- By grace through faith   | Romans 4-5   |
| c) Sanctification-                     | Romans 6-7   |
| d) Spirit of God indwells and empowers | Romans 8     |
| e) Serving the Lord appropriately      | Romans 12-16 |